

## Vendor Information for KarmaFest UNITY June 28th and 29th at STEPPINGSTONE FAQs

### **Hello Beautiful KarmaFest Vendor!**

Thank you for signing up to be a vendor at KarmaFest UNITY taking place at Steppingstone on June 28th and 29th, 2025. We could not do KarmaFest without you and we are so grateful for all of you. Below is SOME information for the event and more will surely follow, though this should get you started:

### **What's The Address For Karmafest UNITY 2024:**

STEPPINGSTONE FARM MUSEUM  
461 QUAKER BOTTOM RD  
HAVRE DE GRACE, MD 21078

### **What Days/Times Can I Set Up?**

Below are times when you can come in to work on your space. A few things to keep in mind is that we too will be making the space ready for KarmaFest, so we pray you are patient with us in this regard, especially if you come in for early set-up on Friday evening.

**ARRIVING FRIDAY EVENING BETWEEN 5PM TO 8PM**

**ARRIVING SATURDAY MORNING BETWEEN 7AM AND 8AM**

**\*\*BEING SET UP BY 9AM BOTH SATURDAY AND SUNDAY MORNINGS\*\***

FYI: YOU CAN ARRIVE BETWEEN 8AM – 9AM IF YOU ALREADY FOUND YOUR SPACE ON FRIDAY EVENING

### **Where Is My Space?**

You will have assigned spots and they will be presented to you upon arrival.

When you arrive you simply give us the **name of the person who registered** and/or the name of your business. We tend to organize by name of the person who registered. If you are unsure what name that is, or what name your business is under, please email me back.

### **What Size Is My Space?**

Outside Vendor Spots are approximately 10x10 in size unless you have paid and indicated otherwise, i.e. paid for Double Space or you have an unusual size canopy. If you have an unusual size canopy, email me back so I can

indicate that on your form. So again, Outdoor Space is 10x10, Pavilion Space is 10x8, Indoor Reader's Space is 10x4, Indoor Space is 10x8.

### **Where do I go once I get there?**

Enter the main entrance of Steppingstone and proceed forward until you see a KarmaFest Volunteer for check in. This is near the fork at the end of the lane. It's a long lane.

We will check you in from there and tell you the best route to get you safely to your space. We will also advise you on your vendor helpers at that time. Since Vendor Helpers sometimes arrive at different times of the day, please advise them when they do arrive, they will need to check in by giving the vendor name of the person who registered and/or your business name. They will be given an armband. From that point you can let them know where to find you.

### **What Are The Hours of KarmaFest?**

**10 – 10 SAT**

**10 – 8 SUN**

### **What Can I Break Down?**

We do not expect you to last until 10pm on Saturday though those that stay do tend to benefit in sales and services! We do ask that you stay until at least 8pm (or dark) on Saturday evening. If you need to leave your space prior to that, you can cover up your valuables and/or walk them out. However, no vehicles can come into the vendor areas on Saturday evening until 9pm. No vehicles can come into the vendor areas on Sunday until 8pm.

**A REMINDER: You cannot bring your car to your area within the festival grounds, for any reason, while the festival is running.** It is against the law to be driving through the festival during festival hours. We want to do our best to comply with all of the rules so we can continue to come back to this beautiful place.

### **What Do I Do With My Stuff At The End Of The Day Saturday If We Can't Break Down?**

On Saturday night, vendors often do a "partial breakdown" by taking any valuables with you when you leave or placing them under your tables.

After the festival is over on Saturday, the "grounds" will be locked and semi-secured, and a few volunteers, including Patti will be staying there for security. That being said, we have never had any theft problems at KarmaFest, so do know your things should be relatively safe (though I cannot guarantee anything, so use your best judgment of what to take and what to leave).

Most vendors leave their tents and canopies and tables up Saturday night (depending on the weather forecast) and, again, do a "partial breakdown" at that time.

Please make sure your canopies and tents are weighted down for weather during the show and lower canopies in the evenings.

**In sum: You should plan to stay until at least 8pm on both Saturday and Sunday.**

### **Can I Drive My Car To My Space Saturday Night To Load Up The Products I Want To Take With Me?**

We encourage you to bring hand trucks, wagons, and the like to move your things to and from your spot during the show. You may bring your car on the property **ONLY** after the festival is over (approximately 9:00pm on Saturday and 8pm on Sunday).

**You must leave the festival grounds by 9:30pm on Sunday. Please keep that in mind and start your process in time for that goal.**

### **Can I Just Park My Car At My Space During The Show?**

No. No vehicles are allowed on the festival grounds during the show. We have designated parking areas for you to park your car.

### **Do You Have A Canopy/Tent, Tables, Chairs I Can Borrow?**

No, we do not supply canopies/ tents.

If you are an INDOOR SPACE and have requested a table in **advance** (paid for it), they will be provided. Indoor Spaces get chairs, regardless. Everyone else are on their own when it comes to tables, chairs, canopies, etc. However, PAVILION SPACE vendors can have access to our Large Clunky Picnic Tables. If you want to use one or two of these, please email me back and LMK. They are there so if you can utilize them for showing product, as your table space, or for a sitting area, please do.

### **Is Electricity Available?**

Electricity is available for INDOOR and PAVILION Spaces; however, you need to bring your own extension cord and a power strip. I personally feel we should be more natural at KarmaFest and go without electricity.

Please do not ask for electricity if your only reason is to charge your phone. Electricity IS an option for INDOOR, PAVILION, and FOOD spaces only (bring long extension cord and power strip).

OUTDOOR vendors wanting electricity should plan to bring a generator if they really feel they cannot go without it. FOOD VENDORS can use electricity or generators.

Please plan to secure down any wires, for safety. Blue painter's tape is the best for this!

Unfortunately, KarmaFest Staff cannot take time out to help you hook up to electric.

### **I Need To Charge My Phone. Is There A Place To Charge My Phone?**

No. However, there are a host of great products which run on batteries and solar for OUTDOOR vendors ~ These Are Encouraged!

### **Can I Bring A Computer To Play Promotional Videos At My Spot?**

KarmaFest discourages anyone using computers at their stations in general, and any PROMOS coming from a computer at your station is highly discouraged.

Of course, electronics for touchless payments are a great way to go these days. And if your vending has something you need to do on a computer (like astrology graphs or images) then of course you may use.

### **Is There An ATM Available?**

Yes.

There will be an ATM at the park office by the KarmaFest information booth.

### **I Am A Food Vendor. Do I Need A Food License?**

Yes.

Food Vendors need to get a **Temporary Food License from The Harford County Health Department**. If you are exempt from that for any reason, you should be ready to communicate with the Health Department **BEFORE** as well as at the time of their site inspection. **Food Vendors have already been sent the documents via email.**

### **How Many Helpers Am I Allowed To Have At My Spot?**

MOST vendor spaces get a **maximum of THREE PEOPLE** at their spot (including you) and any additional people will need to pay for a ticket. In sum, **TWO VENDOR HELPERS each day for most vendor spaces (see exceptions below)**. We will be keeping a list of your vendor helpers as they come in. Any over the VENDOR HELPER limit for your type of space will need to pay to get in.

Please communicate your location to your helpers. This helps keep things moving quickly. Good communication between you and them, via text, is the way to go. **Also, let them know how to check in by giving YOUR NAME (the person who registered) and THE BUSINESS NAME.**

\*There are some exceptions regarding the number of VENDOR HELPERS per vendor space. **If you paid for a DOUBLE SPACE you get twice the number. If you are FOOD VENDOR you can have extra helpers.** Any additional helpers above and beyond that can simply pay entrance fee upon entry.

### **Can I Camp At My Spot?**

No.

There is no camping at Steppingstone Farm Museum unfortunately, though luckily there is camping at Susquehanna State Park which is attached to the venue grounds ~ though accessible by car ~ not by foot.

Many KarmaFest Vendors AND Participants are camping at Susquehanna State Park this year, because it is so convenient!

If you are doing so, please be good ambassadors of KarmaFest and be kind and loving and considerate while there. There should still be spaces available at the campground so do make contact with them if you want to stay over at the campground: [Camping \(maryland.gov\)](http://Camping.maryland.gov)

If you need overnight accommodations, and do not wish to camp, we recommend getting a hotel **NEAR RIPKEN STADIUM** in the Aberdeen Area (I-95 exit 85) or you can try an AirBnB in Havre de Grace, MD (I-95 exit 89). The hotels near Ripken Stadium are the newest and nicest and safest hotels in the area.

### **I Know Someone Who Would Like To Volunteer. Who Should They Get In Contact With?**

Anyone you know who would like to become a volunteer for KarmaFest can contact Patti at [patti@karmafest.com](mailto:patti@karmafest.com).

### **What Can I Do To Help Advertise The Show?**

Most KarmaFest Vendors have already requested KarmaFest Flyers and/or posters for advertising. If you have not, and want some, please email [patti@karmafest.com](mailto:patti@karmafest.com) and we will have some sent to you, asap.

When advertising that you'll be vending KarmaFest, please refer people back to the KarmaFest Website: [www.karmafest.com/tickets](http://www.karmafest.com/tickets) for all information.

**Also, when it comes to advertising, FACEBOOK is a great source to spread the word. Our "main" invite is:** <https://www.facebook.com/events/1358829985286174/> Please indicate you are "going" (not just interested)! And please INVITE FRIENDS who may be interested. That helps spread the word most efficiently.

Also, there is a general FACEBOOK KarmaFest Page you can join: [www.facebook.com/KarmaFest](http://www.facebook.com/KarmaFest), and a FACEBOOK Page for the event itself ~ search KarmaFest UNITY 2025 Last Chance Last Dance

Finally, KarmaFest is on Instagram so please feel free to tag it!

@KARMAFEST\_ #karmafest\_ #karmafestrocks #ilovekarmafest #karmafestunity2023 #karmafestatsteppingstone #karmafesthavredegrace #karmafestunityjune #karmafestlastchancelastdance #lastchancelastdance (or anything similar that sounds fun!)

### **Do You Provide Table Clothes?**

No.

We do not provide table clothes but encourage you to decorate your space in unique and fun ways. This is an OUTDOOR festival and has a festival vibe so think “festival” and not conference/convention. Feel free to bring plants and rugs to make your space more welcoming.

### **Is there Wi-Fi?**

No.

Steppingstone does not have Wi-Fi. I’ve done KarmaFests at a variety of venues and no venue “guarantees WiFi” for they do not want to have to deal with the idea of that WiFi going down during a weekend event, etc.

Check your local library! Most public libraries have hotspots that are available to check out. Remember, there is no electricity outside. OUTDOOR vendors wishing to do this will need to bring their own power to support such devices. Or bring your own WiFi Hot Spot or use your phone internet.

### **I Have A Pavilion Space. Can I Use One Of These Picnic Tables?**

Yes.

You can use the picnic tables that are available as part of your set-up: these are very large picnic tables (8 feet – maybe more) with the benches attached.

You can also bring your own tables to use in place of the large picnic table and/or in conjunction with it. Remember to bring chairs, as well.

### **What If I Run Into An Issue During Set-Up Date/Times?**

If you run into a major issue during set-up, please TEXT ONLY Patti at 410-446-2569, if you cannot find help from a KarmaFest Volunteer.

We will not be available to answer the phone during the melee, so text is best.

Any need to make contact during the festival please go to The KarmaFest Information Desk at the Main Entrance/Check In. There will be signs.

### **What If It Rains?**

KarmaFest is a RAIN OR SHINE Event and there are Absolutely No Refunds