Murphys Gold Rush Main Street Faire

Saturday October 1, 2016

10am to 6pm

Show Terms * Conditions * Rules * Regulations * General Information

Historic downtown Murphys will close its Main Street for the 26th Annual Gold Rush Street Faire. The charm of this unique Gold Rush town will lend itself as a perfect backdrop to a festive, colorful, and successful Faire. Murphys is a small Sierra foothill town located in Calaveras County on Highway 4 between Angels Camp and Arnold.

Although we are a small community, every event we have here draws crowds from as far away as the San Francisco Bay Area, Reno, and the length of the San Joaquin Valley. We have extensive advertising and press releases in cooperation with the Calaveras Winegrape Alliance Grape Stomp competition. The fun of the Grape Stomp keeps people in town all day. Attendance in Murphys during these festivities averages around 8000.

Separated arts and crafts and antique/collectible booths line Main Street on both sides. The "floor" of your booth will be dirt and/or asphalt. It will be necessary for you to bring bricks or something to level your displays. While the street has some shade trees, you will want to provide additional shade, water, and your own seating.

ANTIQUE BOOTHS are restricted to antiques and collectibles, NO flea market items will be accepted.

ARTS AND CRAFTS exhibitors <u>must produce their own handcrafted items</u>. NO factory-produced items simply assembled are considered handmade. NO resale items, NO representatives, NO imports. We are looking for high quality artist made items. There is a limit to how many booths of each category we will accept. Please get your application back as soon as possible.

FOOD BOOTHS. Food booths are limited to non-profit community groups only.

PHOTOS of your display and merchandise are required. Three or four representative photos should be sufficient. Please put your name and address on the back of photos. If you are accepted, you will be notified within a few weeks of applying. Photos will be returned in September with your booth space number and set-up instructions. Decision of the committee will be final. **We reserve the right to refuse acceptance to this Faire without cause.**

FAIRE HOURS AND SET-UP. Main Street set-up will begin at 6:30am and 7:30am (depending on what side of the street your booth is on) on Saturday, October 1st. All exhibitors' vehicles must be off the street by 9am and parked in vendor parking areas. Please abide by the "No Parking" signs on narrow side streets. The Faire will be open from 10am until 6pm. You should have all of your merchandise and vehicles removed from the street by 7:30pm when traffic will again have access to Main Street.

The Murphys Hotel side of the street will set up at 6:30am this year.

BOOTH SPACE. There will be approximately 120 spaces available this year. Spaces will be 12 feet wide and 10 feet deep. Again, Main Street is not level, please bring your own leveling devices. It is expected that all display areas will be kept neat and tidy. Cardboard boxes must be

out of sight and cannot be used for display. Booths are expected to be attractive and appropriate. No blocking the sidewalks.

ELECTRICITY will be available in a <u>limited</u> number of spaces from nearby Murphys merchants. Please bring at least 50' of heavy duty extension cord with adaptor if electricity is required. A power strip is also encouraged. Please be sure to note your need for electricity and include the additional \$10 charge.

WEATHER. Local October weather is generally warm and sunny. Rain and chill has happened at this time of year but it is not normally expected.

SALES TAX. Each exhibitor is responsible for sales tax when applicable, and your current, valid resale number must appear on the application and be displayed in your booth.

FOOD VENDORS must follow all county guidelines and keep a current permit with the county. EXPECT TO BE INSPECTED. This is a quick and simple process with all info provided with the permit.

BOOTH ASSIGNMENTS AND SPACE REQUESTS. While we try to accommodate booth location requests, we must also consider other exhibitors and Main Street merchants. Every effort will be made to honor requests. Please state space requests on your application. Please be aware that we alternate the set-up time each year so that a particular space you want may or may not be at the set-up time you want. The Hotel side will set up at 7:30am this year.

CANCELLATIONS are permitted without penalty up to one month prior to the event. After September 1st, booth fee refunds are subject to a \$25 penalty and after September 23rd they are non-refundable.

INSURANCE. The exhibitor is responsible for her or his own insurance at exhibitor's cost and expense. The sponsors assume no risk. By participating, exhibitors expressly release the Faire sponsors from any and all liability for any damage, injury, or loss of any person or goods which may arise from the rental and occupation of Faire space by the exhibitor, and agrees to hold the Faire harmless of any loss by reason thereof.

PROCEEDS. All booth fees collected from this Faire will go toward maintaining Feeney Park in Murphys. This is a multi-use facility for sports, arts, and community events.

Questions? Email <u>murphysgoldrushstreetfaire@yahoo.com</u> or call the vendor coordinator, Chloe, at (209)728-8581

Mail your application, photos, check, and Self Addressed Stamped Envelope as soon as possible to be sure of a space.

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Please make your check payable to Feeney Park. Consider appropriate postage on your SASE. Your photos and set-up instructions will be mailed to you in September.