

Das Maifest

Presented by The American Center for German Culture at The Columbus Maennerchor
966 South High Street, Columbus, Ohio 43206 Phone: 614-444-3531

Participant Information

Saturday, May 20

11AM – 11PM

You are invited to apply for a booth location in the third Annual American Center for German Culture Das Maifest.

Carefully review the following information. If you are able to comply with the requirements and parameters, we encourage you to apply. For additional information, please contact Kristy Harris at 614-263-7420 or Katie O'Keefe at 614-263-8293. You may also e-mail us at merchants@dasmaifest.com or autokrat@dasmaifest.com.

Deadline for applications is - Thursday, April 20, 2006.

Applications received after this date will be considered only if space allows. Please call if your application will be late.

Hours of Operation:

May 20, 2006 11 AM - 8 PM

Booths open for set up at 8 AM

All vendors must remain open for the entire event.

Procedure:

The Maifest committee will review applications. Applicants will be notified no later than May 10, 2006. Vendors selected will be sent a booth specifications kit, including an event contract.

Site/Booth Placement:

Maifest 2006 will be held in and around the grounds of The Columbus Maennerchor, 966 S. High St., Columbus, OH 43206.

Event layout is at the discretion of the Maifest committee based on various operational and layout considerations.

Participants:

Selection of participants in the 2006 Maifest is based on the following:

- Compliance with rules outlined in the application form
- Uniqueness, quality and price/value relationship of items

- Stated booth decorations

Booth Decorations:

In an effort to promote the cultural mix of a medieval festival in Germany, booths are to be decorated in an attractive, professional manner with an effort to promote the ethnicity of the people and the goods attending the festival. Prices must be prominently displayed. Hand calligraphied or professionally printed signs are acceptable. Handwritten signs on posterboards are not acceptable. The Merchant's Liaison will hold final approval of all booth decorations.

Booth Rental Fees:

1. 10 x 8 Booth \$50.00

one (1) 8 ft. table and two (2) chairs.

(Members of the Columbus Maennerchor, deduct \$30.00)

2. 10 x 16 Booth \$100.00

two (2) 8 ft. tables and four (4) chairs

(Members of the Columbus Maennerchor, deduct \$60.00)

3. 10 x 10 Outside Booth – \$20.00

A limited number of outside spaces will be made available. No electricity or shelter will be provided, but you may bring your own shelter and/or generator. There will be no inside rain site or refunds for these booths.

Extra Tables are \$10.00 each

Extra Chairs are \$5.00 each

- Electrical service within 25 ft. provided to all booths (except those outside), vendors will be required to provide their own extension cords.
 - Additional booth requirements could result in additional charges to the vendor.
- A \$20 deposit is required with the return of application to reserve booth. Make checks payable to the American Center for German Culture (ACGC).
 - Monies will be returned if not selected for participation.
 - Full payment must be received with completed contract, no later than Monday May 15, 2006.

Operations:

Participants must comply with local fire, safety and health regulations. It is presumed that each merchant will have their own applicable insurance for their displayed goods and employees. By signing the contract after acceptance of your application, you release The American Center for German Culture and The Columbus Maennerchor from responsibility and liability.

Participant Attire:

- Booth managers with the ability to make decisions and act in the absence of the owner must be designated for the day.
- Participant may utilize ethnic music or merchant chants at the discretion of the autokrat of the event. In no way should these forms of communication be boisterous or interfere with the trade of other merchants. Please refrain from using PA systems.
- Participant shall not possess alcohol in the booth area. Any alcohol brought onto premises is a violation of this event's liquor license.
- All participants must be dressed in appropriate attire to promote the ambiance of the event. Shirts and shoes must be worn at all times. Please do not wear shirts without sleeves.
- Ethnic wear specific to your goods, your own culture or the Germanic Culture are encouraged.
- As this event is being presented with a medieval flavor, feel free to dress in medieval costume.

Trash Disposal:

Each vendor is responsible for collecting and bagging their own trash. Vendors must provide their own trash bags and notify 2006 Maifest committee for proper removal from their booth area.

Inspections:

The 2006 Maifest committee will perform a final inspection prior to opening of the day.

Promotion:

The 2006 Maifest will list your company or organization in one issue of our bi-monthly newsletter (approx. 900 distribution)

We will list you on our website www.DasMaifest.com from acceptance of your application until January of 2007.

Commercial Sponsorships:

Various areas of the 2006 Maifest are available for Corporate Sponsorship, i.e. Entrance, Maifest Royal Court, Maifest Evening Dance, German Wine Tasting. Also accepted are items for raffle. Contact Katie O'Keefe 614-226-2934 or e-mail autokrat@dasmaifest.com.

No recognition of any company or organization will be permitted on the event site except as recognized in the booth name (brand names or logos other than your own are prohibited).

Cancellation Policy:

Participant will provide in writing, to the 2006 Das Maifest a minimum of 10 days notice of cancellation. The deadline for cancellation is May 10, 2006. All monies paid to The American Center for German Culture 2006 Maifest will be returned to the participant within 10 days of cancellation. A cancellation without said notice will result in a breach of contract and all monies paid to 2006 Maifest will not be returned.