INTRODUCTION
Consistently recognized as New Orleans’ best arts market in the city by Gambit Weekly’s reader polls, the Arts Market New Orleans is the region’s largest juried monthly fine arts and crafts market. Celebrating 15 years, the market has provided local artists with a consistent platform to showcase artworks, test new products, and refine their craft to attract new consumers and increase sales. It continues to prove a valuable platform for artists to launch their careers and make a living. Arts Market New Orleans is a program of the Arts Council of New Orleans, dba Arts New Orleans.
This open-air market gives patrons an opportunity to support local visual artists. All exhibited artwork is handmade and created by a rotating cast of 300 juried regional artists.

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**OVERVIEW**
Arts New Orleans produces Arts Markets across the city, including

**Arts Market at City Park** – held the second Saturday of every month.

**Arts Market at Marsalis Harmony Park** – held on the last Saturday of every month, except the December market, which occurs in advance of Christmas.

**LUNA Fête Arts Market** – held December 15 – 18, 2022 at the New Orleans Ernest N. Morial Convention Center in December.

Markets are held in City Park on the second Saturday of every month and in Marsalis Harmony Park on the last Saturday of every month. Holiday Two-Day Markets begin in November and take place both Saturday and Sunday. The December Arts Market in Marsalis Harmony Park is held Saturday and Sunday before Christmas. Arts Markets are also a part of the Arts New Orleans’ LUNA Fête, held for four days at the Pedestrian Park on the Ernest N. Morial Convention Center on December 15 – 18, 2022. **Holiday markets are in red.**

### 2022 MARKET DATES

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Arts Market New Orleans is a juried art, craft, and other creative entity festival. For exhibitors either debuting at the market or exhibitors who have not shown at the Arts Market for 12 months or more, a First Time Application must be submitted to the Arts Market manager. For the artist’s work to be considered for the Arts Market, the artist must submit the following:

- Completed First Time Application – *Incomplete applications will automatically be rejected*
- Five digital images of artwork (the 5th image can be a booth or display image, if applicable) – submitted via the application
- $20.00 Non-refundable Application Fee – *Applications are submitted through* [Submittable](#). The jury consists of the Arts Market Manager, Arts New Orleans staff & board members, and Arts Market artists.

**MARKET EXPECTATIONS**

**ARTS MARKET PARTICIPATION FEES**

Arts Market New Orleans participation fees vary depending on the time of year and type of market. Arts Market artists who participate monthly are encouraged to become an Arts Council Member to receive the perk of discounted Arts Market fees year-round. The cost of membership for Arts Council is $120 for the year or $10 per month. You can join by clicking this [Arts Council Membership Link](#).

| Normal Markets | January, February, March, April, May, September, October | Member $75/ Nonmember $100 |
| Summer Markets | June, July, August | Member $65/ Nonmember $90 |
| Holiday Markets | November, December | Single Day- Member $100/ Nonmember $125 Whole Weekend- Member $200/ Nonmember $250 |
| LUNA Fête Market | December | Four-Day Only- $375/ Nonmember $425 |
GENERAL REQUIREMENTS TO SHOW

WHITE TENTS
Participating artists MUST have a WHITE tent 10x10' with a top in size with a standard flame-resistant certificate. Artists must use their tent, including its top, at all shows.

All tents must be weighted to the ground for the safety of Arts market patrons and other vendors. We recommend that artists use sandbags as weights. IMPORTANT NOTE:

Tents CAN NOT be staked in City Park

LICENSES
All artists must secure an Occupation License for Special Events from the City of New Orleans before participating in an Arts Market. Occupational licenses for special events are $50.00 and are good for a full fiscal year. These licenses expire on December 31 regardless of the date of purchase. At the beginning of the year, the Arts Market Manager will send out an updated Letter of Good Standing. Letters of Good Standing will also be provided to artists as they are accepted during the year. In some instances, the $50.00 fee is waived for Louisiana residents who make and sell handmade, original artwork. If you would like to try and have the fee waived bring a sample of your work with you to City Hall.

What you’ll need to bring to the Revenue Office (Room 1W15) in City Hall, 1300 Perdido Street, New Orleans, LA

- $50.00 (money order or personal checks are accepted)
- A letter from the Arts Market Manager confirming you are an Arts Market artist in good standing
- A copy of your old occupational license if you are renewing
- Sales report from the previous year

Website for more information: https://www.nola.gov/onestop/business/occupational-general-business/occupational-general-business-license/

NEW ARTIST CHECKLIST- WHAT TO BRING TO EVERY MARKET:

- Water
- Way to take payment – Square Terminal, Phone with Square, etc.
- Food/snacks
- Hand truck or Dolly
- Display cases and tables for your booth
- Appropriate clothing, possibly a hat and layered clothing
- 10 x 10 white tent & weights for tents - walls STRONGLY recommended - License
- Weights for Tent, at least 25 lbs. per leg (no staking allowed in City Park) - Sunscreen- even on cold days!
- And of course, Artwork!

MARKETING
Participating Artist grants to the Arts Council and its assigns an irrevocable license to make two-dimensional reproductions of the Artist Exhibitor Work for non-commercial purposes, including but not limited to reproductions used in advertising, brochures, media publicity, and catalogs or other similar publications, provided that these rights are exercised in a professional manner.
Arts New Orleans takes out a Gambit ad for each art market. The Gambit ad will be sent to the artists prior to each market for use on their own platforms.

Social Media
All artists should tag Arts Market New Orleans in all of their social posts and include the following hashtags.
Instagram: @artsmarketneworleans & @artsneworleans & @neworleanscitypark (at City Park only)
Facebook: @artsmarketneworleans
Hashtags to use: #artsmarketneworleans #artsneworleans and #iheartcitypark (City Park only)

TENT ASSIGNMENTS
We are pleased to have new and established artists participating at markets. Tents are randomly assigned by Arts Council staff. Efforts are made to have a diverse range of artists throughout the market. **Final monthly booth assignments will be emailed 3 pm on the Friday before each market.** It is the vendor’s responsibility to confirm that they are or are not listed for each month and to notify the Arts market staff if there is a mistake. Tent locations will rotate every month to ensure a unique experience for patrons at every market.

SET UP
Set-up occurs on the Day of the Market only. Exhibitors’ setup begins at 6:30 AM on the day of the Market. All exhibitor booths must be completely set up by 9:30 am on Market day. **Security arrives at 6:30 AM. Important: Please do not block the breaks in the curb at the street corners, that is the only access for carts and wagons to easily maneuver the curbs at Marsalis Harmony Park.**

The perimeter of the park is a load-in zone only during setup. Vendors cannot meander and unload their cars before continuing to set up. Cars MUST be moved to the appropriate parking area after unloading and before setup can occur. For setup, please note that cars **cannot** park on the lawn in City Park or Marsalis Harmony Park.

TAKEDOWN
The Arts Market ends at 4 pm. Takedown and load-out begin at 4:00 pm on the market day. All vendors MUST be completed with Take Down by 6:30 pm on the Market day. **Security leaves at 6:30 pm.**

The perimeter of the park, including Carrollton Avenue, is a load-out zone only during takedown. Vendors must break down completely before retrieving their cars to the loadout area.

ARTS MARKET TIMELINE (for most markets)
The artist registration closes on Wednesday at 11:59 PM before the market. You will receive the market layout, indicating artist tent locations, on Friday afternoon before the market. **Market Day:**
6:30 am - You may begin setting up as early as 6:30 am (Security arrives at 6:30 am.)
7:30 am – Market Manager arrives
9:30 am – All tents must be set up and artwork displays ready, pre-market sales are encouraged *
10:00 am – Market opens to the public
4:00 pm – Market closes and break down may begin at 4:00 pm
6:30 pm – All vendors must have left the park (Security leaves at 6:30 pm.)

*Setup is at 9:30. If an emergency occurs, please contact India Mack at (504) 434-0390.

**ARTWORK SOLD IN CULTURAL DISTRICTS ARE EXEMPT FROM CITY SALES TAXES**
City Park and Marsalis Harmony Park have been designated as Cultural Districts by the State of Louisiana. A “Cultural District” is a district designated by a Local Governing Authority for the purpose of revitalizing a community by creating a hub of cultural activities, by offering communities opportunities to create or rebuild cultural destinations. Customers **do not** have to pay City sales tax on “hand-crafted, original artwork.” However, you are responsible for reporting your sales to the City of New Orleans and the state of Louisiana, even if no sales were made.

**CITY PARK**
EXAMPLE MAP
PARKING - CITY PARK
Parking is loading-zone only around the immediate perimeter of the Great Lawn. Artists may park their vehicles in the parking lots surrounding the Great Lawn. This includes the City Putt and Police Station parking lots.

RESTROOMS – CITY PARK
Restrooms can be found in Cafe Du Monde (open at 7 AM) and the Botanical Gardens (open at 10 AM).

MARSALIS HARMONY PARK
EXAMPLE MAP

PARKING – Marsalis Harmony Park
Parking is loading-zone only around the immediate perimeter of Marsalis Harmony Park on Market Days for all participating vendors. Upon arrival, all vendors should plan to briefly park, unload, re-park in legal zones, and then set up their space to allow loading-zone access for other vendors. We recommend all vendors park 2-3 blocks away from the park for easy customer parking. There are “no parking” signs along S. Carrolton Avenue as well as Sycamore & Dublin Streets. The city will issue tickets and the Arts Council cannot be held liable. The perimeter of the park, including Carrollton Avenue, is a load-out zone only during takedown. Vendors must break down completely before retrieving their cars to the loadout area. As of 4:00 pm artists are allowed to retrieve their cars and load them out on the perimeter (please use hazard lights). Artists who park along the perimeter of the park before 4:00 pm may result in exhibitors losing the opportunity to participate in future markets.
Parking on the streets that border Marsalis Harmony Park should be left for patrons who visit the Arts Markets. Other than load-in and load-out, participating artists are not allowed to park along the borders of Marsalis Harmony Park.

Violation of parking policies will result in first, a written warning from Arts Market staff, at second violation the vendor will be prohibited from participating in the next three Markets (if booth fees were paid in advance, these fees are forfeit.)

RESTROOMS – Marsalis Harmony Park
Arts New Orleans provides portable toilets on Dublin Street for all Marsalis Harmony Arts Markets. Public restrooms can also be found at Robert’s Market on S. Claiborne.

POLICIES
RAIN POLICY/CANCELLATION/NO-SHOW POLICIES
New Orleans often has mild showers. Weather projections often change hourly. In the case of projected storms, projected all-day rain, or strong winds above 30 mph, Arts Council staff may decide to cancel the market on the Thursday prior to the scheduled date due to inclement weather. The Arts Council has a part-time staff member who handles Arts Markets. Thus, if the Arts Council cancels an Arts Market, artists will be given a 50% credit to be used for one of the next two market dates. If the credit is not used for one of the following two markets, it will be forfeited.

In the instance of inclement weather projected early Friday morning for Saturday:
The Arts Market Manager will send a link to the Rain or Wind Survey on Friday morning by 8:30 am to ask participating artists if the market should be moved from Saturday to the immediate Sunday.
Participating artists must vote by 10 am as to whether the Arts Market should be moved to the immediate Sunday. The majority vote will make the decision. Please keep in mind that artists have tents and are used to having markets where there is a rain shower, and weather projections often change. Markets should only be moved to the immediate Sunday only when all-day rain or lightning storms are projected. Canceled markets are scheduled for the immediate Sunday. Holiday Markets do not apply.

If markets are moved due to weather, artists are encouraged to participate on Sundays. If artists originally signed up to participate on Saturday are not available to participate on Sunday, those artists will be a 50% credit policy to be used within the next two markets.

If the market date changes from Saturday to Sunday, the Arts Council will give artists not originally signed up for the market the opportunity to sign up on Friday from 10:30 am – 3:30 pm.

The Arts Council has a part-time employee who manages Arts Markets. If Arts Markets do not happen on Saturday or Sunday due to inclement weather in which a Rain or Wind Survey was sent, artists will forfeit payments.

POLICIES FOR HOLIDAY MARKETS HELD IN NOVEMBER AND DECEMBER
If either or both days of holiday markets are canceled due to inclement weather, no refunds or credits shall be given. No refunds are given for LUNA Fete Markets.
PERSONAL CANCELATIONS
Personal cancelations must be emailed to India Mack at artsmarket@artsneworleans.org no later than the Wednesday, at 5 pm, preceding a Market. The said artist would then be able to use funds for the next market. Artists who contact the Arts Market Manager after Wednesday or are no-shows forfeit their booth fees.

ARTWORK SPECIFICATIONS
Art displayed at the Market must be at least 80% handmade by the artist. No machine-made molds or mass-produced work is permitted. Artists may sell prints, but no mass-produced posters are permitted. Any new works, different from the medium of the work specified on the artist's first application must be reviewed and approved by the Arts Market manager and jury committee. All merchandise to be sold on a guaranteed as represented, money-back basis.

Relatives (spouses, siblings, children, etc.) of art exhibitors are allowed to sell on behalf of Market artists but must be pre-approved by the Arts Market manager. This rule also applies to Arts Market New Orleans held in City Park.

The Market reserves the right to request an exhibitor to remove any item(s) from their display. Failure to remove such items after being asked by Market staff may result in the exhibitor losing the opportunity to participate in future markets.

The Market reserves the right to reject any contract for exhibit space and reject any exhibitor. All exhibitors are responsible for the collection of City and State Sales Tax. The Arts Market will not collect or pay any taxes.

ARTIST EXPECTATIONS
All exhibitors agree to treat their fellow artists, vendors, and staff with courtesy and respect. Verbal or physical abuse of any artists, vendors, customers, market volunteers, or Arts New Orleans staff will not be tolerated and may result in the exhibitor losing the opportunity to participate in future markets. Artists must refrain from smoking, drinking, burning incense, playing music, using generators, and overall disrupting the peace of the market.

The exhibitor agrees to take care of the grounds, clean up their area, and remove all trash at the end of the day. Failure to clean up trash may result in exhibitors losing the opportunity to participate in future markets.

All participating exhibitors agree to WAIVE, DISCHARGE CLAIMS, AND RELEASE FROM LIABILITY the Arts Council of New Orleans, its officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders from any and all liability on account of, or in any way resulting from Injuries and Damages, even if caused by the negligence of the Arts Council of New Orleans' officers, directors, employees, agents, and leaders, in any way connected with the Art Market.

The rules are subject to periodic change and revision as necessary. Upon exhibiting at the Arts Market New Orleans, artists accept all policies outlined within the Art Market New Orleans Handbook.
We understand emergencies are possible while traveling to the market, if you anticipate not arriving before 9:30 AM, please notify the Arts Market Manager (India Mack- (504) 434-0390). If tardiness becomes consistent over more than 3 markets, a formal warning and market suspension will occur.

Violation of any part of the Rules and Information will result in an email warning from Arts Market staff. If there is a second violation, the vendor will be prohibited from participating in the next three Markets (if booth fees were paid in advance, these fees are forfeit).

By participating in the Arts Market, artists agree that they have read and will abide by all rules and regulations stated in this handbook.