



Newton County Historical Society

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2026 Vendor Information & Guidelines (Vendors, Demonstrators, Presenters)

Terms & Conditions

Newton County Fairgrounds

April 24-25, 2026

Email: newtoncountyshindig@gmail.com

Definitions

Vendor: An individual selling merchandise or services.

Demonstrator: An individual approved to teach or demonstrate a craft or homesteading skill.

Presenter: An individual approved to give a presentation related to a craft or homesteading skill.

NOTE: *All individuals intending to sell products, including demonstrators and presenters, must complete Vendor Application.*

Shindig Headquarters & Security

- Headquarters is located outside of Building 1 in the front.
- The Shindig is not responsible for loss or damage to vendor property.

Minimal after-hours security will be present, but vendors are responsible for securing their own booth and merchandise.

Application Process

- **Early Bird Application Deadline:** March 1
- **Late Registration Deadline:** April 1 (*A \$5 late fee applies.*)

Your space is not guaranteed until your application **and** payment are submitted and you receive confirmation. Late applicants will not be included in promotional materials; early registration is strongly encouraged.

Applications must include full payment.

Please make checks payable to **Newton County Historical Society – Shindig.**

Vendor fees are **non-refundable once approved.**

Food Vendors

- Must have all required **state licenses and permits** prior to the event.
- Only **pre-packaged food** may be sold in the retail vendor area.

Jury Process & Notification

Vendors will be notified of acceptance by **March 10** via email. If email is unavailable, notification will be made by phone or mail.

Product and Booth Layout

- Standard booth size: **10 ft x 10 ft** marked area.
- Vendors may not assign or sublet booth space. All individuals sharing a booth must be listed on the application.
- Booth locations will be assigned based on application details such as electrical needs, date of application, and overall availability. Location preferences may be noted and will be accommodated when possible.
- Vendors must supply their own canopy (if desired), extension cords, lighting, and other necessary equipment.
- Tables and pegboard displays may be available **upon request** while supplies last.
- Although many vendors offer handcrafted products, handcrafted items are **not required**.
- The Shindig is a family-friendly event. We reserve the right to prohibit products, displays, or materials considered inappropriate, disruptive, or objectionable—**without refund**.

Booth Appearance & Maintenance

- Displays, tents, and structures must be sturdy, safe, and visually appropriate.
- Tent stakes or weights are highly recommended for outdoor booths.
- Vendors must keep their booth and surrounding area clean and free of trash, debris, and hazards.
- Vendors are responsible for any damages to Fairgrounds property.

The following items may NOT be sold:

- * Bottled water
- * Old-time sodas
- * Alcoholic beverages
- * Tobacco products
- * Similar restricted items

Event Check-In, Setup, and Hours of Operation

Check-In & Setup Options

- **Thursday, April 23:** 4:00–7:00 pm
- **Friday, April 24:** 8:00–9:00 am
- **Saturday, April 25:** 8:00–9:00 am (*Restocking only*)

Vendors may park near buildings to unload but must move vehicles to the designated vendor parking area afterward. For attendee safety, **no vehicles are allowed on festival grounds during event hours.**

Event Hours

Friday

9:00 am–6:00 pm — Booths open
6:00 pm–9:00 pm — Barn Dance

Saturday

9:00 am–5:00 pm — Booths open
5:00 pm–7:00 pm — Booth tear-down and cleanup

All vendors are required to remain open for the entirety of the event. Early teardown may result in denial of future applications.

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Event Cancellation or Inclement Weather

The Shindig is an outdoor event. **Refunds will not be issued due to weather.** The festival will continue unless dangerous conditions arise.

Photography Requirements & Permissions

- Photos may be used for promotional purposes, including social media and marketing materials.

Information Packets & Sales Tax Requirements

- Information packets must be picked up at the **Headquarters** prior to setup.
- Vendors are solely responsible for collecting, reporting, and paying sales tax daily.
- Required forms and instructions will be included with your check-in packet.
- Arkansas law requires vendors to submit a **daily sales tax report and payment (7.5%)** to the Headquarters at the end of each day.
- Vendors with an existing Arkansas Sales Tax Permit may submit tax payments directly to the state per their usual procedure.



2026 Vendor Application

Name: _____ Business Name: _____

FEIN/SSN _____ Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Product(s) description: _____

Vendors must submit photos of their booth setup and all products intended for sale.

Booth Price Structure

Type	Definition	10 x 10	10 x 20	10 x 30
Vendor	An individual selling merchandise or services	\$30.00	\$50.00	\$75.00
Food Vendor	A vendor selling products for immediate consumption	\$75.00	\$100.00	\$125.00
Demonstration Booth ONLY	An individual demonstrating an <u>approved</u> craft/skill without any merchandise for sale	free	free	free
Vendor Demonstrator	A vendor who presents or demonstrates an <u>approved</u> craft/skill AND sells their products	free	20.00	45.00

Booth Type: ___ Vendor ___ Food Vendor ___ Demo Booth ___ Vendor/Demo
 Booth Size Needed: ___ 10 x 10 ___ 10 x 20 ___ 10 x 30
 Electricity required? ___ Yes ___ No
 Preferred booth space: ___ Inside ___ Outside ___ Livestock barn

Payment can be made by mailing to NCHS, PO Box 360, Jasper, AR 72641 or by paying online at [Paypal](#) or [CashApp](#)

Vendor agrees to hold the following (Shindig Committee, Event sponsors, Newton County Historical Society, Newton County Fairgrounds) free from any damages or claims that may develop in connection with participating in the above-mentioned event. Vendor also agrees to abide by the Terms and Conditions of a Vendor. By submitting an application, vendors grant permission for photos or video of themselves and their products to be used for promotional purposes.

Vendor signature: _____ Date: _____