

COVINGTON HERITAGE FOUNDATION 419 N. New Hampshire Street Covington, Louisiana 70433 985.892.1873 www.covingtonheritagefoundation.com

Thank you for your interest in the Covington Antiques and Uniques Festival on September 5 & 6, 2020 in downtown Covington, Louisiana. Now in its 6th year, the juried event will feature antique and vintage collectibles, vintage-inspired fine crafts, music, food, and possibly an appraisal fair. While the majority of booths will occupy the green space and streets surrounding the Tammany Trace Trailhead and Cultural Center, this year the on-site museum and our Firehouse Event Center will be available for indoor booths, offered on a first-come, first-served basis to vendors of fine and fragile antiques.

To offer the most variety and best possible show to the buying public, applications will be juried, and only those applicants who receive an INVITATION will be allowed to exhibit. Our comprehensive media plan targets the Gulf South region, focusing on Louisiana, south Texas, Mississippi, Alabama and the Florida panhandle. Advertisements to attract shoppers will be featured in local and regional print and web-based media, trade publications, radio and outdoor signage. If you are looking to tap into a new market in a safe, attractive venue that is both vibrant and welcoming with a hefty dose of small-town charm, we invite you to apply!

Interested vendors are asked to complete the enclosed application and mail it promptly to: Covington Heritage Foundation, 419 N. New Hampshire Street, Covington, LA.

For more information, call (985) 892-1873. You may also send an email to afaucheux@covla.com or visit www.covingtonheritagefoundation.com.



FESTIVAL RULES & AGREEMENT FORM

COVINGTON ANTIQUES AND UNIQUES FESTIVAL
Downtown Covington
Saturday, September 5 and
Sunday, September 6, 2020
10 am – 5 pm

SELECTION PROCESS: The festival is juried for quality, and to ensure that no one category of merchandise outweighs any other. Prospective vendors must attach to their applications at least three (3) photographs of their booths or merchandise. Photographs should be labeled with the vendor's name and address, and will become the property of the Covington Heritage Antiques and Uniques Festival. After applications are reviewed, only selected vendors will be invited to participate. Remaining applicants will be added to a waitlist and contacted in the event of a cancellation.

TYPE OF MERCHANDISE: Exhibits shall be limited to merchandise that is old, collectible and suitable to the character of an antique show. Crafts must be in keeping with an antique or vintage theme. During the vetting process, a festival representative may contact you with questions about your exhibit to ensure that the character of the event is maintained.

APPLICATION DEADLINE is <u>Friday</u>, <u>August 5</u>, <u>2020</u>. Since the festival is juried, only those vendors who receive an INVITATION can participate. Invitees are strongly encouraged to accept or decline their invitations as soon as possible, as promptness will be a factor considered in future festivals. Once we have received your RSVP and payment, you will be mailed a confirmation packet that will include helpful information to make your stay in Covington a pleasant one. This will include registration and parking details, as well as a special hotel group rate.

BOOTH OPTIONS: Three booth options are available. All are located in the heart of downtown Covington. <u>Outdoor</u> booths are located near the Covington Trailhead on New Hampshire and Lockwood Streets. They are 10' x 10' each, and vendors must furnish their own tents. <u>Depot</u> booths are outdoors, underneath a breezeway at the Covington Trailhead, 419 N. New Hampshire Street. Booth size is 10' x 14', and tents are not required. A limited number of <u>Indoor</u> booths are also available in 10' x 10' parcels. First priority for indoor booths will be given to vendors of fine and fragile antiques that require a climate-controlled space.

BOOTH FEES: Cost to rent one <u>Outdoor</u> booth for the two-day festival is \$100, and \$75 for each additional booth. Corner booths are an extra \$25. A limited number of outdoor display areas that are too small for a tent, but large enough to hold a table and 2 chairs, are \$60 apiece. **Depot** booths are \$175. **Indoor** booths are \$225.

<u>Payment deadline is Friday, August 19, 2020.</u> A \$25 penalty will be applied to late payments. After August 26, your reserved space will be offered to a waitlisted vendor.

- <u>Outdoor</u> vendors must furnish their own tents, shelving, rain coverings and other necessities. Weights to anchor tents are recommended. No nails or stakes can be placed in the street. <u>Indoor</u> and <u>Depot</u> exhibitors do not need tents or rain coverings. For an additional \$12, vendors may rent one 8' table and two folding chairs for the weekend.
- Exhibitors bear all responsibility for setup, takedown, and general protection of their booths and contents. To provide security, a police detail will patrol the outdoor festival area on Friday and Saturday nights.
- Electricity is offered on a limited basis for an additional \$25. Generators are not allowed.
- Exhibitors must confine their displays and activities to their assigned spaces, and are not allowed to exchange or swap booths
- Booths must be staffed and ready by 9 am Saturday and Sunday. Booths must remain staffed for the full two days of the festival during festival hours.
- Though April weather is usually pleasant, vendors must come prepared for the possibility of inclement weather such as rain and strong wind.
- No vendors shall play music. The festival will feature live musical entertainment.
- Booth ID signs issued by the festival must be displayed as directed. The signs must be returned at the close of the festival.

METHOD OF PAYMENT: Remit fees in the form of a check or money order payable to the Covington Heritage Foundation. <u>Cash payments will not be accepted.</u> Mail payment and signed Vendor Agreement to: *Covington Heritage Foundation, 419 N. New Hampshire St., Covington, LA 70433.*

REGISTRATION AND SETUP will be from noon to 8 pm Friday and 6-8 am Saturday. Vendors must present a photo ID when registering, and promptly move their vehicles to the designated parking area after setup. All exhibits must be ready, and vehicles off the street by 9 am Saturday morning. The area around booths, including sidewalks, must remain clear of any trash, boxes, etc. during the entire festival. Dumpsters will be accessible to keep the areas tidy.

VENDOR PERMIT: The City is required by law to issue a temporary vendor permit to all exhibitors. The \$10 permit fee is covered by the booth fee, so no additional payment is necessary.

SALES TAX: Since exhibitors will retain 100% of their sales proceeds, they are responsible paying a 4.25% St. Tammany Parish sales tax and a 4.45% Louisiana state sales tax. Tax forms will be in the registration packet.

SECURITY: The City will provide police security in the festival area on Friday and Saturday nights.

TAKEDOWN starts at 5 pm on Sunday, and must be completed by 7 pm. Packing up merchandise is permissible starting at 4:30 pm. Vendors who take down their booths or leave before 5 pm Sunday will not be invited back. Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up all trash in and around their areas and disposing of it in dumpsters before leaving the festival.

HOSPITALITY: A hospitality and information table for exhibitors will be at the Covington Trailhead, with complimentary coffee and water. Festival volunteers will be available to provide a limited amount of assistance such as booth-sitting, to provide a short break for vendors who are attending the festival alone.

CANCELLATION, LATE FEE & FORFEITURE: There will be no refunds due to inclement weather, and no rain dates. A \$25 late fee will be assessed to vendors who do not pay their fee by August 9. Booths that are unpaid after August 26 will be forfeited and reissued to another vendor on the waitlist. All cancellation requests must be submitted in writing, and a \$25 administrative fee will be assessed. Refunds will be made within 30 days of receipt of written cancellation notice. No refunds will be made for cancellations after August 26.

EVALUATION: We ask that you complete an evaluation form included in the registration packet. Volunteers will collect the forms on Sunday between 2-5 pm.

MISCELLANEOUS: High-pressure sales tactics, including shouting or "barking" in an attempt to attract customers, are not allowed. Minor children must be closely supervised.

INSURANCE: Neither the Covington Heritage Foundation nor the City of Covington provide insurance for exhibitors. Property and liability insurance must be provided and paid for by the exhibitor.

HOLD HARMLESS: The City of Covington and Covington Heritage Foundation shall not be responsible for any loss or injury to any and all vendors, vendor employees, family and friends, or to the property of vendors, vendor employees, family and friends, due to any cause whatsoever.

The Covington Heritage Foundation reserves the right, at any time, to adopt, orally and in writing, any additional rules or to make any changes deemed necessary and good for the welfare of the festival. Additional rules will have the same force of authority as though fully incorporated into this document, and shall apply to all exhibitors and participants in the festival. Participants must comply with all festival rules as well as city, state and federal laws. Failure to comply may result in the removal of an exhibitor with no refund, and will jeopardize participation in future festivals. Actions taken by the festival in response to an exhibitor's failure to comply are within the complete discretion of the festival. The Covington Heritage Foundation reserves the right to require the withdrawal of any item from display or sale for any reason whatsoever.



Signature

VENDOR APPLICATION

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Historic Downtown Covington
Saturday, September 5 and
Sunday, September 6, 2020
10 am – 5 pm

ADMITTANCE IS BY INVITATION ONLY

PLEASE PRINT	LEGIBLY:			
BUSINESS NAM	E			
OWNER NAME				
EMAIL	WEBSITE	WEBSITE OR FACEBOOK		
ADDRESS				
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Quantity	Display Type Depot Booth 10'x14' (select second choice if not available)	Unit Cost \$175	Total	
	Outdoor Booth 10'x10'	\$173 \$100		
	Additional Outdoor Booth	\$75		
	Additional Fee for Outdoor Corner Booth	\$25		
	Indoor Booth 10'x10'	\$225		
	Mini Outdoor Display Space	\$60		
	One 8-ft Table & 2 Folding Chairs (optional)	\$12 \$25		
	Electricity (Limited)	\$25 TO	 TAL	
METHOD OF	TRANSPORTATION: (check one):RV			
-	his application and mail to: Covington Heritage Founda NCLUDE AT LEAST THREE PHOTOS OR SLIDES OF Y	•		

Date



VENDOR AGREEMENT FORM

I have read and fully understand the rules, procedures, terms and conditions outlined in the Festival Rules & Agreement Form for the 2020 Covington Antiques and Uniques Festival. I hereby relieve the Covington Heritage Foundation, City of Covington and all festival representatives of any and all responsibility in connection with the safekeeping of my property, and any loss or injury that may occur. I consent to the terms of the Festival Rules & Agreement Form and will abide by them.

SIGNED	DATE	
PRINT NAME		
	STATEZIP	
PHONE	EMAIL	
OFFICIAL USE ONLY:		
CHECK OR MONEY ORDER #	DATE PAYMENT RECEIVED	