



Application Deadline
July 1, 2024

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**2024 Living History Encampment
PARTICIPANT INFORMATION**

Name _____

Business Name/Trade _____

Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Telephone/Cell # _____ email: _____

Participants in our Living History Encampment **must represent the time period from Native American Indian civilizations through the Civil War.** We will present a "Time Line" of history. We appreciate everyone's support and participation.

Booth fees for Living History Campers will be waived; the park district asks that a donation be made if sales are adequate. Campers can have a 4'x4' trading blanket-no fee. Period correct food vendors must be approved and registered through the Gathering at Garst main committee and pay food vendor fees. Food vendor applications can be downloaded from our website: www.darkecountyparks.org/gathering

I will be participating as:
Living history camper only___ Vendor selling wares___ Contracted Paid Performer _____

Number of people in this family/camp: _____

Please mark the correct time period that you are representing:
Native American Indian _____
1750-1800-Colonial Period through the French & Indian War _____
1800-1840-Revolutionary War & The Fur Trade _____
1840-1865-Civil War Period _____

Information: Which of the following categories best represents your talent/skill or product:

- Baskets Botanicals Brooms Ceramics Fiber/Textiles Historian
Floor Coverings Furniture Jewelry Metal craft Painting Re-enactor
Paper craft Soaps Woodcraft Blacksmithing Actor/Performer

Other _____

Please provide a brief description of your product: _____

Please briefly describe your method of production (including tools used) if applicable: _____

Presentation Information:

Will you (and your representatives) dress in period-appropriate clothing? ____Yes____ No

Will you use period-appropriate displays and tools? ____Yes____ No

Will you build a campfire? ____Yes____ No

Vendors Only:

Are your products reproductions of documented 18th and early 19th Century wares? ____Yes____ No

If not, are your products inspired by wares of this time period? ____Yes____ No

The committee reserves the right to ask that merchandise deemed inappropriate be removed from the festival. NO plastic products or containers are allowed.

It is recommended that all vendors have one 2A-10B:C dry chemical fire extinguisher.

Special Note: If you will be camping on the grounds, firewood, water, flush toilets, and hot showers will be available for you. Ice will be available by purchase per bag.

Tents and flies must be plain canvas to protect the historic integrity of the event. If you do not have these, please let us know, we may be able to make arrangements for you to borrow or rent one. Please indicate the space requirements for your tent(s) including ropes and stakes:

_____ Feet (Frontage) by _____ Feet (Depth) **PLEASE INCLUDE ROPES AND STAKES IN MEASUREMENTS**

We are expecting a large encampment turnout this year. Space will be assigned on a first come-first served basis. We will try to get everyone placed in the shade but that space is limited. Please get your applications in as soon as possible. Please send your application in by

June 1. You will receive an email from us when you are accepted as a vendor. Further details will be sent to you the second week of July.

All registered living history campers, performers and vendors may partake in free donuts and coffee on Saturday morning and an ice cream social on Saturday evening after closing. A Sunday morning service is normally provided if a parson is available. Details will be provided after registration.

Submit original application to:

Darke County Park District
Attn: The Gathering at Garst – Living History Encampment
P.O. Box 801
Greenville, OH 45331

AGREEMENT

I agree that I will not hold The Gathering at Garst Committee, Darke County Park District, Garst Museum, and/or the Darke County Historical Society liable for damages to person, property, and theft of my merchandise or displays in the festival. I understand that nothing may be brought into the festival which has not been approved and that all applications are subject to jury approval by The Gathering at Garst Committee. I understand that no booth fee refunds will be made after July 1, 2024. I understand that this is a rain or shine event. I understand that vendor booths will be expected to remain open during all festival hours. I understand that all participants or visitors that are sitting/standing/portraying/interacting in the living history vendor areas or camps will be in proper historical attire at all times of the festival until after dark on Saturday evening.

Signature _____ Date _____

If you have any questions or would like to send photos to us via email you can reach us at:

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