



Michiana Renaissance Festival

Entertainment Application

Basic Information (Please print clearly)

Applying for year: _____

Contact Name: _____ Faire name if different: _____

Ensemble Name: _____ Tax ID/SSN*: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: ____ ZIP: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

Fax: _____ Website: _____

How did you hear about us? _____

*Tax information is only necessary when payment is required.

Show Information

The Michiana Renaissance Festival is an educational, non-profit event. Entertainers performing at the Festival should enjoy performing to the roar of an appreciative crowd, and showcasing history. Interaction with the crowd is highly recommended.

Show name: _____

Describe your show: _____

Selling promotional items? (Check all that apply) CDs Videos Merchandise Other

Notes: _____

Pay requirements if any: _____

Check payable to: _____

Note: It is acceptable to ask the patrons for tips after a good show.

Performed from? (Check all that apply) Stage Ground Street Booth

Size of performance area needed?: _____

Notes: _____

Days available to perform? (Check all that apply) Saturday Sunday # shows per day: ____

Notes: _____

If performing historical demonstrations, please attach a demonstration schedule.

Reenactment Area Preference

The Michiana Renaissance Festival is broken down into 4 separate reenactment areas covering different periods and themes. Entertainers may request to be placed in a specific area. Please indicate your order of preference by numbering each area from 1 to 4, with 1 being the best match for your ensemble. Note that the Viking area has no stage.

Medieval/Renaissance _____ Pirate _____ Viking _____ Fantasy _____

Notes: _____

Hazardous Materials / Items

Will you have any hazardous materials on site (gasoline, propane, swords, gunpowder, etc.)?

Yes: ____ No: ____ If "yes", please describe: _____

Only those Entertainers who receive specific permission to use hazardous materials, items and weapons by the entertainment selection committee of Entertaining History, Inc. are allowed to do so. For hazardous items that require them, Entertainers are responsible for having on-hand all federal, state and county permits to use such items.

References

Please provide references from any other events where your ensemble has performed.

Contact Name: _____ Title: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

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Entertainer Passes

Entertainer passes are for performing Entertainers and assisting staff members. Each ensemble may receive Entertainer passes at no charge. Passes must be visible on all ensemble members at all times while on Festival grounds. Those without their passes will be required to pay the normal entrance fee to enter.

How many Entertainer Passes are needed for your performing ensemble?: _____

Camping

Entertainers are allowed to camp in a designated area on the festival site overnight. Above ground campfires are allowed in the evening, but the ensemble must extinguish the fire before leaving the area or retiring for the night. The ensemble should have a fire extinguisher and a bucket of water on hand at all times while the fire is active. Port-a-p privies will remain available after hours. No shower services are provided. All tents set up for the evening must be torn down before Festival hours begin. Emergency paths should never be blocked by camping equipment. It is important to keep noise to an absolute minimum. Camping is available Friday and Saturday nights. No Campers or RV's are allowed on the festival grounds or the parking area. Please contact us with any questions.

Camping which nights? Friday Saturday None

Entertainment Selection

The Michiana Renaissance Festival is not only a fun, family-friendly event, it is also an educational experience for guests. It is important that all entertainment ensembles look and behave as period as possible. **All new Entertainers or past Entertainers who have new acts should submit pictures and videos of their act along with their application.** Videos may be submitted on CD/DVD or as links to video sites on the internet (i.e. YouTube, Facebook). Please, DO NOT e-mail the videos themselves. Local acts (school groups, community groups, etc.) should provide a very detailed description of your anticipated costuming and performance as a minimum. The entertainment selection committee at Entertaining History, Inc. will review all applications for appropriateness and entertainment value.

Additional Rules and Guidelines

- **Alcohol:** Alcohol is not permitted on Festival grounds at any time outside of the pub.
- **Smoking:** Local laws do not allow smoking.
- **Spiritualism:** To prevent apparent discrimination, entertainment and merchandise of religious, spiritual or mystical items or agendas are not allowed (examples: Christianity, Fortune Telling, Judaism, Pagans, etc.).
- **Politics:** To keep things light-hearted, entertainment and merchandise promoting political agendas are not allowed.
- **Customer Filching:** No Entertainer may lure Festival guests away from any other vendor or show.
- **Minor Management:** The park is on a fast moving river. All children 16 and under need to be accompanied by an adult AT ALL TIMES, no exceptions.
- **The Show Goes On:** The Michiana Renaissance Festival will run regardless of the weather.
- **Family Friendly:** This is a family event. Wardrobe and speech should be rated "G", for all audiences.
- **Stay in Character:** At anytime you are interacting with guests, try to stay in character with the theme of the event. Your voice and dress should help immerse attendees in the event.
- **Security:** Security is on site during Festival hours, however ensembles are solely responsible for their own equipment.
- **Insurance:** A certificate of liability insurance is required of all shows that pose a potential danger to our guests (i.e. sword fights, juggling, etc.). This coverage for no less that \$250,000 should name Entertaining History, Inc./Michiana Renaissance Festival (P. O. Box 821, Notre Dame, IN 46556), South Bend Parks Dept./City of South Bend (321 E. Walter St., South Bend, IN 46614) as additional insureds. Insurance must be verified prior to the Festival otherwise the ensemble may not set up and all monies paid to the Festival will be forfeited. Determination of this requirement is made by Entertaining History, Inc., so be sure to ask if you have questions.
- **Marketing:** All submitted pictures/videos become the property of Entertaining History, Inc. and may be used for marketing purposes.
- **Animals:** Only service animals for the disabled are allowed. Animals that are part of a performance or demonstration are allowed with pre-approval. Vaccination history is required.

Mail in your signed Entertainment Application form along with:

- Photos and Videos of your act
- Proof of insurance (if required based on "Rules and Guidelines" above)
- Self-addressed and stamped envelope (SASE)

Mail to: **Entertaining History, Inc.**
P. O. Box 821
Notre Dame, IN 46556-0821

By signing this application I agree to accept the following terms for all members of my entertainment ensemble.

I, the undersigned, intending to be legally bound, hereby, for myself, my heirs, executors and administrators, waive and release any and all rights and claims for losses and damages I may have against the Michiana Renaissance Festival, Entertaining History, Inc., the South Bend Parks Department and/or the City of South Bend, and all other parties and their representatives, successors, and assigns for any and all injuries and all claims of damages demands and actions whatsoever which may arise as a result of participation in this Festival. I hereby grant full permission to any and all forgoing to use photographs and/or videos of this Festival for any purpose related to the Festival or future Festivals. I agree to abide by the rules and conditions set by Michiana Renaissance Festival.

This application does not guarantee your acceptance to participate in the Festival.

Entertainment Representative:

Signature: _____

Name (Printed): _____

Title: _____

Date: _____