



46th HIAWATHA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL ARTISTS IN THE ROUND INFORMATION & APPLICATION JULY 17-19, 2026

Hiawatha Music Co-op
1015 N. Third St., Marquette, MI 49855

Artists in the Round (AITR) is a juried arts and crafts show sponsored by the Hiawatha Music Co-op, which takes place at the Hiawatha Traditional Music Festival in Marquette, Michigan.

ELIGIBILITY REQUIREMENTS:

AITR is open to all artists and crafters.

- **All work must be created by the submitting artist, original work and design only.** No kits or resale products are allowed.
- Absolutely no commercially manufactured items, mass-produced work, or items made from kits are permitted.

Please include a description of your work and creative process. Artists must be present and open for business during all Festival business hours. We encourage all participants, when possible, to demonstrate their craft during the Festival. Please speak with our AITR Coordinator if you are interested.

Your display booth may not exceed 12' x 12'. No other structure may be part of your display unless arranged in advance with AITR staff. Additional fees will be required for booths larger than 12' x 12'.

No other artist may share your booth space unless the art or craft being displayed is created by more than one person, and **all work and artists must be included in the jury process. The final selection will be based on the group of applicants for the current year. Having been accepted for a prior AITR will not guarantee a place in the show.**

Be sure to provide top-quality images for jurying. We are limited to 25 booths and usually receive more applicants than we have space for.

JURY PROCESS:

Between May 11th and May 18th, a panel of jurors will make the final selections from the qualifying applicants. Final selection results will be emailed to you on or before May 19th. If you do not supply an email address, notification will be mailed to you via USPS by June 5th.

If you are admitted to the 2026 show, your Festival Packet, containing your booth assignment, Festival wristband, camping tag, parking pass, and any final instructions and details, will be mailed to you the week of June 22nd. If you will be away from home during this period, please include an address and phone number where you can be reached, or contact HMC to make other arrangements. You will need the contents of this packet to enter the festival grounds.

ARTISTS IN THE ROUND APPLICATION TIMELINE AT A GLANCE

- May 8 - Applications must be submitted by 5 pm.
- May 11-18 - Review of applicants
- May 19 - Application results sent out
- June 22 - Festival Packets mailed to approved applicants

ARTIST IN THE ROUND RULES AND LIMITATIONS:

- AITR vendors understand that all work must be created by the artist. HMC reserves the right to ask that items in question be removed.
- AITR vendors will not bring any pets. Pets are not allowed at the festival.
- AITR vendors will not have other artists vending at their booth unless cleared with AITR in advance.
- AITR vendors will not have any UPS deliveries at the back gate.
- AITR vendors will not have any children tending booths.
- AITR vendors are responsible for remitting the 6% sales tax to the Michigan Department of Treasury.
- AITR vendors understand that there is absolutely no dumping of water or anything from their booths in the public restroom sinks/toilets or portajohns, and will dispose of their garbage in the dumpsters provided.
- AITR vendors are expected to respect the festival's family atmosphere and conduct themselves appropriately with all festival guests, workers, and volunteers. Failure to follow these protocols may result in immediate removal from the festival.
- Public Intoxication and any use/sale of alcohol, cannabis, tobacco, and all illegal drugs is prohibited and will be subject to immediate dismissal.

ARTIST FESTIVAL PACKAGE :

Each booth will receive the following:

- One (1) free Adult weekend wristband
 - *Additional wristbands needed must be purchased separately.*
- One (1) free camping tag to Area G (AITR camping)
 - *Due to limited space and access to camping in Area G, camping tags are limited to one per booth. Other tent camping areas will be made available if you wish to camp with friends & family. Additionally, large campers may be placed in Area B depending on space requirements.*
- 50% off one (1) Parking Pass
 - *Personal golf carts/ATVS are not allowed on the grounds.*

FESTIVAL LOGISTICS & AITR SCHEDULE

- **LOAD-IN** begins at **11 am** on Friday, July 17th. **There is no early entry on Thursday.**
 - Please enter through the back gate of Tourist Park on Enterprise Drive. **Do not arrive before 11 am; you will not be allowed to set up.**
 - *Those not purchasing a parking pass will be given a Temporary Parking Pass to enter the festival grounds to drop off their camping and booth materials. Once your items are dropped off, artists will be required to relocate their car to one of the Festival Parking Lots: NMU Lot 22, NMU Lot 14, or the Jacobetti Center. Shuttles are provided.*
- **AITR HOURS OF OPERATION:**
 - Optional:
 - Friday, July 17: 2 pm - 6 pm (*Vendors who wish to stay open later may do so.*)
 - Required:
 - Saturday, July 18: 10 am - 6 pm (*Vendors who wish to stay open later may do so.*)
11 am - Jurying for Best in Show begins
 - Sunday, July 19: 10 am - 6 pm
- **TEAR-DOWN** must be completed no later than 9:00 pm Sunday night.
 - Your vendor site must be clean of all debris.
 - As a point of reference, if you are camping, your campsite must be vacated by 12 pm on Monday, when the Park is returned to the City.
- **SECURITY:** Regular police patrols, park supervision, and volunteer security will be in place in the park during the festival, but you should plan to secure your booth and product. HMC is not responsible for any property damage or loss.

Please feel free to contact us with any questions at: aitr@hiawathamusic.org

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**46th ANNUAL HIAWATHA TRADITIONAL MUSIC FESTIVAL ARTISTS IN THE ROUND APPLICATION**

**BOOTH FEE:** A check in the amount of \$245.00 payable to Hiawatha Music Co-op (\$235.00 will be refunded if you are not selected).

Please print and complete this and the following pages and deliver to: Hiawatha Music Co-op at 1015 N. Third Street, #9, Marquette, MI 49855. Please include a self-addressed stamped envelope with 2 stamps so that we can mail your Artist Festival Package and the signed contract to you. Any printed images will be returned to you at the Festival.

Name(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Business Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Website: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Program Listing (Name(s) or Business Name): \_\_\_\_\_

Please provide a brief description of your Art and/or Craft and how you create it:

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**Art Booth Location Preference:** See the map on the website and make your top 2 choices. We will make our best effort to place you in or near your requested booth site.

- First Booth Location Request: \_\_\_\_\_
- Second Booth Location Request: \_\_\_\_\_
- I need an additional booth space (yes or no): \_\_\_\_\_
  - Those requesting additional space for their booths, please mark yes. These spaces are **extremely limited and will be given on a first-come, first-served basis**. Additional booths will be placed behind the booth location (deep booth space) vs next to the booth (side by side). Those provided with an additional space will be required to pay for a second space.

**Camping Preferences:** Please remember that your entrance package allows (1) camping tag and that all campsites are shared. Additional shade structures can be purchased separately. Please place an X next to the appropriate area.

- I do not camp: \_\_\_\_\_
- I will be camping and have the following needs:
  - Camping Area Requested:
    - Area G (AITR ONLY, limited number available): \_\_\_\_\_
    - Area B (tents/campers allowed, electricity only): \_\_\_\_\_
      - Please note Area B is for Quiet Camping. Those camping here will maintain a responsible silence after 10 pm. Those who do not may be asked to leave.
    - Area C (tents only, rustic with firepits): \_\_\_\_\_
    - Area D (tents only, rustic with no fire pits): \_\_\_\_\_
  - Type of (1) Camping Tag Requested:
    - Tent tag: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Camper tag up to 20 feet: \_\_\_\_\_
    - Camper tag 21-30 feet: \_\_\_\_\_ (**OVER 31 FEET ARE NOT ALLOWED**)
- I need an additional Shade Structure Tag for \$55. I understand I will be billed: \_\_\_\_\_

**Parking Pass:** Please remember that you may purchase (1) parking pass at a 50% discount of \$62.50. Additional full-price parking passes can be purchased separately. Please place an X next to the appropriate area.

- I do not need a parking pass: \_\_\_\_\_
- I do need a parking pass included in my packet. I understand I will be billed: \_\_\_\_\_

**CAMPING UNITS MUST BE AT LEAST FOUR FEET APART.**

Health Department employees and our Security volunteers will be out with rulers during the weekend to check campsite spacing. Please take this rule seriously.

To purchase additional wristbands/camping tags, please contact Hiawatha Music Co-op at 906 226 8575.

**Media Release:** AITR vendor agrees that HMC has the right to photograph, record, and broadcast my image for any lawful purpose, including promotional or educational purposes, in any medium, without compensation. By vending, I authorize HMC to reasonably use my image or likeness in any live or recorded transmission or reproduction of the event, including for future promotion of HMC.

**Indemnification:** AITR vendor shall waive all claims against HMC for liability arising out of any damage done to their booth or property from any cause. The risk of loss occasioned by all of the operations, installations, acts, errors, and omissions of the Artist in the Round Vendor or the employees and agents of the Artist in the Round Vendor on the grounds of Tourist Park shall be that of the Artist in the Round Vendor, not HMC. The Artist in the Round Vendor shall not seek contributions, damages, or indemnification from HMC for any loss so occasioned.

