



# 34th Annual

# Aiken's Makin' Festival

**2010 Dates:** Friday and Saturday, September 10th & 11th

**Festival Hours:** Friday 9:00 am – 6:00 pm, Saturday 9:00 am – 5:00 pm

**Festival Registration:** Thursday, September 9th at 6 pm

The Aiken Chamber of Commerce, 121 Richland Avenue, E, Aiken, SC 29801

Late registration available Friday, September 10th beginning at 7 a.m., at the festival information booth located on the corner of Park Avenue and York Street

To download application, visit [www.aikenchamber.net](http://www.aikenchamber.net) (click on the Aiken's Makin' link)

Contact phone number (803) 649-1200, extension 224

**Deadline for Applications:** Must be postmarked by February 27, 2010

## Application Process Food Vendors

Applications will be mailed and available on line at [www.aikenchamber.net](http://www.aikenchamber.net) - click on the Aiken's Makin' link on or after January 4, 2010.

Applications should be submitted by mail. All applications must be postmarked on or before February 27, 2010 for consideration by the show's jury. Applications postmarked later will be returned to applicant.

Acceptance/denial notifications will be mailed on March 31, 2010. The decision of the Aiken's Makin' Jury is final. The Aiken's Makin' craft show does **NOT** maintain a waiting list. A cancellation by applicant after the jury process and exhibitor selection in March will result in loss of all fees.

All applications must include a check or money order for booth fees, list of items to be sold with pricing, photos (properly submitted), proof of insurance and a business size stamped self addressed envelope. Applications will not be juried if any items are missing. **No exceptions.**

Make all checks or money orders payable to: The Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce (GACC).

Include photos of food items to be sold and of your concession stand. No exceptions. **Photos and other inclusions will not be returned to the applicant.** No fountain or pre-packaged beverages will be allowed at this year's event. Pepsi is a major sponsor of the Aiken's Makin' festival and their products will be available for purchase directly to food vendors through out the two day festival at a cost of \$24 per case.

**Note:** The decision of the jury is based in part on the quality of your photos. The jury must be able to determine the quality of your product by the photos. Please do not submit tiny reproductions or photos on standard printer paper as they do not jury well.

Photos must be representative of all food or drink items to be sold and must be submitted with the application. Please include 1 booth photos, 3 photos of food items to be sold and your menu with pricing. No exceptions. **Photos will not be returned.**

Return the application, check or money order, photos, menu with price list, proof of insurance and stamped self addressed envelope to: The Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce, Aiken's Makin', PO Box 892, Aiken, SC 29802

All other information enclosed in the packet should be kept by the applicant for future reference.

## Rules & Regulations

This is a juried show. Past participation is not a guarantee of acceptance.

All food vendors **MUST** be set up no later than September 10, at 8:00 am. If you are not set up by the deadline, you may be removed from next year's mailing list.

An accepted application is a commitment by the vendor to be open to sell their food for ALL scheduled hours of the art and craft show.

**Note:** If you have an emergency and cannot attend the show, please call the Chamber at (803) 641-1111 or email Dianne at [dphillips@aikenchamber.net](mailto:dphillips@aikenchamber.net) to notify us. **No refunds will be given.**

No vendor is to break down their booth early. All trash must be properly disposed of at the time of breakdown. **Any vendor who breaks down their booth early, or who does not show up for both days of the show, may be removed from the mailing list.** Removal from the mailing list is left to the discretion of the Aiken's Makin' steering committee.

There will be **no rain date**. A registration is a commitment to the show and **no refunds** will be made.

Food vendors may rent more than one (1) space as space permits and must pay all fees for each space prior to acceptance. If your concession stand/trailer is larger than 12' x 10', you will be required to purchase a second space.

A food vendor may **not** sell a space or any part of their space.

Canopies and tents, including any connecting wires or stakes, **MUST** be totally contained within the vendor's assigned space. Trimming of trees and shrubs in the festival area is **strictly prohibited** and subject to fines.

All exhibits **MUST** be independent of autos, trucks, campers, etc. You will not have immediate access to any transportation vehicles or storage trailers. There will be no vehicles allowed along the parkway.

Security will be provided Thursday and Friday nights. However, the Chamber will not be held responsible for loss or damage for any reason.

The postmark on a submitted application is the sole determination of on-time receipt of applications. Any applications postmarked later than February 27, 2010 will not be juried for the 2010 show and will be returned to the applicant.

The submittal of an application is not a guarantee of acceptance in the show. This is a juried show, and the Aiken's Makin' Jury reserves the right to refuse acceptance of any application. To ensure greater variety and opportunity for crafters and customers, a limited number of exhibitors will be accepted in each category. The decisions of acceptance into the craft show and the placement of booths are determined by the jury and the layout committee. All deci-

sions are final.

You may not sell items not listed on your application. **You must visibly post all prices for each item you are selling during the entire time of the festival.** Failure to post visible/accurate pricing may result in removal from the mailing list, or you may be asked to leave the festival immediately.

Parking will be available on public streets surrounding the festival site on a first-come first-served basis. There will be **NO** parking in the spaces lining the parkways of the festival site. **You must follow all City of Aiken posted parking rules and regulations, the City does NOT allow any parking on the grassy medians of the parkways; violators of parking regulations are subject to removal from next year's mailing list and may receive parking tickets, or have their vehicle towed at the owners expense.**

Electrical hook-ups are available for a nominal fee per outlet required, or you may choose to bring your own **silent generator**. All generators **must** be of the new **silent running** type.

**IMPORTANT:** Please do not order one hook-up and then plug multiple power strips into that service. This causes power outages and could make power unavailable to you and the vendors around you. Notify us of the amount of service you require so proper arrangements may be made.

**All rules will be strictly enforced. Failure to comply with the rules or displaying of unruly behavior (disorderly conduct or verbal abuse) by the vendor or any assistants will cause immediate expulsion from Aiken's Makin' and eliminate the vendor from future events. (Remember, there are no alcoholic beverages allowed in the parkways.)**

## Frequently Asked Questions

### When can I set up?

You **MUST** register before setting up your booth. Space assignments are **not** available until the time of registration. **Registration** will be held at the Chamber office: 121 Richland Avenue E, Aiken, SC 29801 on Thursday, September 9, from 6 until.

**Late registration** is Friday, September 10, at 7 am at the Festival Hospitality Tent on the corner of York Street and Park Avenue. All booths must be up and open for business by 8 am on September 10, 2010.

### What is the entry fee?

Aiken County Residents - \$250 a space  
-Non-Aiken County Residents - \$275 a space

Any vendor requiring more than a 12' x 10' space, whether for storage, additional display space, or to secure their tent/awning, **MUST** purchase a second space.

### Is electricity available?

Due to the outside location of this festival, limited electrical hook ups are available for a nominal fee per outlet. You may choose to bring a **silent generator** to meet your electrical needs.

### When is the application due?

Applications must be postmarked by February 28th to meet the deadline for consideration. Any application postmarked later than February 28th will be returned to applicant.

### Before mailing your application, review the check list below:

Application  
Payment  
SASE  
Menu/Photo Sheet  
Certificate of Insurance

**Incomplete applications will not be juried.**

Aiken's Makin' 2010 Food Vendor Application

Exhibitor Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Exhibitor **must** be artist/crafter, exhibitor is the official contact. Name to appear on exhibitor's list available to the public.

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

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_ Mobile Phone: ( ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_ Contact me via E-mail Y N  
(Circle One)

Description of food or beverages to be sold: \_\_\_\_\_

Special Requests: \_\_\_\_\_

*We will do our best to meet requests but cannot guarantee them.*

No. of 12' x 10' spaces needed \_\_\_\_\_ @ Aiken County Rate \$250 or  
@ Non-County Rate \$275 (Circle one)

Electricity Needs: \_\_\_\_\_ 110 (\$20) Per Outlet  
\_\_\_\_\_ 220 (\$35) Per Outlet

Amount enclosed \$ \_\_\_\_\_

*I understand the decision of the Aiken's Makin' jury is final. If accepted, I agree to abide by the event rules and regulations. Also, I do hereby discharge the Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce and the Aiken's Makin' Festival from all manner of actions, suits, damages, claims and property while participating in the Aiken's Makin' Festival.*

*I/we give permission for photos of depictions of vendor accepted for Aiken's Makin' to be used for festival promotion purposes.*

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Return application and all required materials to: Greater Aiken Chamber of Commerce, Aiken's Makin', PO Box 892, Aiken, SC 29802 - Must be post marked by February 27, 2010

**Check list:** Completed application, payment in full for all spaces requested, stamped self addressed business envelope, proof of insurance, menu list with pricing and current photos as requested on photo display sheet. Incomplete applications will not be juried.

Vehicle Information: If you are bringing multiple vehicles, please include information for all. Attach additional sheet of paper if required.

Make/Model: \_\_\_\_\_ Color: \_\_\_\_\_ Tag ID: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

Trailer: Enclosed or Flat Bed (circle one) Tag ID: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_

**\* Please remember to include your menu and price list for items being offered at your concession area on the reverse of this application .**

*For Office Use Only*

Category: \_\_\_\_\_ Ranking: \_\_\_\_\_ Accepted: \_\_\_\_\_ Restrictions: \_\_\_\_\_

Declined: \_\_\_\_\_ Reason: \_\_\_\_\_

Check #: \_\_\_\_\_ Payment Amount: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Received: \_\_\_\_\_

Spaces needed: \_\_\_\_\_ Section: \_\_\_\_\_ Space Number: \_\_\_\_\_

*Photo Display Sheet - Please overlap photos*

Attach proof of insurance here.

*Attach two food photos here.*

*(\*Staple second one on top.)*

*Attach two booth photos here.*

*(\*Staple second one on top.)*

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and should be sent to  
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PO Box 892, Aiken, SC 29802*

*Attach Menu Here*

*Attach Price Sheet here*

*Please staple your pictures – DO NOT GLUE.*

**Photos ONLY! No Slides!**

*Total number of photos required: four (4)  
All four (4) photos must fit on this page.*

*Applicant certifies that the submitted photos, above, accurately depict applicants materials. Applicant certifies that the submitted menu and pricing is accurate and depicts items to be sold and at what price they will be sold. By placing my signature below, I agree to be bound by the Aiken's Makin' Festival Rules, Limitations & Procedures.*

**Exhibitor Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_

Please sign here