



**Benefitting the Brazos Valley Symphony**

**March 30-April 1, 2017**

**Brazos County Expo in Bryan, Texas**

**Come grow with us! Our vendor sales have increased every year since our first market in 2013.**

**We are attracting buyers who are looking for quality and unique fashion and gift items. (Our average customer in 2016 spent over \$100—almost \$30 more than in 2015.)**

**Our market area is increasing every year--Bryan-College Station was named the 15<sup>th</sup> fastest growing metro area in the nation last year.**

**Setup**

Thursday, March 30

8 am – 4 pm

**Market Hours**

Thursday, March 30

Sneak Peek Party

5:30 pm – 8:00 pm

Friday, March 31

VIP Shopping, Muffins and Mimosas

9 am – 11 am

Market Hours

10 am – 6 pm

Saturday, April 1

9 am – 5 pm

**Market Venue**

Brazos County Expo

5827 Leonard Road

Bryan, Texas 77807

[www.brazoscountyexpo.com](http://www.brazoscountyexpo.com)

**Selection Process**

No more than 75 merchants will be accepted for the 2017 Premiere Market. Acceptance and priority booth locations will be offered first to the vendors from our 2016 market.

A jury will meet in late August to determine which new vendors can round out our 2017 market. We continue to strive for a market as attractive to customers and as profitable to vendors as possible. Vendors who apply by August 15 will be notified in early September. Checks will be returned to those not accepted.

**Booths**

Booth floor space is approximately 10' x 10'. Tables and chairs will be provided at no charge. Please let us know in advance how many 6' or 8' tables you will need so that we can have them in your booth when you arrive.

**Booth Donation** – Donation for one booth is \$275 and is due with your application. This is not refundable if you are accepted into the show.

### **Donation of 10% Total Sales**

The Brazos Valley Symphony Society, a non-profit entity sponsoring the Premiere Market, offers the Brazos Valley community a delightful array of classic orchestral music, chamber music, contemporary music, and annual educational programs for youth in the Brazos Valley. **Our market success depends in large part on your donation of 10% of your total pre-tax sales.**

Merchants are responsible for all sales and sales tax collections, daily sales reports (if requested), a final sales report (with documentation if requested), and donation by cash, check, or credit card at the end of the market.

### **Electricity in Booths**

Electricity in your booth is optional. The Expo charges \$35 for electricity per vendor for up to three booth spaces. Each booth will have a floor plug, but please bring your own extension cords to use within your booth(s).

### **Booth Display**

Pipes and drapes are optional for an extra charge of \$25 for each 10' booth. These must be ordered in advance. If your booth layout includes large or tall displays that work better along a wall or at the end of a row, please indicate on your application.

### **Loading In and Out**

The Expo has ample convenient loading facilities so there should be no problem with loading and unloading your vehicle whenever you arrive.

### **Promotion**

The Premiere Market will be advertised using regional media including television, newspaper and radio advertising. Accepted merchants will be contacted for digital photos to feature your merchandise on our website, Facebook, television, and print media.

### **Accommodations**

A block of hotel rooms at a discounted rate will be offered to our merchants. Merchants who are accepted will be given information on these rooms. Overnight RV parking is available at the Expo. Please check with the Expo Center (979-823-3976) to reserve a space. Exhibitors with self-contained units may dry camp in the Expo parking lot at no charge. Private RV parks are located less than five minutes drive from the Expo Center.



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**MERCHANT APPLICATION**

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

Contact: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City, State, ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Description of items that you will offer for sale at the Premiere Market 2017:

\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Please complete this application by enclosing a check for the amount determined by the number of booths, etc. Your check will be returned to you in September if you are not accepted as a merchant.

___ 10' x 10' booth or booths (\$275 each).	\$ _____
___ Electrical outlet (\$35/per merchant for up to three booths)	\$ _____
___ 6' tables, ___ 8' tables , ___ chairs	No charge
Optional pipe and drape must be ordered in advance:	
___ Black drape, 8' back/3' sides (\$25 for each 10' booth)	\$ _____
___ Black drape, 8' back/8' sides (\$30 for each 10' booth)	\$ _____
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$ _____</b>

Please send this application, a signed Merchant Agreement, and a check made out to Brazos Valley Symphony Society (or BVSS) to: Premiere Market, P.O. Box 3524, Bryan, TX 77805  
Call 979-696-6100; email [market@bvso.org](mailto:market@bvso.org); or check our website <http://bvso.org/events/premiere-market/>, if you have questions. We look forward to having you as a merchant at Premiere Market 2016.



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**MERCHANT AGREEMENT**

\_\_\_\_\_, the "Merchant," and the Brazos Valley Symphony Society ("BVSS") agree to the following terms and conditions related to the Premiere Market to be held on March 30-April 1, 2017

**1. INDEMNITY AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT**

I/We, \_\_\_\_\_, the undersigned – binding my/our heirs, executors, administrators, estate, and assigns – do hereby agree to completely and fully indemnify, defend, and hold harmless the Brazos Valley Symphony Society (BVSS), its officers, employees, directors, independent contractors, and agents (collectively, the "Indemnitees", or individually, an "Indemnitee") from and against any and all claims, causes of action, and/or liabilities of every kind (collectively, "Liabilities") for injury to, or death of, any person or persons or for damage to, or loss of, personal property arising out of or attributed, directly or indirectly, to my/our activities in connection with the Brazos Valley Symphony Society Premiere Market, even if all Liabilities are caused in whole or in part by the negligence of any Indemnitee. I/We assume all risks involved with my/our activities in connection with the Brazos Valley Symphony Society Premiere Market, including the risk of damage to, or theft of, any of my/our business or personal property or inventory, and I waive and relinquish, covenant not to sue, and fully release and forever discharge the Indemnitees from any and all Liabilities whatsoever, at common law or otherwise, that may arise as a result of or in connection with any of my/our activities in connection with the Brazos Valley Symphony Society Premiere Market, even if such Liabilities are caused in whole or in part by the negligence of any Indemnitee.

If this merchant is other than an individual, Merchant certifies, warrants, and represents that the individual whose signature appears below is duly authorized to execute this Agreement on behalf of the firm, corporation, partnership, or other entity who is the Merchant.

**2. LICENSES, PERMITS, AND LICENSES**

The Merchant agrees to obtain, at its own expense, any licenses or permits which are required for the operation of its trade or business during the term of the Premiere Market and to pay all taxes, including all applicable sales taxes, of any nature or kind that may be levied against it as a result of the operation of its trade or business in its contracted space. The Merchant agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the BVSS against any claims by any person or entity arising out of the Merchant's failure to obtain such licenses or permits or to pay any taxes collected and/or owed relating to the Merchant's business.

**3. QUALIFICATION OF BOOTHS AND LOCATION AT THE DISCRETION OF THE BVSS**

The BVSS reserves the right to: (i) determine the eligibility of Merchants and booths for the Premiere Market and to decline the application of, or revoke the agreement with, any prospective vendor or vendor for any reason, (ii) change or modify the layout of the Market and/or relocate booths or Merchants, (iii) cancel, in whole or in part, the Premiere Market for any reason; or (iv) change the date, location and duration of the Market without any liability to the BVSS to the Merchant except as provided in Section 5 below.

**4. REQUIREMENT OF VENDOR INSURANCE**

The Merchant is responsible to insure its own booth, personnel, display and materials from any damage or loss through theft, fire, accident, or other cause and accepts all risks associated with the use of the booth space and its environs. By participating as a Merchant, the Merchant warrants to the BVSS that it has adequate insurance or has the financial ability to cover any eventuality which might result in legal liability to the Merchant or the BVSS arising out of the Merchant's use of the vendor space/booth or the conduct of the Merchant's business. The Merchant shall not make any claim or demand or take any legal action, whatsoever, against the BVSS, the Premiere Market sponsors, or the facility in which the Market is held, for any loss, damage or injury howsoever caused, to the Merchant, its officers, directors, agents, representatives, and employees or their respective property.

**5. REMEDIES IN CASE OF CANCELLATION**

The BVSS reserves the right to cancel the Premiere Market for any reason and the merchant expressly agrees that the sole remedy for the merchant is the refund of the booth fee that has been paid by the merchant. In the event the BVSS cancels the Premiere Market the merchant expressly agrees to waive any and all causes of action, legal remedies, and/or damages against the BVSS except for refund of the booth fee paid by merchant.

Executed on the following date: Month \_\_\_\_\_ Day \_\_\_\_\_ Year \_\_\_\_\_

Merchant: \_\_\_\_\_

By: \_\_\_\_\_