

Old Lyme Midsummer Festival 2026: Vendor Procedures

Saturday, July 25th, 2026, from 9 AM to 3 PM (Rain or Shine)

The Old Lyme Midsummer Festival is back! The festival celebrates all that makes Old Lyme special: incredible art and history, a beautiful environment, thriving nonprofits, creative businesses, and a vibrant community. The festival takes place in the heart of Old Lyme's Arts District on Lyme Street, on the grounds of the Lyme Art Association, the Old Lyme Inn, the Florence Griswold Museum, and the Roger Tory Peterson Estuary Center.

Application Process: This year, we are accepting and reviewing applications for booth space. Booth spaces are available for artists, artisans, local vendors, nonprofits, farmers, musicians, and food trucks. Nonprofits are required to provide a family activity for the festival's "Hands On Minds On" program.

Applications will be accepted through April 30th.

Please Note: Space assignments will be based on availability. Submitting an application does not guarantee a space. Assignment of booth spaces is solely at the discretion of the Old Lyme Midsummer Festival Committee.

Booths: Booth spaces will be located on the lawns in front of the Lyme Art Association, Old Lyme Inn, Florence Griswold Museum, and Roger Tory Peterson Estuary Center. Food trucks will be located at the Florence Griswold Museum.

Each space is approximately 12' x 12'. Tents, tables, chairs, etc. are NOT provided, so you will have to bring your own. No electricity nor assistance with setup or take down is provided. Unless you specifically reserve a space as a food vendor, no sale of food or beverages is allowed. We cannot guarantee shade, nor can we guarantee that the ground will be entirely even.

Fees: You only pay when you are approved for a space. Upon approval, you will be sent payment directions. No refunds will be provided in the event of adverse weather or cancellation for any reason by the vendor.

- Nonprofit Organizations - \$50 per space*
- Members of the Lyme Art Association or the Lyme Artisans Guild - \$50 per space
- Town of Old Lyme commissions - no fee
- All Other Vendors - \$100 per space
- Food Trucks - non-refundable \$75 deposit

**For inclusion in the festival, nonprofit organizations must include a family-friendly activity.*

Set Up: Each vendor will be provided with one parking space at their assigned venue. All other vehicles must park off site. Public festival parking locations will be shared, along with a festival bus route. Vendor displays are on Saturday only. No assistance will be provided for set up or take down.

If you have any questions, please contact: Franki Nebel at franki@lymeartassociation.org.

Participation is at each individual's own risk. The Midsummer Festival Committee, the Old Lyme Arts District, the Town of Old Lyme, the Lyme Art Association, the Old Lyme Inn, the Florence Griswold Museum, and the Roger Tory Peterson Estuary Center are not responsible for any claim of loss or damage of any kind whatsoever or claim of personal injury.