

# Venice Blues Festival

March 22<sup>nd</sup> & 23<sup>rd</sup> 2024

Vendor Guidelines

Merchants

**IMPORTANT:** Please read this area completely – Your signature on the Vendor Application states that you agree to exhibit under and in compliance with all of the attached information. **(All applications subject to Approval)**

**1. Waste Removal:** it is the responsibility of each vendor to keep the booth and the surrounding area clean. Vendors must provide their own garbage receptacles and garbage bags. Vendors failing to abide by waste disposal guidelines will jeopardize their participation in future events.

**2. Electricity:** Electricity will not be provided for you. Should you require electricity, you will need to provide it at your location via generators. You can purchase 110v for \$50 for the duration of the event.

**3. Beverage Sales:** Vendors will not be able to sell alcoholic beverages at the event. Non-alcoholic beverages such as soda and water will be not be permitted.

**4. Event Day Set Up: Vendor Check-in** will be on **Friday**, March 22<sup>nd</sup>, at 8-10am. **Saturday**, March 23<sup>rd</sup>, 8:30am – 9:30am **Vehicles:** No vehicles will be allowed on festival grounds prior to 8am on Friday and 8:30am Saturday.

Vendors who require restocking of supplies may re-enter the festival with a dolly.

**Business Hours:** Vendors must be ready for business by 3:30pm on Friday, 10am on Saturday **Tear Down** may not begin until 10pm on Saturday.

**5. Only Items** listed in your vendor application and approved by the festival may be sold

**6. Florida Sales Tax:** All vendors selling merchandise should already have your Florida Sales Tax License. It is the vendor's responsibility to contact the Florida Department of Revenue to obtain proper forms and information. You can also download the forms and information from [www.myflorida.org](http://www.myflorida.org)

**7. Festival Guidelines** will be strictly monitored. If violations occur, a warning will be issued. Additional violations will result in removal from the Festival site by Security and/or Police fees will be forfeited.

**9. Acts of God:** The festival producers, promoters, sponsors, staff/employees, volunteers, etc. are in no way responsible or liable for personal adversity or acts of God.

**10. Refunds:** Space refunds *will not be issued for any reason* for cancellations made 10 days prior to event.

**11. Payment for vending spaces:** If base payment is not received by the due date – your

space will be released, and monies forfeited. There is a \$50.00 charge for any returned checks.

**12. Insurance:** All vendors must be insured and provide a copy of their insurance at the time of signing this application. Insurance must be valid for the duration of the event.

**Venice Blues Festival reserves the right to accept or reject any vendor space application. No fundraising activities will be allowed without express written consent of event management.**

**Indemnity Clause: MAKE SURE YOU READ**

**\*\*\*Your signature on this application means you agree to all of the following:**

All sponsors agree that except as otherwise provided herein, Venice Blues Festival, Sarasota County Parks and Recreation and/or the City of Venice shall have no liability for any damage to or loss of property brought to the Venice Blues Festival by Sponsor or to persons injured due to the negligence or otherwise of the Sponsor during the course of their activities with the Venice Blues Festival. Sponsor waives, releases, and shall indemnify and hold harmless Venice Blues Festival, Sarasota County Parks and Recreation and/or the City of Venice and its officers, employees from all liabilities, and the cost and expense of defending all claims of liability, for any loss from theft or otherwise, or damage to property brought to Venice Blues Festival by any person admitted by sponsors, or loss or damage to property of others that is the result of wrongful or negligent acts of the Sponsor, its officers, agents, independent third party contractors contracted by the sponsor, and employees.

**Friday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> & March 23<sup>rd</sup>**

Each Space is 10 x 10. **\*All tents must be properly weighed for safety**

Merchandise Vendor Base Cost per space -\$350/ no electric

Electric (limited) each additional line \$400

**\*\*\*Please contact Venice Blues Festival if you wish to rent space for only one day.**

**Checks payable to: Venice Blues Festival, C/O Kimberly Duke 14537 Eagle Branch Dr. Nokomis FL 34285**

**Credit cards: Will be invoiced by PayPal. Vendors email: \_\_\_\_\_**