



2021 Nine Mile Valley Holiday Fair

Vendor Information and Application Form

Saturday, 27th of November, 2021

I hope this finds you happy and healthy. We plan to hold the **2021 Nine Mile Valley Holiday Fair** on **Saturday, 27th of November** in person; as we have done for countless years past.

The Holiday Fair is held in a Historical Heritage site in a quiet little community called the Nine Mile Valley, not too far from Missoula. The craft fair is small, just over 30 vendors, with handmade items for sale by local area crafters and artists. A day at the Nine Mile Holiday Fair involves breathtaking scenery, quality handmade arts and crafts, a delicious home made lunch, a turkey shoot with the **Sapphire Mountain Men**, a visit with friends around a warm bonfire, popcorn, hot chocolate, and so much more. We plan to open the church again, which can hold additional vendors, and have more space available under the pavilion and near the bonfire. We hope that you will join us.

We are currently taking table/space reservations for the Holiday Fair. Registration deadline is October 27, 2021. Because of our small venue, we will try to place only one type of vendor with the same type of merchandise. This gives our patrons the maximum variety and our vendors the maximum sales.

The 2021 Nine Mile Valley Holiday Fair will be held on the Saturday after Thanksgiving, November 27th, from 10:00am to 3:00pm.

Terms/Conditions and General Information:

We will continue with the **"Buyer Incentive Baskets"**, which has increased sales and been very popular with both buyers and vendors. These baskets are filled with the goods offered by the vendors at the Holiday Fair. All vendors will be given a stack of **"Buyer Incentive Tickets"** to give to each patron that makes a purchase from you. You will be responsible for filling out the back of these tickets with your name or table number. We ask that those of you who are interested, please donate two items (as we have two baskets) that will be given away via drawing at the end of the day to two lucky patrons.

We will have a **Facebook Event** this year and provide a list of our vendors, and include a small write-up with photographs on our **Nine Mile Community Center** webpage. Be sure to share it with your fans, friends, and family. We will send out an electronic copy of the event poster as soon as it is completed. We will also be advertising in the **Missoulian** and other community event pages.

We will continue with the free space drawing for vendors who will be with us the following year.

Breakfast rolls and coffee will be available for sale in the morning, and homemade soups, salads, and cookies for lunch. Each vendor table/space will be given **one FREE lunch voucher**, which will be provided on Saturday morning.

There will be a collection box for food items for the **Alberton Food Bank**, so bring your donations.

The Ninemile Community Center will be open on **Friday, November 26th from 4:00pm to 6:00pm for vendor set-up**. We highly suggest that you set up Friday if you are an indoor vendor. During the set-up time, please pull up to the door to quickly unload and move to the vendor parking (behind the church on Saturday). If you are unable to set up on Friday evening or are an outdoor vendor, **set-up will begin Saturday, November 27th at 8:00am**. Your booth should be completely set up by 9:30am and keep your booth operational until the close of the fair at 3:00pm.

It is critical that all of your merchandise fit within your area and not extend out into the walking areas. You will be asked to remove any items outside of your designated space. Your designated space is from the front of the table to the wall. If all of your items do not fit in your space, you will be asked to remove them.

There is **no internet access, ATMs or cell phone coverage** at the Nine Mile Community Center or surrounding area. Be prepared to take cash and or checks.

Tear-down can begin at 3:00pm and the Community Center will stay open until everyone is able to load their merchandise.

Cancellations prior to October 27, 2021 will be fully refunded. Cancellations and/or "no shows" after that date will not be refunded and may affect next year's eligibility to be in the holiday fair. **If the NMCC cancels the Holiday Fair, a full refund will be provided.**

As of now, we plan to hold the 2020 Nine Mile Valley Holiday Fair in person. However, we do take into consideration your input, and the orders/guidelines from our Governor, the Centers for Disease Control & Prevention, and the Missoula County Health Department regarding the risk of COVID-19. **If new guidelines are provided, we will change our plan accordingly and let you know as soon as possible.** The safety of our community and its members is parimonte.

We are excited about this year's Nine Mile Valley Holiday Fair, the gathering of neighbors and friends around the bonfire or a warm lunch, sharing good cheer, supporting local artists and crafters, and having a great community experience.

Please feel free to contact me at any time with any questions or concerns you may have.

All the Best,
Ninemile Community Center Board of Directors
Shannon Stalpaert
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Please print the following application and mail in your completed form, along with payment, to the address listed on the application.

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Name: _____

Display Name: _____

Address: _____

Telephone: _____ Email: _____

Best way of communicating (circle one): U.S. Mail/Telephone/E-mail/Text Messaging

Please describe the art/craft you would be displaying at the holiday fair. Also please list any display needs you might require: _____

Location of table/space you would prefer (select table/space size and location):

- ☐ One 6' table/space at \$30
- ☐ One 8' table/space at \$40 (only 3 available - downstairs in school house-call for availability)
- ☐ Inside Stark School House ☐ Upstairs (10 spaces available) ☐ Downstairs (13 available)
- ☐ Inside Church (6 spaces available)
- ☐ Outside under the Pavillion or on Lawn (spaces are larger, tents allowed)

Due to the limited number of vendors, only one table/space will be allowed per vendor.

If you do not need a table in your assigned space, please check here ☐

We will attempt to place you in your preferred location, however, it is not guaranteed.

- ☐ I would like to submit an item for the **“Buyer’s Incentive Basket”**
- ☐ I would like to be featured on the **Nine Mile Community Center** webpage and on **Facebook**

I have read and agreed to the terms and conditions as indicated in the above Vendor Information letter.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Please mail your application and table/space fee (check made out to NMCC) to: **Shannon Stalpaert at 14970 Big Horn Road, Huson, MT 59846**. If you have any questions or concerns, please contact Shannon at (360) 632-2587 and/or ShannyZim007@gmail.com.