

Grand Valley Renaissance Faire 2018 MERCHANT APPLICATION

FAIRE DATES: Saturday, September 22, 2018 and Sunday, September 23, 2018

Please complete and return the ENTIRE form by **September 7, 2018**.

This form can be emailed to klitzkee@mail.gvsu.edu as well as mailed. Your deposit MUST be mailed.

It is VERY important that you give a working phone and email address so we may get in contact with you for emergencies and last minute details! Please check your email account regularly for updated information as it arises.

It is your responsibility to provide correct and truthful information as far as your knowledge extend when filling out this contract. If any information is found to be falsified, the Merchant Committee reserves the right to retain your \$50.00 deposit, not allow you onto the fairgrounds, or both. Thank you very much for your consideration in this matter.

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Business Name: _____

Any former names of your business (e.g. you have changed your name in past years):

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ Cell Phone: _____

Email Address: _____

Website URL (if applicable): _____
Links to our merchants will be featured on our website at www.gvren.org.

Merchandise to be offered:

Are you selling weapons at this faire? YES _____ NO _____

If yes, please describe the type and approximate number of weapons:

Due to safety concerns, we do seek to limit the number of weapons available for sale.

Your personal name: _____

Size of booth (including ropes and stakes): _____

Have you been a merchant at our faire? YES _____ NO _____

Are you staying both days? YES _____ NO _____ If no, what day can you be at the faire.
(Saturday or Sunday)

Is electricity **crucial** for your booth to function (this will determine your spot on site and is a first come first serves option)
YES _____ NO _____

What day are you planning on setting up? FRIDAY _____ SATURDAY _____

Will you need information sent to you regarding the hotels in the area? (Please note that hotels fill up quickly due to Family Weekend; please start booking early.)

YES _____ NO _____

Will you be camping on site? YES _____ NO _____
(Please circle the one that applies if YES) BOOTH PARKING LOT

Please put any additional comment or requests on the back of the form you will be returning to the merchant director with your check.

By signing this contract, you agree to abide by the rules and conditions set by the Grand Valley Renaissance Faire. This contract **does not** guarantee you acceptance to participate in the faire. You will receive notification via email or U.S. Postage Service mail. If you are not accepted, any fees paid will be returned to you via U.S Postal Service.

SIGNATURE: _____ DATE _____

Please mail completed application, photos (optional), and a certified check payable to **Renaissance Festival of GVSU** to:

GV Renaissance Festival
ATTN: Merchant Director
008 Kirkhof Center
1 Campus Dr.
Allendale, MI 49401

Fee: \$50.00 Returnable deposit. This deposit is used solely for the purpose of holding your place within the faire. The deposit will be returned to you at the end of faire. Grand Valley Renaissance Faire reserves the right to keep the deposit if: merchant fails to remain the entire weekend; damages GVSU property; or fails to abide by all mentioned laws. Exception may be made on a case to case basis. **Do not send a money order.** **If you send us a money order, we will not be able to return your deposit.**

Please read all materials before signing this.

Summary of GV Renaissance's Weapons Policy

As we are a student organization on a university campus, we, unfortunately, have a strict weapons policy. For the past three years we have been allowed to have a set limit of weapons for entertainers and for merchants to sell. All persons at the faire who are not merchants or entertainers may NOT carry weapons on the faire premises or on Grand Valley's campus in general. All persons wishing to use or sell weapons must obtain a permit from GV Renaissance Festival. This is just a small card, about business card size, that we use to keep track of what weapons are being carried by whom. For weapons vendors, a roped off area large enough for a single person to try out the weapon will be provided. Should a customer wish to purchase a weapon, a member of GV Renaissance must escort the customer to his or her vehicle with their purchase to be locked securely within. Any further questions can be mailed to the address below or emailed to us at:

GV Renaissance Festival
ATTN: Site Director
008 Kirkhof Center
1 Campus Dr.
Allendale, MI 49401
merchants@gvren.org

I _____ have read and understand the policies written and given to me by GV Renaissance Festival. By signing this statement I agree to follow the rules and regulations set upon me to the fullest of my capabilities. By signing this I am also making it known that I have read the weapon and camping policy and am willing to abide by it. If any instance arises that prevents me from fulfilling this agreement, I will notify the Merchant Director as soon as possible. I understand that instances may arise that may challenge the polices set before me, but I promise to make the decision around them with good judgement.

Signature:

Date: _____

Once signed please return this form along with your application and check made out to:

Renaissance Festival of GVSU

Thank you!