



THE ELMWOOD AVENUE FESTIVAL of the ARTS

A cultural not for profit corporation

February 1, 2023

Dear food and restaurant vendor,

The Elmwood Avenue Festival of the Arts invites you to apply for a booth in our 24th annual celebration of the Arts in Western New York. If you have participated in the past, we thank you for helping us sustain our vision for 23 years! The Festival takes place August 26th and 27th on Elmwood Avenue between St. James Pl. and West Ferry Ave. in Buffalo. The show hours are 10am to 6pm on Saturday (after hours concert 6-8:30) and 10am to 5pm on Sunday. The estimated attendance in 2022 was 80-100,00 people.

The mission of the Festival is to foster growth in and awareness of Western New York's artistic and cultural treasures and to improve the fabric of our unique urban environment. The Festival is a volunteer run organization dedicated to your success. Please make sure that your applications are in on time. Late applications and payments are a real problem.

The Festival Committee plans on accepting twenty-two food vendors. We are looking for an eclectic mix of menus and would like it to reflect the creativity and skill of the preparers and the community as a whole. We don't want to have an abundance of carnival style foods, ie: sausages, hot dogs, hamburgers, funnel cakes, cotton candy etc. If you plan on applying with these types of foods we encourage you to make your other menu items more unusual.

The deadline for completed applications, with a 50% down payment, is April 1st. Acceptances will be mailed out by May 15th at the latest. If your application is accepted it will be signed by a Festival official, and then become your contract. The Festival will keep rejected applications and the down payment will be returned. If you would like to be put on the waiting list please indicate that on your application. Wait listed vendor down payments will be held, un-cashed, until requested by applicants or until after the Festival.

Please feel free to call us with any questions and thank you for your interest.

Sincerely,

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