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Exhibitor Registration Now Open for 2018 Coast Guard Craft Fair

The Coast Guard Craft Fair is seeking craft vendors for the 2018 Coast Guard Festival, slated for Friday August 3 and Saturday August 4, 2018. Registration is open now through March 15, 2018. Be among the 150 crafters who fill Central Park in downtown Grand Haven, transforming it into an outdoor craft market.

We are looking for crafters from near and far to showcase their original, handmade work, perfect for anyone's home, office or cottage. There are 14 categories available, including fiber/clothing, jewelry, games, photography, painting, wood and metal.

To apply as a crafter, please complete the online application found at <http://www.zapplication.org> and submit the jury fee. The application requires six digital images; three photos of the crafter's work, one of the crafter creating their work, one of the workstation and one of the booth/display.

The Chamber of Commerce, producers of the event, are excited about having a jury review the various submissions. "Our jury panel is composed of local professionals with a diverse background and skill set. Together the jury panel will review and score applicants, selecting the best applicants to participate in the Craft Fair" said Mary Sherman, Coast Guard Craft Fair Director. Additionally, a jury will be onsite at the event, selecting the top crafter in each category. Those crafters will then be invited back automatically for the next year.

The Chamber will host an Information Tent during the event, located near the park's entrance at Fourth Street and Washington Avenue. Attendees may stop by with any questions and obtain a list of the exhibiting crafters, which includes their category, where they are from and their contact information.

More information will be available in the coming weeks. Visit the websites for the Chamber at www.grandhavenchamber.org or Festival at www.coastguardfest.org. For questions regarding the exhibitor application, please contact Mary Sherman at msherman@grandhavenchamber.org or call 616.842.4910.

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