



## October 28-29, 2023 Food Vendor Application

Our vendors are THE BEST! Because of you, in 2022, we were able to donate \$1,000 to the Gilmer Community Food Bank, \$300 to a local Boy Scout troop, \$300 to Friends of Gilmer Animal Shelter, and \$200 to Ellijay Rocks.

So, here we go again -- planning another great shindig to showcase the first-born art of Appalachia. The mountain music will be better than ever, as will the storytelling, goat pageants, children's activities, and traditional foods. We will again gather in our beautiful Gilmer County River Park along the Coosawattee River, and will again advertise all over Georgia and in Tennessee and North Carolina. We'll be in the peak of fall color, apple pickin' and Ellijay's busiest season.

We continue to keep the vendor fee low, but with a few changes we hope will help us know sooner who will be able to come:

Applications received by June 1 – \$45 for 12x12 tent; \$60 double tent/trailer/food truck; free T shirt;

Applications received June 2 – Aug. 1 – \$60 for 12x12 tent; \$75 for double tent/trailer/food truck;

Applications received Aug. 2 – Oct. 21 deadline – \$75 for 12x12 space, \$90 for double tent/trailer/food truck

We are looking for *traditional mountain foods and those from other cultures that make up the North Georgia family*. We're especially interested in foods like greens or beans with cornbread, fried apple pies or dumplings, fried chicken, biscuits, hamburgers, tacos, turkey legs, roasted corn, peanuts, funnel cakes, cupcakes, etc. Vendors are *asked* to serve some type of breakfast/brunch special Sunday morning during the Gospel Brunch.

We need to know as soon as possible if you plan to join us. Early fee payment will assure you the best space, the most publicity, and a **free T-shirt**. To avoid duplication and provide traditional foods, we need your application as soon as possible and we may ask if you can eliminate some items if you have a conflict. Vendor spaces that are not food trucks must be covered. Fees will be returned (minus \$5) to anyone who is not accepted. Include with your application a photo of your booth or truck or direct us to your website. Digital photos are acceptable with emailed applications. High resolution photos may be used in festival publicity. Electricity is very limited and close to the stage, so please apply early and bring cords if you need them. *Generators are preferred – quiet generators only.*

**Food vendors must have a trash can for customers. A table with four chairs is appreciated.** Signs and displays must be within the paid space, and sales cannot be made away from your booth or truck. We'll provide the music so don't use any electronic players. No animals are allowed in food booths with the exception of certified service dogs with documentation. Smoking is not allowed in or near your space. Passing out political handbills or putting up political signs is not allowed. No individual raffles. Each vendor is responsible for sales tax collection and reporting. You must provide with your application a certificate of insurance listing Dancing Goats FolkFest as additional insured. Security will be provided Friday and Saturday nights, but equipment, signs, etc. must not be left outside your tent or trailer. Dancing Goats is not liable for anything broken or stolen (see agreement below). All vehicles must be parked in designated vendor parking, which is on site.

***Festival hours 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Saturday; 10 a.m. – 6 p.m. Sunday.***

*Important Dates (See application deadlines above)*

June 20	First round of acceptance letters will have been mailed
Aug. 20	Second round will have been mailed
Oct. 27	Vendor packet pickup & booth set-up <b>4-8 p.m.</b>
Oct. 28	Vendor packet pickup 7-9 a.m.; set-up complete by 9:45 a.m.,
Oct. 29	Tear down complete by 8 p.m.

**Food Vendor Application – Please keep a copy**

Applicant Name \_\_\_\_\_

Name for brochures & booth signage if different: \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_

State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone number \_\_\_\_\_ Website \_\_\_\_\_

Your COMPLETE menu \_\_\_\_\_

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Other festivals you have participated in: \_\_\_\_\_

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Number of images enclosed or emailed \_\_\_\_\_ Proof of insurance enclosed (check) \_\_\_\_\_

Fee enclosed:	By June 1	Single Space \$45 _____	Double/Truck \$60 _____
	By Aug. 1	Single Space \$60 _____	Double /Truck\$75 _____
	By Oct. 1	Space Single \$75 _____	Double/Truck \$90 _____

Check T-shirt size(s) for vendor registration by June 1, Free      S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ 2X \_\_\_\_\_ 3X \_\_\_\_\_

Check T-shirt size for vendor registration after June 1, \$13      S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ 2X \_\_\_\_\_ 3X \_\_\_\_\_

Check T-shirt size for 2<sup>nd</sup> family member vendor \$13      S \_\_\_\_\_ M \_\_\_\_\_ L \_\_\_\_\_ XL \_\_\_\_\_ 2X \_\_\_\_\_ 3X \_\_\_\_\_

Vendors can purchase up to two other shirts on site for \$13 ea.; one poster at 20% off

Total Vendor Fee \$ \_\_\_\_\_ + T shirts Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_ = Amount Enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_ Online application and fee payment should be ready by April 15 at [www.dancinggoatsfolkfest.com](http://www.dancinggoatsfolkfest.com). Fees will be returned (minus \$5) if your application is not accepted. Make checks payable to Dancing Goats FolkFest; mail to same c/o Mona Lowe, 754 McCutchen St., Ellijay, GA 30540. For more information, text or leave a message for Mona at 478.718.6596. Check if you need power \_\_\_\_\_ for \_\_\_\_\_. Bringing a quiet generator? \_\_\_\_\_.

*With this application, I agree to participate the entirety of both days and abide by all rules and guidelines in this application. If I am selected to be a vendor at Dancing Goats FolkFest, I agree to release, hold harmless and indemnify the Dancing Goats FolkFest Board, North Georgia Folkways, Gilmer County, their boards and employees, all sponsors, and all volunteers from any responsibility, personal liability, loss or damage in connection with the festival. By signature below I confirm that I have read and understand all rules and regulations set forth above and that I will comply with all rules and regulations.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Special needs/suggestions: \_\_\_\_\_