

Springs Folk Festival, 1711 Springs Road, Springs PA 15562
Festival dates are always the first Friday and Saturday of October

Information for new crafters

All prospective crafts at the Springs Folk Festival are juried by the crafts committee consisting of 4 members beginning in January of each year. Anyone wishing to apply to be a crafter at the Festival needs to submit a written description of their craft and how they would be able to demonstrate it while at the festival. It is also necessary in most cases to have photos or samples of the craft included in this process. This information may be submitted either by e-mail or by land mail using the information below. If you submit anything by land mail that you need returned, you will need to include the materials necessary to cover the cost of returning those items to you.

If your craft has been selected for inclusion in the festival, you will be notified and will receive a demonstrator's agreement/application at that time which you will need to fill out and return along with a \$25 deposit to reserve your space at the festival. This fee will be refunded to you at the close of the festival at the time you pay your commission but is non-refundable after September 1 for cancellations or no shows. Crafters who accept this invitation to the Festival agree to pay the festival 15% of the selling price of all items which they sell during the 2 days of the festival.

Please read the following for answers to other common questions. Please direct all other inquiries for general information about the Festival using the information listed on the Contact Us page.

The following contact information is for crafter/demonstrator inquiries only.

1. E-mail: folkfestivalcrafts@comcast.net

2. USPS: Byron Miller
Springs Folk Festival
PO Box 293
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3. Phone: Byron 301-895-5706

FAQs for crafters:

1. What are the requirements for setting up my booth?

The crafts committee will have selected a space for the demonstration of your craft and made an effort to place you in an area advantageous for your demonstration. Your booth/space on the festival grounds will be marked with your name. Also, a member of the committee will be available after 1:00 pm on Thursday of the festival, and crafters are requested to set up their booths between the hours of 1:00 - 9:00 pm on that date. If you

cannot set up your booth on Thursday evening, you must arrive early enough on Friday morning to have it set up and open to the public by 9:00 am.

2. Will my booth and craft items be secure at nighttime during the festival?

Security will be provided from 7:00 pm Thursday to 7:00 am Friday and from 7:00 pm Friday to 7:00 am Saturday. There will be no security after the close of the festival on Saturday evening, and you are requested to remove/secure all items from the grounds as soon as possible after the close of the festival on Saturday evening. The festival does not take responsibility for lost or stolen items, and crafters should take turns leaving their booths for meals during the festival so as not to let booths unattended.

3. Am I expected to wear any special clothing during the festival?

We would appreciate if you would wear traditional Early American or Pioneer clothing.

4. What accessories are provided by the festival along with the space provided for me to demonstrate my craft?

Tables are provided if you need them which are approximately 7' long, 30" wide, and 34" high. All demonstrator's tables must be draped to the floor with cloth of solid color (burlap would be suitable), and ends should also be draped to the floor. Packing boxes, etc., must be hidden beneath your tables or otherwise out of public sight. Chairs must be draped to conceal metal and plastic frames or upholstery. Be sure to bring extension cords, motors, spotlights, hooks, and brackets for pegboard in order to display and demonstrate your craft. Portable electric heaters are not allowed to be used during the festival.

5. What do I need to do with my vehicle after I set up my booth?

There will be no parking allowed in the demonstration area. Please remove all vehicles from the demonstration area as quickly as possible during the setup time to allow other crafters to access their space. All vehicles need to be outside the gates prior to 9:00 am on Friday morning.

6. What does it cost me to be a crafts person at the festival?

Crafters who accept an invitation to the festival agree to pay the festival 15% of the selling price of all items which they sell during the 2 days of the festival. There is a \$25 deposit fee at the time of application which is then refundable upon payment of the commission at the conclusion of the festival.

7. Do I need a tax number to be a crafts person at the festival?

It is the responsibility of the crafter to obtain a PA tax number and to operate accordingly.