



Driftless Area Art Festival

An Event of Community Development Alternatives, Inc., a 501(c)(3) Organization

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2025 Application

Dear Culinary Arts Applicant,

Thank you for your interest in the 2025 Driftless Area Art Festival, to be held on Sept. 20 & 21 in Soldiers Grove, Wisconsin. This will be the fine arts festival's 21st year showcasing the visual, performing and culinary arts of the Driftless Area.

Please review our guidelines carefully. Again, all food vendors will be required to give artists priority service through the establishment of an "Artist Line." This will help artists get back to their booths quickly. We also encourage you to plan the staffing of your booth in order to handle the "rush" hours from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. We remind you that dispensing any food or beverage in glass containers is prohibited.

We require proof of insurance from all food vendors. Upon acceptance, successful applicants must submit a certificate of insurance naming Community Development Alternatives, Inc. as additionally insured.

We request that each vendor provide some local/ regional or organic offerings in keeping with the regional theme of the festival and indicate those offerings and their source on your menu display.

All applicants must be from the Driftless Area of SW Wisconsin, NE Iowa, SE Minnesota, and NW Illinois. We will base our food vendor selection on the uniqueness of menu items, quality of foods offered, and the percentage of local/regional or organic foods on the menu. We will make our selections shortly after the June 1 submittal deadline. While we will try to avoid duplication of menu selections, we cannot guarantee exclusivity of any menu item.

Please send a photo of your setup and any other photos we can use for promotion (food samples, etc) to food@driftlessareaartfestival.com. Please also send a copy of the menu items you plan to offer.

Thank you for again for your interest, and please feel free to call me at (608) 648-3647 or email food@driftlessareaartfestival.com with any additional questions.

Sincerely,

Kay Campbell
Culinary Arts Coordinator

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Culinary Arts Vendor Guidelines

Vendor Selection	Food vendors will be chosen by the Art Festival Committee based on the uniqueness of menu items, quality of foods offered, and number of local/regional or organic offerings. Vendors must reside within the geographic area known as the Driftless Area of SW Wisconsin, NE Iowa, SE Minnesota, and NW Illinois.
Guidelines	Vendors must comply with DHFS restaurant permit guidelines.
Insurance	Upon acceptance, vendors must submit a certificate of insurance that names Community Development Alternatives, Inc. as additionally insured.
Servicing Artists	Food vendors are required to give artists priority service by establishing a dedicated "Artist Line". Volunteers who are ordering meals for artists may also use this line.
Shelter and Display	Vendors are responsible for furnishing and erecting their own shelter, which must not extend beyond the 20' x 20' space provided by the festival. A shelter provided by the vendor is required for each space. We also ask that vendors indicate local/regional or organic offerings on their menu board.
Check-In	Vendors must check in before setting up.
Glass	No food or beverage shall be dispensed in glass containers. If you are serving beverages which come to you in glass bottles, you are required to dispense them in paper or plastic cups.
Set-Up and Take-Down	Set-up may begin on Friday. Security will be provided by the Village of Soldiers Grove for Friday and Saturday nights. Vendors will be required to keep their booths open until festival closing each day.
Sales Tax	All vendors must comply with state sales tax regulations.
Weather	This is an outdoor event and vendors should prepare accordingly (including adequate shelter with sufficient anchorage). No rain date will be scheduled nor refund given for inclement weather.
Unloading	Space will be reserved for vendors to unload. Vehicles must be moved to the parking lot after unloading--before setting up—to allow every exhibitor the best access to their booth locations.
Deposit & Cancellations	Vendors must provide a \$50 deposit with their application. Vendors canceling by August 1 will be given a refund. No-shows or late cancellations will not be refunded.

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2025 Culinary Arts Food Vendor Application – Due June 1, 2025

Vendor's Name: _____

Business Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

Food Offerings: _____

Are you using a tent or a trailer? Tent _____ Trailer _____

If a trailer, what is the length from hitch to rear? _____

Electrical Requirements: _____

Federal Identification Number – FEIN (if you have one) _____

One of the following is required:

Seller's Permit No. _____ Social Security No. _____

Terms of Agreement:

I agree to pay Community Development Alternatives, Inc a 10% commission on gross sales, sent to the address above within 10 days following the event. I understand that while the Art Festival committee will try to avoid duplication of food and beverage selections by other vendors, no exclusive rights to any menu item or booth location can be guaranteed.

I have read the Vendor Guidelines on the previous page and agree to them. I agree to assume full liability for any injury or loss to me or my property during the event. I expressly release Community Development Alternatives, Inc, the Crawford County Tourism Council, the Driftless Area Art Festival Committee, and their representatives from all liability, or for any loss or injury. Vendor agrees to pay for all legal fees and costs in any action resulting from the enforcement of this contract.

I have reviewed the DHFS "Guidelines for Operating a Temporary Restaurant."

Signed: _____ Date: _____

Required attachments: \$50 Deposit, menu and prices, email photos