



**Be a Part of the
16th Annual Holiday Farmers' Market
Saturday, November 18th, from 9:00 a.m. until 1:00 p.m.
RAIN OR SHINE!**

- As always, the Holiday Market will showcase the best of local art, produce, delicious baked goods, hand-made crafts and so much more. All local artists and growers are encouraged to participate. The regular Farmers' Market season will conclude at the end of October, but this special event will allow market goers to enjoy locally grown and locally crafted items just in time for the holiday table and for gift giving!
- The market is open to the public and there is no charge for the public to attend. The event takes place **RAIN OR SHINE!**
- The same rules that are set for the regular Farmers' Market season apply for the Holiday Market. These guidelines state that all produce, products, and art/crafts **MUST** be locally grown, made or "conjured up". Items must be sold by the grower or artist who produced them. To ensure a quality event, The Hitching Lot Farmers' Market committee reserves the right to refuse any items that do not meet or follow the set guidelines.
- If you are selling **Value Added Products/Cottage Foods** (see examples on the attached application), you will be required to label your products according to MS Dept. of Health Guidelines. You can find this labeling guide on our website www.hitchinglotfarmersmarket.com - Under the Vendors Tab, or call 662-328-6305 for more information.
- All annual vendors may have their same vendor space at no additional fee; daily vendors will be charged a **\$10** fee per booth. ALL vendors must register by **October 20th, 2023**, to reserve a space. There will be a \$10 late fee for applications submitted after October 20th.
- **ALL** craft vendors are required by MS Dept of Revenue to pay 7% MS State sales tax. Cash or check are accepted. **Checks must be made payable to City of Columbus.** If you fail to pay your taxes, you will not be allowed to participate in future Holiday Markets.
- If you wish to have your artwork featured on social media in promotion of this event, please email 5-7 high quality photos to columbusmainstreet@gmail.com.
- This year, we will have a donation box located at the information booth. This box will be for vendors and attendees to donate to local organizations that help serve those in need in our community. Everyone is encouraged to donate unopened toiletries, canned goods, and other non-perishable food items. Cash donations will also be accepted at the information booth.
- The Annual Turkey Drive **will not** be held on the same day as the Holiday Farmers' Market this year. We are working with advertisers, officials, organizers, and volunteers to make sure this Holiday Farmers' Market is a huge success.

- **NEW THIS YEAR!** Please note that the hours of the Holiday Market have been changed. It will now be open from 9:00am-1:00pm. More food trucks and food vendors will be added so that attendees and vendors can purchase lunch. If you anticipate that you will sell out of goods before the event ends at 1:00pm, you must park outside of the parking lot. Vendors who park inside of the parking lot will not be permitted to leave until after 1:00pm when the event has ended. **No one will be permitted to drive vehicles into or out of the market until the event is over. This is for the safety of our shoppers and vendors.**
- ALL applications should be completed in advance (whether you are an annual, daily or new vendor) and should be returned to the Main Street Columbus office located at 107 5th Street North, Downtown Columbus. Completed forms and fees can also be mailed to Main Street Columbus, Attn: Holiday Farmers' Market, P.O. Box 1062, Columbus, MS 39703. We accept cash, check, and credit cards.
- PLEASE RETURN ALL REGISTRATION FORMS **NO LATER THAN October 20th, 2023.** We cannot guarantee you a space after this date.

Any questions or concerns should be directed to Main Street Columbus at 662-328-6305
OR columbusmainstreet@gmail.com.



2023 Holiday Farmers' Market Vendor Application

Name _____

If you are an annual Hitching Lot Farmers' Market Vendor, please provide us with your annual booth assignment number. _____

We do our best to accommodate booth placement requests. Please note that annual Hitching Lot Farmers' Market vendors have priority of booth placement. Please be specific when making requests.

Booth Placement Requested _____

Circle One: Annual OR Daily Vendor OR New Vendor

Fee Paid & Date (If applicable) _____

Farm/Business Name _____

Physical Address _____

Home Phone Number _____ Cell Phone Number _____

E-Mail Address _____

Website/Social Media Page _____

Market Categories (Please CIRCLE ALL That Apply)

Direct Farm Products

Raw Vegetables, Fruits, Nuts, Herbs, Fresh Cut Flowers, Plants, Eggs, Honey, Firewood, Meat, Etc.

Value Added Products/Cottage Foods

Breads, Pies, Pastries, Cookies, Brownies, Cakes, Candies, Freeze Dried Candies, Jams, Jellies, Spices, Relishes, Pickles, Salsas, Etc.

Crafts

Art or Handcrafted Items

Please list, specifically, what items you plan to sell at the Market.

