

Busker Agreement - Vancouver Farmers Market

The primary purpose of Vancouver Farmers Market is to create community by providing local farm products, original artisan creations, and quality prepared foods. We value Community, Education, Sustainability, and Growth.

Vendors pay for the privilege of being at the market, and their booth fees go towards our market's operating expenses. And, while buskers are an asset to the atmosphere of the market, they do not pay to perform. The rights of market vendors, paid performers, and relationships with our neighbors have priority over busker performances. The market reserves the right to adjust our busker process and limit the number of buskers at any one time within the market's permitted footprint.

- Buskers must check in with market staff at the information booth before setting up
 - *Our busker sign in process is outlined on the back side of this document.*
- Buskers must cooperate with market staff and adjacent vendors
- All performances must be family-friendly. Obscenity or indecency are not tolerated.
- Buskers may collect tips. Performers cannot ask for money or require payment but may place a donation basket in one location and it cannot be passed around. It is the responsibility of the busker to report their income, including tips, to the state tax commission.
- Buskers must play acoustically. Percussion and horns may be allowed, but only with approval by the on-site market staff and when directed to an appropriate location.
- No amplifiers or motorized vehicles are allowed in the market.
- Buskers are responsible for the security of their possessions.
- Buskers may not erect tents, tables, or structures.
- Knives, swords, flames, axes, saws or other objects that can cause injury are prohibited.
- Performances that entail physical contact with shoppers or vendors are prohibited.
- Buskers must perform only in designated locations
- Buskers must move locations every hour, but they may not walk around and perform.
 - Buskers who offer silent performances may be given leniencies to these terms at the discretion of market management

On-site managers reserve the right to monitor set up, sound levels, and interactions with our vendors. Managers may ask for reduced volume or to relocate buskers. A busker determined by the Market Manager to be non-compliant with market rules may be asked to leave. Busker's performances must not interfere with market operations, customer flow/pathways, fire lanes, or any vendor's ability to do business.

I agree to comply with the market rules for busking.

Signature_____ Date:_____

Name Printed_____

Contact information: (Email): _____ (Phone): _____

Busker sign in process

In order to manage the growing interest in busking at the Vancouver Farmers Market, we have developed the following sign-in process. Our aim is to ensure a process that is both fair and equitable, while maintaining the efficiency of our operations. We retain the authority to modify this process at any time.

Busking locations were chosen based on community partnership agreements, noise considerations, and the market's traffic flow. Buskers are required to be in one of these designated locations when performing. Buskers are able to sign up for one-hour time slots at each location.

Procedures for busker sign ups:

- Buskers will sign up on a first come, first served basis and *are not allowed to sign up for another busker on their behalf.*
- The sign-in sheet will be set out by staff at the information booth 30 minutes before the market's opening time
- Buskers are able to sign up for **two** time slots per day
- As a courtesy to others, we ask that you remove your name from the sign-in sheet if you are unable to make it