

Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, INC
ANNUAL MISSISSIPPI GULF COAST BLUES & HERITAGE FESTIVAL

Good Deeds Community Center
15101 Madison St Gulfport, MS

Saturday, September 12, 2026

Vendor Application

Application Deadline: September 1, 2026

The Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission is very excited that you have decided to participate in this year's Annual Blues & Heritage Festival. We appreciate your support and look forward to your participation as a Vendor. Please complete this application by filling in the blank spaces in all lines that follow.

I. NAME & BUSINESS NAME: _____ **Contact Number** _____

II. VENDOR PRODUCTS

Vendors must declare all items that will be offered for sale, including food products, by entering them on the lines below. Use the back of the page if more space is needed.

Meats: _____

Sides: _____

Drinks: _____

Desserts: _____

Other Products or Services: _____

NOTE: Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission (MGCBC) reserves the right to sell screened/mass-produced Blues Festival T-shirts.

III. VENDOR PROFITS

All profits received from the sale of products will belong to the vendor.

NOTE: Vendors are responsible for the 7% state sales tax, which will be collected by a representative of MGCBC at the end of the festival. Food Vendors are responsible for an additional 2% sales tax for Jackson County.

IV. PROHIBITED ITEMS

- No electrical generators are allowed. It's the vendor's responsibility to comply with all applicable State and Federal government regulations, including safe food handling requirements.
- Vendors are not allowed to bring pets to the fairgrounds.
- Vendors are not allowed to bring alcoholic beverages onto the fairgrounds.
- Vendors are not allowed to reproduce entertainment CDs at the fairgrounds during the festival.
- No glass containers (tumblers, bottles, etc.) are allowed.

V. LOGISTICS

- Vendors are to bring their own electrical extension cords and water hoses if needed.
- Vendors using heat and/or flammable liquids must have a fire extinguisher at their disposal. The extinguisher must have a current inspection sticker or tag.
- Vendors agree not to use electrical equipment that draws too much electrical power to "pop" the circuit breaker.
- Vendor understands that failure to abide by the list of items declared to be sold and failure to abide by the policies and regulations as established by MGCBC will result in the vendor being asked to shut down operation, leave the premises, and forfeit the fees paid to Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc.

<https://www.msgulfcoastblues.com/vendor-application>

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VI. FEES

The application fee for vendors is \$135.00 per booth.

- No charge for two workers per **food vendor** booth
- No charge for one worker per all **other vendors** such as novelties, advertisements, etc.

NOTE: An entry fee of \$25.00 for additional workers may be submitted along with the vendor application. A fee of \$35 will be charged for each extra worker on the day of the show.

Vendor fees are to be paid via cashier's check or money order. No Personal checks will be accepted. Please make payments payable to Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission. Mail payments to:

Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission, Inc.
Attn: Vendor Committee
P. O. Box 1129
Gautier, MS 39553

You may contact the following MGCBC Commissioners with questions regarding vendors:
Phyllis Owens (228) 282-0951, Maggie Griffin (601) 613-1468, Lonnie Hopkins (228) 627-9355

NOTE: APPLICATION FEES WILL NOT BE REFUNDED.

VII. INSURANCE

Vendors must submit a copy of insurance documents that covers the sale of their products along with the vendor application.

VIII. BUSINESS SETUP

The gates will open at 9:00 a.m. for vendor set-up. Vendors are requested to complete setup by 1:00 p.m.
Show-time is 2:00 p.m.

IX. SIGNATURE OF BUSINESS OWNER

I have carefully reviewed this document and I agree to follow all instructions and guidelines provided.

Print Name _____ Signature _____ Email _____ Date _____

Vendor Checklist: _____ Name/Phone, _____ Vendor Fee, _____ Fee for additional workers, _____ List of all items to be sold,
_____ Insurance Document, _____ Items needed for operation, _____ Complete setup by 1:00 p.m., _____ Meet deadlines

A copy of this application will be returned to the vendor after it has been approved or rejected by the Mississippi Gulf Coast Blues Commission.

X. MGCBC DISPOSITION

_____ MGCBC has reviewed your application and **accepted** your list of sale items.

_____ MGCBC has reviewed your application and has **rejected** the list of items presented for sale.

MGCBC Commissioner

Print Name: _____ Signature _____ Date _____

Document Mailed Via USPS on _____ Other _____