

Holiday Market Lights Up the Fairgrounds

Twelve Days of Festivities Begin Friday after Thanksgiving

On Friday, November 27th, Eugene's popular Saturday Market makes its yearly move indoors to the Lane County Fairgrounds for its annual Holiday Market, twelve days of outstanding entertainment, a world famous international food court, and thousands of affordable, locally made handcrafted gifts.

This year market-goers will find local growers selling mid-winter produce and dried flowers in an expanded Farmers' Market area. Three last minute shopping days have been added to this year's schedule on Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 21, 22 and 23rd. Special performances for young people, gift wrapping by volunteers from Womenspace, a massage area for weary shoppers, and a Food For Lane County collection center are just some of the convenient services that await Holiday Market visitors.

Founded in 1970 by local artist Lotte Streisinger, Saturday Market is currently the oldest continuously operating open-air craft marketplace in the United States. Several years ago, after more than a decade of shivering in the cold, wet winters on the downtown Park Blocks, Market crafters moved inside to the Lane County Fairgrounds on Thanksgiving weekend and the event has grown in popularity every year since.

Saturday Market is a non-profit organization. Its goal is to provide an affordable market place for local artisans and affordable handcrafted products for the citizens of Lane County.

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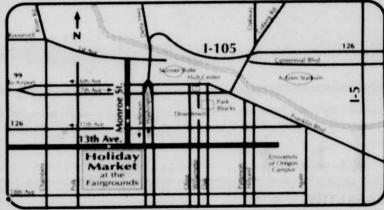
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Think Globally but Buy Locally and Save at Eugene's Holiday Market

When you shop at Saturday Market's Holiday Market not only will you find the finest handmade gifts but you become an active supporter of local artisans as well. The greatest personal experience at Saturday Market is talking to the folks who actually make what you are buying. Saturday Market craft standards ensure that your purchase is handcrafted and original and because most of our Saturday Market members live in our community, the dollars that you spend stay right here in Lane County.

Every time you buy at Holiday Market you take an important step towards building a stronger local economy.

Shopping at Holiday Market is energy efficient. No trucks or trains need haul your product to Eugene from factories hundreds of miles away. You won't find a lot of wasteful packaging; just a paper bag if you want, or maybe some tasteful gift wrapping done by volunteers from Womenspace. When you shop at Holiday Market you feel good about buying as well as giving.



Saturday Market's Holiday Market is located at the LANE COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS, 13th & Monroe in Eugene. The Market opens the Friday after Thanksgiving and continues every Saturday and Sunday from Thanksgiving through Christmas plus Monday, Tuesday Wednesday, December 21-23. Call (503) 686-8885 for more information.

Free Twelve Day Entertainment and Crafts Schedule Inside

MARKETPLACE HIGHLIGHTS

Grand Opening Day Friday, November 27th • 10am to 6pm

- Open Every Saturday and Sunday 10 am 6 pm at the Lane County Fairgrounds from Thanksgiving to Christmas plus Monday, Tuesday and Wednesday, December 21-23
- Over 200 Saturday Market craftspersons selling thousands of handmade and original holiday gifts at affordable prices!
- Plenty of Free Parking at the Lane County Fairgrounds
- Feast at Saturday Market's world famous International Food Court (what a great place for Sunday Brunch!)
- Live performances all day, every day on three stages, featuring celebrated local musicians and entertainers
- Gift Wrapping by Womenspace
 Lane County Farmers' Market
- International Holiday Zone for Children Massage Center
- Food for Lane County Collection Center Bring Along a Can of Food

Save for Future Reference!

Twelve Full Days of Performances Scheduled for Year End Market Shows for Young People Daily at 11 a.m.

This year's Holiday Market features over one hundred and fifty live performances on three stages. There's something to please everyone at this year's Market, from blues, bluegrass and boogie to Celtic, classical and klezmer. Groups range in size from solo folksingers to full gospel, school and senior choirs. Traditional holiday music as well as music from all corners of the world will be presented, including African marimba, haunting Andean and Caribbean steel drum music. In addition to performing, many groups will have CDs and tapes for sale.

Every morning at 11 a.m., the Auditorium Stage features a special performance for young people and their families. The outdoor Courtyard Stage features the familiar Saturday Market afternoon dance concert each afternoon at 2 p.m., with performances by some of the area's best known rock bands.

For a complete performance schedule, turn to page 4.