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August 31, 2026

Dear Vendor,

Ref: Bayou Bacchanal 26

Dear Vendors,

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Caribbean Festival/Friends of Culture will be celebrating its 24th annual Caribbean Festival, on Saturday, November 7th, from 12:00 noon to 7:00 p.m. This year we'll be hosting the festival at a new location. Washington Square, 700 Elysian Fields Ave, New Orleans, La 70117. Due to circumstances beyond our control, there will not be a carnival parade this year, but we will be planning for next year in honor of our 25th anniversary.

Be a part of this capstone event.

Vendor Fees are as follows:

Food Vendors-\$500.00

Merchandise- \$400.00

Non-Profit- \$200.00

Rules:

Vendors are not allowed to sell liquor, beer, sodas, or water at the carnival. Friends of Cultures will be the sole vendor selling these items. You are allowed to sell homemade non-alcoholic beverages. All vendors must have a hand wash station set up in their booth. Soap, paper towels, five-gallon bucket as a catch basin, water container with a tap, and gloves for handling food.



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6221 South Claiborne Avenue - Suite 548
New Orleans, LA 70125

BAYOU BACCHANAL: VENDOR

Set up time is from 10:00am to 12:00pm noon. The festival grounds will open at 12:00 noon, no one will be allowed to set up after that time. If you arrive late, your vendor's fee will be forfeited. Break down time is 6:00pm.

Every vendor must have an ABC fire EXTINGUISHER IN THEIR BOOTH FOR THE Fire Marshall to see. (Restaurant style)

Food vendors cannot start fire before the Fire Marshall arrives.

All vendors are responsible for their tables, chairs, electricity, electrical cords, sterno, lighter, (monetary change), helpers, etc.

Please keep your booth area clean. All tents must be certified fireproof. Each booth space will be 10x10. Booth spaces will not be assigned.

Each vendor is responsible to obtain a special event permit at One Stop Shop, located at 1340 Poydras St., 8th floor. Permits are \$50.00, paid to The City of New Orleans. Money Order, checks, or Credit Card are permitted.

Deadline date for vendors' application is Wednesday, September 30th, at 5:00 p.m.

Money Order for application to be written out to "Friends of Culture," 6221 South Claiborne Ave, Suite 548.

All vendors and attendees will hold Caribbean Cultures/ Friends of Culture and the city harmless of any accidents that occur in the park during the festival.

The board of directors look forward to seeing you. Thank you for your continued support.

Sincerely,

Marilyn LaForce, President

BAYOU BACCHANAL: VENDOR

Owner's Name _____

Emergency contact _____

Business Address _____

Phone Number _____

Email Address _____

Describe your booth.

Rules:

All vendors must supply their own tables, chairs, fireproof tents, electrical extension cords, sterno cans, lighter, trash bags, signage, and generator for power source.

You must have a hand wash station. A five-gallon container with a tap/spout, hand wash soap, paper towel, and a five-gallon bucket as a catch basin.

Do not dump oil or grease on park grounds, soil, or flowers. Please have a container to empty all old oil and grease for proper disposal. No dumping of charcoal dust either.

Do not start any fires until the fire marshal arrives.

There must be an ABC fire extinguisher (restaurant type) displayed in every booth. Make sure tag is current.

There will be no smoking allowed on festival grounds.

Vendors are not allowed to sell soft drinks, beverages, water, and/or alcohol. Promoters are the sole vendor of these items.

Vendor space will be 10 X 10. You must obtain a vendor's permit from City Hall for \$50, and it must be displayed in your booth. Rain or shine no refunds.

Set up time 10:00 a.m., (two hours). Break down time is 6:00 p.m. Make sure you have enough change, and please be on time.

BAYOU BACCHANAL: VENDOR

The deadline for payment is Wednesday, September 30, 2026 by 5:00 p.m. Cash or Money Order Only.

We look forward to collaborating with you and thank you for your continued support.

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Date Check Received_____

Authorized Signature_____

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