

Hampton County Watermelon Festival

HEART OF HAMPTON COUNTY

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Vendors and Artisans:

Welcome to the 82nd annual Hampton County Watermelon Festival! The festival will begin Saturday, June 15 2024, and conclude on Saturday, June 22, 2024. Arts & Crafts will be held Friday and Saturday, June 21 and 22, 2024, on the grounds of the Hampton County Courthouse.

Rules for Arts & Crafts Vendors

- **Applications for Arts & Crafts must be submitted by May 15, 2024.** Upon submission of your application and payment, you will be notified whether your application has been approved. Refunds will be sent to vendors whose applications are denied. Returned checks will incur a \$35.00 processing fee; resubmission of registration and processing fees must be made in the form of a money order. No refunds will be issued after June 1, 2024, for cancellations or no-shows.

- If your application is approved, you may set up begin set up on Thursday, June 20, 2024, from 5:00 to 8:00 pm; set up will resume on Friday, June 21, 2024, from 6:30 to 9:30 am. There will be no Saturday set ups. You will need to be prepared to carry or handcart your merchandise from the unloading area beside the courthouse to your assigned site space. No trailers or vehicles are allowed on the courthouse grounds. After unloading, you must find a parking space away from the Arts & Crafts area.

- The festival reserves the right to assign site spaces to all vendors. We cannot accommodate special requests. For any organization prohibited from having more than one vendor at a festival (i.e., Thirty-One, Lula Roe, etc.), the festival is not responsible for monitoring the number of vendors per organization.

- **VENDORS MUST CHECK-IN BEFORE SETTING UP!**

- Each space is ten feet by ten feet (10'x10'). All tents will need to be anchored with weights; no metal anchors or stakes are permitted on the courthouse grounds due to the irrigation system. All of your wares, equipment, and tie downs must be within the space(s) you rented. You may rent more than once space. Access to one 110-volt receptacle will be provided. Remember to bring lights and a long extension cord (100 to 200 feet is recommended) to reach the power pedestal. The Street Dance will keep potential customers in the area until after midnight Friday.

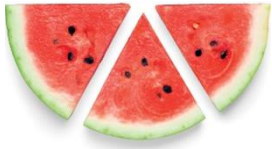
- Each vendor is responsible for the security of their booth, wares, and vehicles. Officers from the Hampton Police Department patrol the area occasionally, but security is ultimately your responsibility.

- The following items are strictly prohibited from sale as awards or prizes: any types of aerosols, silly string, stink bombs, alcohol, fireworks of any type, weapons, knives (except those that are hand made by the exhibitor and approved in advance), toy cap pistols, caps for cap pistols, bows and/or arrows of any type, or any items deemed controversial, tasteless, or offensive by the festival staff. Any vendor selling these items will be shut down by the Hampton Police Department and no refunds will be made.
- No loud music is permitted.

Violations of these rules may result in the removal from the Arts & Crafts show and denial of future participation in the event. These rules will be strictly enforced in the interest of safety and to promote this event as a family festival. No warnings will be issued for any infractions. The festival enjoys the endorsement of the Hampton Town Council and the Hampton Police Department. They support and enforce our festival rules.

We welcome you as a visitor and vendor to the Hampton County Watermelon Festival and trust that we will both enjoy a profitable relationship for years to come!

You may contact the Arts & Crafts committee at sjdeloach@hamptoncountysc.org or (803) 943-8503.



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2024 ARTS & CRAFTS VENDOR APPLICATION

Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Business Tax ID: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Returning Vendor? Yes No Number of Spaces Requested: _____ (each space is 10'x10')

Description of Arts & Crafts to be Sold: _____

Application Deadline is May 15th, 2024

Registration Fee: \$150.00 per space

Payment will be due after your application has been approved. You will be contacted with instructions to pay your registration fee via our online payment portal. Please contact Stephanie DeLoach at sejohnson1012@yahoo.com or at (803) 943-8503.

Return application to:
Stephanie J. DeLoach
201 Rose Lane
Estill, SC 29918

The Festival reserves the right to site all vendors and concessions. Submission of signed application and payment of registration fee certifies that the applicant has read, understands, and will abide by the rules of the festival. You will be notified upon application approval. No refunds will be given after June 1, 2024, for cancellations or no-shows.

Applicant Signature

Date