

The primary purpose of the Omaha Farmers Market is to provide access to fresh, local food and handmade goods to the Omaha community and to create an avenue for growers, bakers and artisans to reach that community. Vendors pay for the privilege of being at the Market. Buskers are an important asset to the atmosphere of the Market, but because they do not pay to perform, the rights of the Vendors take precedence over the rights of the Buskers.

- 1. Busking at the Omaha Farmers Market is first come, first serve. The Market reserves the right to limit the total number of buskers at any one time and may reserve spots for invited performers.
- 2. All buskers must check in, before setting up, at the Omaha Farmers Market information booth each week. Buskers must have an application on file and must notify the Market of the desired performance area. You will be given a lanyard that must be worn while performing. Should the lanyard need to be replaced, there will be a \$3 replacement fee. You may not perform without the lanyard. There are four dedicated Busking spots on Saturday and two on Sunday. More may be available if space allows. Additional busking space availability is the decision of the on-site management.
- 3. All buskers must cooperate with adjacent vendors. Should the Omaha Farmers Market receive one (1) complaint from any vendor regarding a performance, the onsite manager will investigate and determine appropriate action. If the problem continues after onsite manager intervention, the busker will be asked to leave the Market for the day. Repeated complaints by vendors will result in the busker being barred from the Market for the remainder of the season.
- 4. All material must be considered family-friendly. Obscenity or indecency will not be tolerated.
- 5. Buskers are allowed to collect tips. Performers cannot ask for money or require payment, but may place a donation basket in one location; it cannot be passed around. CD sales are permitted. It is the responsibility of the busker to report all income, including tips, to the state tax commission.
- 6. Market Staff has the authority to move and reassign performer spots to enhance or facilitate market operations.
- 7. Buskers must play acoustically. No amplification is allowed. Percussion is allowed with approval by the on-site Market staff.
- 8. **Buskers must move locations every hour but may not walk around and perform**. On Saturday you should rotate counter-clockwise. The idea is to create an atmosphere filled with a variety of performers. Please be courteous and relocate without being asked.
- 9. Any Busker who the on-site Market staff determines is not complying with the Market rules may be asked to leave, especially if the performance interferes with market operations or any vendor's ability to do business. The performance area should not block the flow of traffic and it is the busker's responsibility to ensure this.
- 10. The Omaha Farmers Market is not liable for any injury, theft, or damage to either the busker or their property arising out of or pertaining to preparation for or participation in the Omaha Farmers Market; whether such injury, theft, or damage occurred prior, during, or after the Omaha Farmers Market, the busker agrees to indemnify and hold the Omaha Farmers Market harmless for and against any claims for such injury, theft, or damage. All personal property, including, but not limited to, instruments, must be kept with the busker at all times.
- 11. Buskers are not allowed to bring any motorized vehicles into the Market. Public parking facilities are available in surrounding parking structures and on the street. Check with the on-site Market staff for information about available parking facilities or visit our website: www.omahafarmersmarket.com.
- 12. Buskers may not erect any tent, easy-up, or structure of any kind. Small umbrellas are permissible. No tables or other such set ups are permitted.
- 13. Groups of four or more must ask special permission to set up at the Market due to space limitations and sound levels. On-site Managers reserve the right to monitor set up and sound levels and ask for reduced volume.
- 14. Knives, swords, torches, flames, axes, saws or other objects that can cause bodily injury to any person are prohibited.
- 15. The Omaha Farmers Market currently does not have a license to allow performances of copyrighted music. Musicians may ONLY perform original music or music in the Public Domain (any song or musical work published in 1922 or earlier).
- 16. The Omaha Farmers Market reserves the right to refuse participation to any who do not comply with market rules, regulations or meet market standards which include, but are not limited to, adhering to all local, city, state, and federal laws.
- 17. The Omaha Farmers Market reserves the right to deny busking space to any performer at any time.