



## **GOTG 2025 Makers Village Artisan-Vendor Contract and Application**

### **Event Information**

The Makers Village will showcase exceptional craftsmanship from Cincinnati-area artisans, selected through a jury process led by Cynthia Amneus, Chief Curator at the Cincinnati Art Museum. This event supports and celebrates contemporary fine craft, with a focus on unique works demonstrating high skill in craftsmanship.

- **Event Date:** September 13, 2025
- **Location:** Weavers Guild House & Grounds, 4870 Gray Road, Cincinnati, OH, 45232
- **Event Time:** 10 AM to 5 PM
- **Booth Fee:** \$75
- **Booth Setup:** Artisans must supply their own 10' x 10' tent and display materials. One table and two chairs will be provided.
- **Sales:** Artisans handle all sales directly. Note: Wi-Fi is not guaranteed, and electricity will not be provided.

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### **Important Dates**

- **Application Deadline:** February 15, 2025
- **Notice of Acceptance:** March 15, 2025
- **Event Date:** September 13, 2025

Please fill out the following page 2, scan, attach at least 3 images (labeled as directed below), and send to: [GOTGCINCY@GMAIL.COM](mailto:GOTGCINCY@GMAIL.COM)

### ARTISAN-VENDOR APPLICATION

I am requesting an event space at the Makers Village for the 2025 Gathering of the Guilds on September 13, 2025. I have read the GOTG Artisan-Vendor Contract and agree to its terms. I will ensure that my booth is staffed at all times.

Artisan Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

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Cell Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Website: \_\_\_\_\_

Facebook/Instagram: \_\_\_\_\_

Art or Craft Media/Material: \_\_\_\_\_

Include at least 3 clear images representative of the work that you will offer for sale in the Makers Village. Label each image in this format: last name\_first initial\_item number (for example, Smyth\_A\_3.jpg). Include an estimated price for each item in your representative inventory.

#1 Item description: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#2 Item description: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

#3 Item description: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Item description: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Item description: \_\_\_\_\_ Price: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_

## **GOTG Makers Village Artisan Vendor Contract**

### **EVENT**

Gathering of the Guilds Festival (“GOTG” or the “Event”) is hosted by, and on the property of, the Weavers Guild of Greater Cincinnati (“WGGC”), 4870 Gray Road, Cincinnati, OH 45232 and is scheduled for Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 10 am to 5 pm.

The Event will include a Makers Village featuring high-end, handcrafted, juried items, offered by Artisan-Vendors; food trucks; a Guild Tent for non-profit organizations; tours of the WGGC Guild House; and demonstrations throughout the day.

### **MAKERS VILLAGE SPACES**

To be a GOTG Artisan-Vendor, an applicant must provide images of representative artwork and be selected through a JURYING process. Submitting an application does not ensure acceptance to participate in the Event. The Makers Village will focus on high-end, original work that exhibits each artist’s mastery of their craft.

For a \$75 Artisan-Vendor Space Rental Fee, WGGC will provide each Artisan-Vendor with the following:

- 10’x10’ Artisan-Vendor Event Space
- Two folding chairs and a table
- Marketing (print, radio, TV, signs)

The Artisan-Vendor will provide a 10’x10’ tent, any additional tables, signs, and supplies needed for their Artisan-Vendor Space and for handling all sales for their business. Should an Artisan-Vendor require a double space, a 10’x20’ area can be provided for an Artisan-Vendor Space Rental Fee of \$150.

### **CANCELLATION BY ARTISAN-VENDORS**

As occupancy of the Artisan-Vendor’s Event Space is the essence of this Contract, no refunds shall be made in connection with any Space Rental Fee after the acceptance of said fee by the Weavers Guild of Greater Cincinnati or the GOTG Organizers except as otherwise provided in this Contract.

### **FORCE MAJEURE**

In case of cancellation of the Event or unavailability of the Event Space for specified use due to war, governmental action or order, act of God including, but not limited to, weather or fire, strikes or labor disputes, or any other cause beyond the control of the WGGC or the GOTG Organizers, this Agreement shall terminate, and the Artisan-Vendor shall be entitled to the return of the Space Rental Fee. In case of damage to the Artisan-Vendor or Artisan-Vendor’s property through war, governmental action or order, act of God, including, but not limited to, weather or fire, strikes or labor disputes, or any other cause beyond the control of the WGGC or the GOTG Organizers, the Artisan-Vendor expressly waives all liability and completely releases and holds harmless the WGGC and the GOTG Organizers of and from any and all claims for damage to person and property and agrees that the WGGC and the GOTG Organizers shall have no liability whatsoever.

## **SALE OF PRODUCT**

Artisan-Vendors are responsible for all their transactions, sales taxes, and personal cash needs. Wi-Fi service will not be guaranteed during the Event. Artisan-Vendors should be prepared to use cell phone data service to conduct electronic transactions. All prices must conform to the listed prices on the Application, and only products consistent with and/or equivalent to the work as presented in the Application for jury consideration will be allowed for sale. All work must be hand-crafted by the Artisan-Vendor. Artisan-Vendors keep 100% of their sales.

## **SPACE ASSIGNMENTS**

The GOTG Organizers have complete control of Event diagrams and space assignment. The GOTG Organizers reserve the right to make modifications on Event diagrams which are believed to be accurate but only warranted to be approximate. Further, the GOTG Organizers reserve the right to assign space(s) in such a manner as they deem appropriate in their sole and absolute discretion.

## **ASSIGNMENT, SUBLETTING OF EVENT SPACE**

No Artisan-Vendor shall assign, sublet, or share their Event Space without the knowledge and prior consent of the GOTG Organizers and formal jury process. No products, parts, accessories or other goods, souvenirs, catalogues, etc., bearing names or other forms of advertising other than that of the Artisan-Vendor may be displayed. No Artisan-Vendor that is not assigned an Event Space shall be permitted to solicit or conduct business within the Event areas.

## **USE OF SPACE**

The GOTG Organizers, at their sole discretion, reserve the right to require the Artisan-Vendor to remove from the Event any exhibits which, because of safety issues, noise, method of operation, materials, or features of the display, in the opinion of the GOTG Organizers, may detract from the general character of the Event as a whole. The GOTG Organizers reserve the right to prohibit the use of any equipment that is deemed unsafe or appears to be inappropriate, in the GOTG Organizers' judgment. All equipment and heavy machinery must be approved in writing, in advance of the Event, by the GOTG Organizers. All of an Artisan-Vendor's demonstrations or promotional activities must be confined within the limits of their assigned Artisan-Vendor Event Space, unless as planned by and in conjunction with one of the Partners in the Guild Tent. Artisan-Vendor demonstrations or activities will not be permitted if they cause annoyance to neighboring Artisan-Vendors or Merchants, for example, with flashing lights or noise, if they result in obstruction of walk space, or if they prevent ready access to a nearby booth.

## **LIABILITY & INSURANCE**

Under no circumstances shall the WGGC or the GOTG Organizers, nor their representatives, nor Partners, nor sponsors of the Event be responsible for any injury, loss, or damage that may occur to an Artisan-Vendor or an Artisan-Vendor's agents, representatives, or property from any cause whatsoever. It is each Artisan-Vendor's responsibility to protect equipment, machinery, perishables, and exhibits so that no injury will result to persons or property. If an Artisan-Vendor's property does not appear to be properly maintained, it must be withdrawn from the Event site. All property of the Artisan-Vendor, including foodstuffs and other perishables, is understood to remain in the Artisan-

Vendor's care, custody, and control in transit to, from, or within the confines of the Event area subject to the Rules and Regulations herein. Artisan-Vendors, on signing the Application, expressly release, hold, keep, save harmless, and indemnify the foregoing persons and entities, named organizations and committees, and individuals from and against all claims for such a loss, damage, or injury.

The WGGC follows the U.S. Centers for Disease Control and Prevention guidelines regarding infectious diseases, including but not limited to COVID-19, and Artisan-Vendors agree that they will abide by any health policies announced by the WGGC.

**EACH ARTISAN-VENDOR UNDERSTANDS AND VOLUNTARILY ASSUMES THE RISK(S) OF CONTAGIOUS DISEASES, INCLUDING COVID-19, AND, BY PARTICIPATING IN THE EVENT, HOLDS HARMLESS THE WGGC AND GOTG ORGANIZERS FROM THE RISK OF BECOMING EXPOSED TO AN INFECTIOUS DISEASE DUE TO THE EVENT.**

### **INSTALLATION OF THE ARTISAN-VENDOR EVENT SPACES**

Load-in for all Artisan-Vendors will be as follows:

- The hours of set-up are 7 am-9:30 am Saturday, September 13, 2025 (unless an earlier time has been arranged by the GOTG Organizers).
- All Artisan-Vendor spaces must be completely set up by 10 am on Saturday, September 13, 2025.
- Vehicles will be parked in designated parking areas and not on the grounds of the WGGC. All vehicles must be moved to the permanent parking area by 9:30 am.

Please prepare for inclement weather. If your tent has sidewalls, bring them in case you need to install protection from rain. The Makers Village will be located on the lawn of the Weavers Guild and not on an asphalted area. The lawn may be uneven; bring adjustable risers or other devices in case you need to level your table(s).

The WGGC and the GOTG Organizers will not be responsible for any lost, stolen, or damaged items, and the Artisan-Vendor hereby waives and releases the WGGC and the GOTG Organizers from any and all claims arising therefrom.

The festival hours of operation will be Saturday, September 13, 2025, from 10 am to 5 pm on the property of the WGGC.

Load-out will commence at 5:15 pm Saturday, September 13, 2025. Artisan-Vendors may request special approval from the GOTG Organizers, at their sole discretion, to close early in case of emergency, dangerous inclement weather, or any other contingency. Load-out with a vehicle may only begin when the crowd has cleared and the GOTG Organizers give each Artisan-Vendor express permission. Any items unclaimed by any Artisan-Vendor by 8 am the day after the Event shall become the property of the WGGC, unless prior arrangements have been made.

Artisan-Vendors are responsible for leaving their areas free of litter and debris.

**POWER AND INTERNET NEEDS**

Artisan-Vendors in the Makers Village will not have access to electrical power. Electrical power sources are very limited on the grounds and are primarily dedicated to the Guild Tent area. Please make provisions for battery-operated items as needed to power smart phones, etc. Generators that emit noise will not be allowed in the Makers Village.

Wi-Fi service will not be guaranteed. Be prepared to use cell-phone data service to conduct electronic transactions.

**NOTE: ARTISAN-VENDOR WILL NOT BE GUARANTEED AN EVENT SPACE UNTIL  
SELECTED THROUGH THE JURY PROCESS AND ALL FEES ARE RECEIVED.**