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Oregon Ag Fest displays agricultural diversity

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For 35 years, Oregon Ag Fest has taken over the state fairgrounds in April to help kids learn where their food, fiber, and flora come from. To experience life on the farm in an interactive way, head to the Oregon State Fairgrounds in Salem on Saturday, April 23, from 8:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. and Sunday, April 24, from 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Admission is \$9 for 13 and over. Children 12 and under are admitted for free and there is free parking.

All activities center around locally grown products, which introduces families to the diverse world of Oregon agriculture.

Attendees can expect to see numerous farm animals, watch a llama show, race a mini pedal tractor, take a horse-drawn wagon ride, listen to live music, and more.

“Our goal is to help kids gain a better understanding of the importance of agriculture to Oregon’s rural landscape, and to emphasize that most food starts on a farm somewhere and in Oregon we’re lucky enough to grow over 200 varieties of crops,” said Leah Rue, Ag Fest chair.

On Saturday, April 23 from 8:30 a.m. - 10:30 a.m., there will be an old-fashioned ranch-style breakfast available. Cost is \$8 for adults; children under three years eat free. Proceeds from the breakfast provide scholarships for 4-H camp and leader training.

For more information go to www.oragfest.com.

2022 OREGON AG FEST

Join us for
our 35th
annual event!

SATURDAY
April 23
8:30 am-5 pm

SUNDAY
April 24
10 am-5 pm

at the Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem
2330 17th St NE, Salem, OR 97301

FREE for Children 12 & under
Free Parking! \$9 for ages 13 & up

DISCOVER THE FUN!

Family Entertainment & Pony Rides
Pony rides, sheep shearing, wagon rides, face painting, and live music are just some of the attractions your family will enjoy.

Ag Country
Hands-on farm experiences like digging for potatoes, watching chicks hatch & more.

Nosey's Farm Animal Neighborhood
More than just a petting zoo—meet “Nosey” the cow and a wide variety of other farm animals, including several breeds of goats, sheep, beef and dairy cattle, rabbits, chickens, pigs & horses!

Tractor Races
Pedal mini-tractors around an indoor track.

Llama Show
Watch llamas compete and cheer-on your favorite contestant.

Farm Equipment Exhibit
View tractors, combines and other antique and modern-day farm implements.

Craft and Garden Show
Oregon-made goods, garden and landscape plants and more.

Ranch Breakfast
Enjoy a hearty breakfast Saturday only, 8:30-10:30 am (\$8 each; children under 3 years are free). All proceeds benefit 4-H youth programs.

ShowBiz Salem returns

ShowBiz Salem is returning after its last event seven years ago. ShowBiz is described as the mid-Willamette Valley’s premier trade show and job fair. The event is scheduled for June 4 at the Oregon State Fairgrounds.

More than 200 businesses are expected. Organizer Ben Punley, of Advanced Business Solutions, is providing free exhibitor booth space to regional non-profit organizations.

“ShowBiz is where business meets (the) community,” said Punley.

The event, open to the public, allows businesses to promote themselves, their goods and services to the community,

and to other businesses. It is one of the largest networking opportunities in the area.

The event will feature a job fair, as well.

The deadline to register a business or a non-profit organization for exhibitor space is Friday, May 13. Cost for business exhibitor spaces range from \$295 to \$695.

To register visit showbizsalem.com.

Show hours are noon to 7 p.m. on Saturday, June 4. Admission and parking for the public is free but organizers suggest a \$3 donation to benefit local non-profit organizations.

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SHOWBIZ SALEM

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