

SMART Saturdays

(That's Summer Market ART Saturdays. Get it?)

Ontario is entering the first stage of reopening, the weather is glorious, and many people are excited to get back outside to enjoy and support their local community. Opportunity is knocking, and we are answering – we have decided to open the courtyard this summer at FortyOne for a curated, members-only artist/artisan exhibition!

SMART Saturdays will be an artist/artisan collective, held each Saturday (June 19 – September 4, rain or shine) in the courtyard adjacent to FortyOne. It will support you, our members, as we have all been missing seeing our supporters in person. It will support our community, by adding another venue to the ever-growing trend of bespoke pop-up markets. It will support the SSAC, by encouraging market patrons to seek out the amazing talent that resides within our community.

Space is limited and time is short, so RSVP, ASAP!

So here are the deets (that's "details" for those of you without teenagers in the house):

SSAC will:

- observe all COVID regulations: create dedicated entrance and exit points, space vendors appropriately, provide hand sanitizer, provide face masks, regulate number of visitors attending.
- schedule and train volunteers for the entrance and exit, who will: count the number of guests, offer hand sanitizer and ensure that we stay within the capacity limit.
- advertise the event on social media, email and with street signage.
- offer tents, chairs and tables to participating artists. There is a limited number of tents and tables. Requests must be made at the time of booking - the "early bird gets the worm."
- limit the duplication of vendors per event - no more than two artist/artisans providing the same medium.

Artists will:

- pay \$20 for each Saturday they wish to participate
- indicate which dates they are available and if they wish to borrow a tent and/or table from SSAC. Artists are responsible for own display, tablecloths, etc.
- manage their own booth. SSAC will not help supervise booths in the courtyard.

- bring new inventory for the courtyard sale. **Inventory may NOT be removed from FortyOne for SMART Saturdays.**
- manage their own sales transactions in the courtyard. **No commission is required on courtyard sales.** You may not use SSAC's point of sale machine for 0% commission sales.
- be responsible for providing their own insurance. SSAC is not responsible for any damage or injury that may occur at your booth.
- wear a mask or face covering while at the market.
- help promote SMART Saturdays by spreading the word with your friends and neighbours, sharing social media posts, etc.

SMART Saturdays will run from June 19, 2021 – September 4, 2021, provided there are at least 2 artists interested and we have sufficient volunteers. Refunds will not be available for weather cancellations. Please follow COVID protocol and stay home if you are not feeling well.

If you are available to cover an entrance for a Saturday, or have a teen who wants volunteer hours, **please let me know!**

The Market will open at 9am and close at 2pm (we will be at the store at 8:00am to facilitate set up)

Please RSVP as soon as possible. I hope to see many of you this summer!

Suu Taylor,
Executive Director