

Lower Nicola Garlic Festival 2024

Hello everyone!

We are changing things up this year, just slightly. Why? We are a team of 4 organizing this and we are trying to streamline the event and provide as much information upfront as possible. As well, we listened to vendor suggestions. We want to increase efficiency and be more organized at an earlier stage as opposed to long days and late nights on the days just prior to the event.

The 2024 application has more information. We hope that this addresses most of your questions, and any concerns that you may have. As always, we are happy to answer your questions, address concerns, and listen to constructive feedback 😊

All proceeds go to the Lower Nicola Community Association, which is a non-profit organization.

We hope to have another fantastic Lower Nicola Garlic Festival!
We have room for 80 vendors!

Thank you,

Karen, Wes, Selena, & Lisa

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September 28 & 29, 2024

Saturday 9am-5pm & Sunday 9am-3pm

Smith Pioneer Park 2428 Aberdeen Road, Lower Nicola, BC

Name: _____ Business Name (if applicable): _____

Email: _____ Phone #: _____

Mailing Address: _____

What product(s) will you be selling? _____

Special Requests (we will do our best to accommodate, but we are not guaranteeing that we can accommodate your special request):

Payment Options: (Do not send payment until you receive a confirmation email**)**

_____ # of spaces x \$75.00 Vendor Fee TOTAL = \$ _____

- ❖ E-transfer to lowernicolahall@gmail.com

(if you e-transfer, what is the name on the e-transfer if it differs from the name or business name listed above: _____)

- ❖ Cheques made payable to: Lower Nicola Community Association
(in the "memo" section please write the name/business name listed above if it differs from the name on the cheque)

Mailing address: 2383 Aberdeen Road, Lower Nicola, BC V0K 1Y0

- ❖ Cash *** Please do not send cash through the mail ***

Contact Information:

Karen Knapp 250-280-4125 or lower.nicola.bc.garlic.fest@gmail.com

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Hello Vendors! We are very excited to welcome you to the Lower Nicola Garlic Festival on September 28 & 29, 2024. Here is some important information for you (*please SIGN and DATE at the bottom to confirm you have read and understood the following information*):

Application and Payments:

- Application acceptance deadline: August 15, 2024;
- Applications must be for yourself only;
- Your application does not guarantee acceptance and the Lower Nicola Garlic Festival reserves the right to deny products and vendors based on non-compliance with Health Regulations and those that we do not feel would be a good fit for our event;
- All applications will be reviewed and confirmation will be emailed. Upon approval, payment must be made, in full, within three (3) business days or there is a chance you will lose your spot;
- Vendors must submit their valid event liability insurance/exhibitor coverage and valid Food Safe Certificate WITH their application;
- You will be emailed whether your application is accepted or not;
- Payments will NOT be accepted on Setup day;
- Vendor space is not guaranteed until payment is received in full;
- Cancellations must be made in writing, dated no later than September 7, 2024, to qualify for a 50% refund;
- No refunds after September 8, 2024.

General Rules

- All vendors must carry valid event liability insurance/exhibitor coverage for the event setup, duration, and take down;
- All property & products exhibited are done at the vendor's sole risk. The Lower Nicola Garlic Festival and the Lower Nicola Community Association will assume no responsibility for theft, fire, accidents, injury, mishaps, or damage;
- Booth space is for a single vendor. No sharing – vendors without an approved application will be asked to leave the premises;
- Vendors/exhibitors must offer products for sale that are suitable for families and people of all age groups;
- Vendors must feature handmade, artisanal, or grown products. Vendors cannot feature purchased retail items, commercially produced kits, mass-produced items or imports;
- There is no ATM onsite. Vendors must accept cash or be able to process credit/debit transactions.
- Vendors must participate on both Festival days – Saturday and Sunday.
- There is NO overnight camping at the Festival, but vendors can camp in the parking lot at the Lower Nicola Community Hall located at 2383 Aberdeen Road, Lower Nicola, BC .

Booth Setup

- There will be staggered times and gates for entry. You will be notified in advance as to your gate and entry time;
- Vendors must check in at the assigned gate;
- Set up will start at 7 AM on Saturday, September 28, 2024 (we will have coffee, apple cider, hot chocolate, muffins and breakfast sandwiches available for purchase at this time);
- Someone will be onsite to direct you to your booth area and you will be provided a map at this time;
- Booth spaces are 10'x10' and Vendors are responsible to supply their own tent, tables, chairs etc.;
- The Lower Nicola Garlic Festival, and organizers, are not liable for any damaged caused by vendor installations, materials, or equipment;

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- Please unload vehicle and remove from the park prior to setting up. Vehicles must be moved off-site from middle area by 8:45 AM on Saturday, September 28;
- Vendors ***must*** be set-up by 9 AM sharp on Saturday;
- *NOTE* There are no power or water connections;
- You may leave your items set up overnight as there will be someone staying on the premises.

Booth Takedown

- Vendors ***must*** remain set-up until 3 PM on Sunday, September 29, 2024 regardless of whether or not they have sold out;
- Vendors must leave their site in immaculate condition upon departure and garbage must be removed from Vendor site.

Raffle Item

- Vendors will provide an item, with their business card, or name, attached, for the Festival raffle. A volunteer will collect the donation on Saturday morning. All Vendors will receive a free ticket for this raffle prize or a chance to win a free Vendor space the following year;

Important Notes

- Vendors are expected to treat each other, patrons, and Festival volunteers with respect and common courtesy. Those who do not, will be asked to leave and Vendor fee ***will not*** be refunded;
- Vendors selling items not listed in their application, will be asked to remove the items, or asked to take down their booth;
- To be respectful and to avoid cultural appropriation, under no circumstances, will a vendor display, or sell, sacred masks, reproductions of beadwork and other crafts, regalia, or cultural items unless they are from the local Nation. If a vendor has any of these items, they will be asked to remove them and/or asked to leave the Festival.

We wish everyone a wonderful weekend at the Lower Nicola Garlic Festival!

Vendor signature: _____ Date: _____

We look forward to seeing and meeting you all,

Karen, Wes, Selena & Lisa

For office use only:

Date payment received: _____ Payment: Cash / E-transfer / Cheque # _____