



2026 Clifford Brown Jazz Festival

Vendor Application

August 2 – 8, 2026



Please send completed applications to:

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APPLICATIONS ACCEPTED BY EMAIL AND TRADITIONAL

MAIL **Application Due Date: June 30, 2026**

TO BE CONSIDERED FOR VENDING OPPORTUNITIES APPLICANTS MUST return the application by the due date listed above.

- Ø Completed and Signed Vendor Event Form
- Ø Cashier's/Certified Check or Money Order – made payable to Cityfest, Inc. (Credit Card Payments Accepted)
- Ø City of Wilmington Business License (Return Copy With Application)
- Ø Proof of Liability Insurance and Worker's Compensation
- Ø Hold Harmless and Indemnity Clause
- Ø Board of Health License (Food Vendors Only – Must be faxed no later than two weeks prior to event.
- Ø Completed List of Goods to Be Sold

The selection process is very competitive due to limited spacing. We reserve the right to ask the vendor to amend items for sale so that we can ensure a variety of goods will be available to our festivalgoers. All fees will be refunded in the event.

Contact: _____

Company: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code _____

Telephone : (Day) _____ (Evening) _____

Email Address: _____

On Site Vehicle Tag # _____

Do you have a City of Wilmington Business License: [Yes] [No]

If **yes**, please provide the City of Wilmington Business License # _____

If **no**, you will be required to hold a City of Wilmington Temporary vending permit for a fee of \$25.00.

Board of Health Temporary Permit # _____

Insurer: _____ Policy # _____

IMPORTANT REMINDER: ALL VENDORS ARE SELF-CONTAINED

All Summer Festivals are held rain or shine. Please judge your participation accordingly.

No Electric is Available

No Water is Available

No Dumping of Any Kind (Water or Grease)

Clean your vending area

Keep all items coolers, tables, etc. inside designated area. (Do Not Place on Sidewalk)

Take all belongings at conclusion of event/breakdown

Vendor must have a flame resistant tent

No Staking Permitted – must come with required weight system for your tent (at least 50lbs.) Generator must be inspected. Please come prepared with Sound-Extenuating

Generator.

NOTE: KEEP PAGES 1 and 5 FOR YOUR RECORDS AND MAKE COPIES OF EACH EVENT APPLICATION YOU SUBMIT!

RULES AND REGULATIONS – PLEASE INITIAL AND SIGN

All Summer Festivals are in outdoor venues and will operate rain or shine. Initial _____

Each Vendor location/space is one (1) – 10 foot by 10-foot area only. Initial _____

Vendors must include storage within booth set-up. Initial _____

No storage will be allowed behind or outside of booth Initial _____

All vendors will be assigned a space by the Cultural Affairs Office Initial _____

Dumping is PROHIBITED including oils, grease, coals, ice, trash, etc. onto festival grounds, sewers and portable toilets Initial _____

Vendors, who use cooking oil, must cover their cooking area.
Example: Roofing/Tar paper. It can be purchased at your local hardware store. Initial _____

Participating vendors shall be responsible for cleaning around their general vending area at the end of each night Initial _____

There are NO water, electrical or telephone hook-ups available Initial _____

Vendors with edible goods must have current license issued by the State Board of Health. Call Environmental Health Dept. at 302-283-7110. **Health permits are due two (2) weeks prior to event OR YOU WILL FORFEIT YOUR VENDOR’S LOCATION AND FEES.** Initial _____

Security Deposit: Participating vendors who use cooking oils or grease will be required to pay an additional security fee of \$100 in the event of spills that may occur where upon the cost of cleanup is incurred by the City of Wilmington. Fee is refundable

Initial _____

Vendors must show proof of Insurance and Worker's Compensation as outlined on page 3 of this document.

Initial _____

Vendors must have a current City of Wilmington Business License or Special Events License from the Department of License and Inspection.

Initial _____

Vendors can only sell items that were approved on application.

Initial _____

There will be a designated time for load in and load out.

Initial _____

**All Vendor Parking will be available in designated area.
There will be no support vehicles in vending areas.**

RULES AND REGULATIONS (CON'T) – PLEASE INITIAL AND SIGN

Vendors must adhere to set-up and tear down times for each event. If vendors arrive late, you must forfeit day of setup with no refund

Initial _____

Vendor understands this is an opportunity share goods, information and products with interested festival patrons and other vendors are entitled to same rights

Initial _____

Vendor will, in no way, infringe on any patrons' enjoyments or any other vendors right to vend. Should this occur, I understand that I have waived my rights as a vendor and shall be removed from property and no refund shall be given.

Initial _____

Proof of Insurance: General liability (\$1,000,000 minimum) naming the City of Wilmington and Cityfest, Inc. as additional insured on the policy. **There will be no exceptions.** If participating in more than one event, it may be more convenient to list them at the time of securing your policy. If you have any questions, regarding insurance requirements, please contact Norma Ramirez at the City's Risk Management Office 302-576-2460.

Initial _____

Workers Compensation Statue: If this applies to your operation, you must also provide \$100,000 employer's liability.

Initial _____

We appreciate your interests and wanted to provide further information about the vendor selection process. Although Cityfest Inc. has its own 501c3 designation and is overseen and coordinated by a Board of Directors, the City of Wilmington's event vendor selection process has been adopted by Cityfest Inc. In addition to limited spacing, vendor's technical feasibility and electrical requirements, which may vary from event to event, the following considerations, form the primary basis for vendor selection:

- Overall menu balance/product diversity of the festival**
- Previous history with the event**
- Experience with vending at festivals/events**

By signing below, I hereby understand and agree to the terms, rules and regulations outlined in the application. I further understand and acknowledge that the Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs, Cityfest and City of Wilmington may immediately terminate my right to participate in any 2026 Cityfest Inc. Summer Festivals.

Signature of Vendor



WILMINGTON FIRE DEPARTMENT

FIRE PREVENTION DIVISION

The Mayor's Office of Cultural Affairs in accordance with the Wilmington Fire Department/Fire Prevention Division requires that all food vendors review and comply with the special events requirements listed below:

- All food vendors are responsible for obtaining the necessary permits from the Delaware Division of Public Health
- **Every food vendor who cooks with a generator, electrical hook-up or propane shall have 5 lb. multipurpose ABC or BC fire extinguisher readily available. Any use of a fryer will require a Type "K" Extinguisher in addition to the ABC Extinguisher.**
- **Fire extinguishers must be inspected and tagged, within the past year, by a Fire Equipment Company registered in the State of Delaware.**
- If a portable generator is used, no more than 10 gallons of fuel in an Underwriters Laboratory (UL) approved safety container, shall be stored at the vendors space.
- Propane cylinders shall be stored in an upright and secured position
- Exit door and aisles in the tents shall be unobstructed to the vendors at all times.
- No open flames such as candles, lanterns, kerosene or gas fired heaters and cooking equipment are permitted near or under combustible materials (i.e., canopies)
- Hot surfaces from cooking and heating appliances, such as grills, hot plates and coffee makers, shall be blocked so that public is protected from physical contact of these appliances.
- Deep fryers shall have splash covers
- No frayed wires or overloaded extension cords are permitted.
- Decorations on the vendor's carts shall be flame resistant.
- Access to fire hydrants shall remain unobstructed during the event.

*The Fire Marshal's Office will conduct an on-site inspection of vendor's space.
If you have any questions concerning these Life Safety requirements, contact the Fire
Marshal's Office at 302-576-3120 during business hours.*

***FAILURE TO COMPLY WITH THE ABOVE REQUIREMENTS MAY RESULT IN DISMISSAL
FROM EVENT***