

## VANCOUVER FARMERS MARKETS

(Your Local Farmers Market Society)

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Greetings!

We are gearing up for a great 2010 Farmers Market season.

- **East Vancouver Market runs Saturdays, from May 8 to October 23 in the north parking lot of the Trout Lake Community Centre (New location) off of the 13th Ave alley between Lakewood & Templeton, 9am to 2pm.**
- **West End Market runs Saturdays, from June 2 to October 23 on Comox Street between Bute and Thurlow, 9am to 2pm.**
- **Main Street Station Market runs Wednesdays, from June 2 to September 29 in Thornton Park off Terminal St. and Station St., 3pm – 7pm**
- **Kitsilano Farmers Market runs Sundays, May 23 to October 24 in the parking lot of the Kitsilano Community Centre at 10<sup>th</sup> Ave and Larch St, from 10am to 2pm.**

We attract between 1500 to 7000 people (varies from Market to Market) in the 4 or 5 hours we are open. We attract people from all over the city, as well as from a wide range of cultural and economic backgrounds. Many of our regulars are community minded and interested in the betterment of our society.

As a commitment to our community, we aim to involve community-based organizations such as yours in our Market. Under normal circumstances, we charge up to \$60 per day for the opportunity to appear. We have made an exception with community groups and have set aside a subsidized space each week for community education. This is our way of saying thank you for doing the work you do and offering you an opportunity to inform others of your organization and your work.

In order to manage demand, we have to limit this opportunity to organizations whose work focuses on: Agriculture, Food Security, Community Health, Community Economic Development, Health Education, or Environmental Issues in the GVRD. We will happily offer last-minute availability to organizations whose mandates fall outside of these identified areas. To reserve a last-minute space, please call our office up to one week in advance of the date you want.

**(NEW)** Our Community Tables are popular and requested by many organizations. This year we have implemented a **\$25** application fee as well as included a fee of **\$20** per market day to help us cover the cost of scheduling these spots. Please keep in mind that we will continue to supply you with a table, umbrella (or tent if available) and 2 chairs free of charge. Please get in touch with us if you should need other accommodation. Please mail in your application as well as a cheque written out to YLFMS (Your Local Farmers Market Society) for the \$25 application fee. Once dates have been granted, we will send you an invoice for the amount due.

**If your organization's mandate addresses one of the issues above and you are interested in this opportunity, the commitment is small. We ask the following:**

- **Fill out the application form below to request a space and send it to our office with your (NEW) \$25 application fee; each market date granted, will be billed at \$20 per market. Please do not send in this payment until dates have been confirmed. Cheques should be made out to YLFMS (Your Local Farmers Market Society.)**
- **Remind your volunteers to:**
  - a) **Show up between 15-30 minutes prior to opening on the day you have booked for and stay until closing, regardless of weather or turn-out;**
  - b) **Stay within the area of the free community table – please do not walk around the market distributing your information;**

We do reserve the right to limit what items can be sold at a community table – the main purpose of which should be educating and informing the public of your cause. The only items permitted to be sold are:

Society memberships, general donations, raffle tickets, and event tickets. **You may not sell T-shirts, coffee mugs, buttons, badges, plants, seeds, food items, or other items not listed above at this table. Additionally, to sustain the economic efforts of our vendors, free food and handcrafted items may not be offered at this space.** If you want to sell or distribute something that is not on this list please call our office for more information.

We are currently making up the schedule for this year's community table. If you are interested in participating, please complete the application and return it to us ASAP. We will book the spaces as we receive requests.

## 2010 VANCOUVER FARMERS MARKET COMMUNITY TABLE APPLICATION

1. Name of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

2. Name and Title of Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

3. Address: \_\_\_\_\_

4. Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ 5. E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

6. Mission Statement of Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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7. Please circle the dates you are requesting at each market and indicate your first, second and third preference at each.

**You may attend one date per market for a total of 4 markets per season.**

**East Vancouver Market, Saturdays, 9am – 2pm**

Name of person attending the Market: \_\_\_\_\_

May	8	15	22	29	
June	5	12	19	26	
July	3	10	17	24	31
August	7	14	21	28	
September	4	11	18	25	
October	2	9	16	23	

**West End Market, Saturdays, 9am – 2pm**

Name of person attending the Market: \_\_\_\_\_

June	5	12	19	26	
July	3	10	17	24	31
August	7	14	21	28	
September	4	11	18	25	
October	2	9	16	23	

**Main Street/ Station, Wednesdays, 3pm – 7pm**

Name of person attending the Market: \_\_\_\_\_

June	2	9	16	23	30
July	7	14	21	28	
August	4	11	18	25	
September	1	8	15	22	29

**Kitsilano Market Sundays, 10am – 2pm**

Name of person attending the Market: \_\_\_\_\_

May	23	30			
June	6	13	20	27	
July	4	11	18	25	
August	1	8	15	22	29
September	5	12	19	26	
October	3	10	17	24	

8. Please tell us what you plan to display:

9. Will your display fit on a 4' wide x 30" deep table or in a space of equal size without a table?  yes  no

10. Do you want to sell any items?  yes  no If yes, please list all items you would like to sell:

11. Do you plan to give items away?  yes  no If yes, please identify all items you would like to distribute, free of charge.

I/we acknowledge that I/we have read the guidelines set out for Community Tables as identified in the letter attached to this application form and will comply with them. We are including one \$25 cheque, made out to YLFMS for the non-refundable application fee.

Name of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of application: \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of applicant: \_\_\_\_\_

For office use only:

\$25 application fee received  Contact person notified by  e-mail  phone

Date and Market booked:

East Van:  Main Street Station:

West End:  Kitsilano:

Total for market dates: \_\_\_\_\_

payment for market dates received on: \_\_\_\_\_