

2026 KCFM Artistic Review Process & Request

Thank you for your interest in joining the amazing farmers and artisans at the Kootenai County Farmers Markets!

Due to a great number of new applications each season, we ask that Prospective New Vendors in the Artisan Food and Craft categories electronically submit their products to be juried prior to the new market season. These vendors are now required to submit this Artistic Review Request prior to February 14th, for the 2026 market season. This form should be completed and submitted to the Artistic Review Committee to be considered for our upcoming in-person jury session. Late applications for Artistic Review for new vendors will not be approved for the 2026 season after February 14th, 2026.

Photos and information about all types of products wishing to be sold during the entire market season should be included - do have these ready to send before continuing the following Artistic Review Request application, there will be a section to upload photos at the end of this application. Any products that are not juried will not be allowed for sale.

Approval or denial for Artistic Review Request will be given by email on or before February 22, 2026. Those approved will be invited to our in-person jury.

If qualified, and similar products are not already well represented at the market*, prospective vendors will be invited to attend our in-person jury session on Saturday, March 7, 2026. Products will be dropped off at the beginning of the session, prospective vendors will leave the area, and product as well as approval or denial will be picked up at the end of the Jury Session. There is a \$30 fee charged at this in-person session for new vendors.

Approved Artisan Food and Craft Vendors will then be required to attend our new vendor meeting on Saturday, March 14, 2026. Time and location to be announced.

Products are reviewed by the Kootenai County Farmers Market Artistic Review Committee and are judged for:

Originality of Craft- Is the product unique to our market?

Quality of Craftsmanship- Is the product well made?

Use of homegrown, recycled, foraged, or natural components- The market encourages crafts utilizing these types of recycled or natural materials.

Artistic Element- Does the product reflect true workmanship and artistic talent? New machine and computer assisted crafts are highly discouraged, please read handbook.

Theme (Farmers Market/Garden/Nature/Health)- Does this product fit the feel of a farmer's market?

Location- Is the producer from Kootenai County?

Each of these categories are scored points from 0-5 (Location being worth 2 for residents, 0 for non-residents). A total of 20 points must be achieved at the in-person jury date in order for product to be approved to be sold.

Proper labeling and information for products must be provided as required by law and KCFM Craft Guidelines.

***We highly recommend visiting our farmers markets in order to see if products similar to yours are already being sold. Vendors choosing to apply in these categories will not likely be approved to sell at market during the 2026 season. Agricultural Vendors are always encouraged to apply and also are subject to inspection for value-added agricultural products. Additional guidelines may be found on our website and in our vendor handbook.**

If you are unable to access this form online, please print and complete by hand. Email a copy of completed form and up to 10 product photos to arc.kcfm@gmail.com

Artistic Review Request Application

Name*

Business Name*

Phone*

Email Address*

Address*

County*

Is this a Value Added Agricultural Craft? Is the primary component of this Craft grown by yourself or another vendor of KCFM? *

Products to be Juried*

Source of Product Components - where did you purchase or source your ingredients/materials/etc?*

If this is a food item, do you have **proof** of proper insurance, permits, and health department paperwork? **Currently, the KCFM requires all food products to be produced in a licensed commercial kitchen.***

Where is your product made? Address please if different than above.

Has this product ever been juried by KCFM in the past? If so, when?*

Have you read and understand the Kootenai County Farmers Market Craft Guidelines and most recent Market Handbook? Applications will not be processed unless these have been read.*

PLEASE SEND UP TO 10 PRODUCT PHOTOS TO: **ARC.KCFM@GMAIL.COM**