

## at Linda Pedersen Park 2025 General Facts Sheet

**SUMMARY:** Good, old-fashioned family fun, swamp themed festival. Enjoy the relaxed,

casual atmosphere in beautiful Linda Pedersen Park

**LOCATION:** Linda Pedersen Park

6400 Shoal Line Boulevard, Weeki Wachee, FL 34607

**DATE & TIME:** Friday, March 7th 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM

Saturday, March 8th 9:00 AM - 5:00 PMSunday, March 9th 9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

**SET-UP:** Thursday, March 6th 9:30 AM – 5:00 PM

(All food trailers that stay in the park)

Friday, March 7<sup>th</sup> 6:15am – 8am (be ready to open)

**ATTENDANCE:** 3,000 to 5,000 projected

**COST:** All vendors receive 2 free wristbands (required for park entry)

Food vendors may receive up to 5 free wristbands (required for park entry)

Additional wristbands \$3 each for booth personnel

General admission entry fee: \$5 Adults \$3 Children 6-12

FREE shuttle from remote parking

**FEATURES:** Arts & Crafts, Non-stop Entertainment, Swamp Food, Swamp Monster

Contest, Hourly Prize Drawings, Public Service Exhibits

**ENTERTAINMENT:** Variety of live music throughout the festival

**FOOD:** A variety of Swamp Food

**ORGANIZERS:** Members of the Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival

\*\*\*NO PETS/ANIMALS permitted per Hernando County park regulations\*\*\*

For more information or contact information please visit our website www.swampfestweekiwachee.com

#### **Swamp Festival Rules**

- Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival is not responsible and/or accountable for any sales or lack thereof between vendor
  and festival patrons during this event. We only provide the space for your merchandise to be sold. The rental of a
  booth space(s) is at your own risk. We are not responsible for any loss you may incur. It is the sole discretion of
  vendor committee to approve or deny applications.
- Upon arrival, participants must check in to receive their booth assignments. Spaces are preassigned and ARE FINAL. All booths must be set up by 8 AM Friday. Someone from the prize booth will stop by your booth to pick up the donated item.
- Free coffee will be available in the Sweets Booth at the Food Court all weekend starting at 7:30 AM daily
- Participants must prominently display the ID card showing name and space number on your tent and the parking
  pass must be prominently displayed in your vehicle (provided in Sponsor Packet to be picked up at Vendor
  check-in). Wristbands are required for all persons entering the park and must be worn all weekend.
- Participants must be present during the entire festival. (No one is permitted to breakdown their booth before 4 PM on Sunday unless prior arrangements are made). Failure to follow this rule will result in ineligibility for future Swamp Fest events.
- Participants are required to provide their own tents, tie down weights, tables, chairs, etc. and have complete responsibility for their own exhibits. Please keep all areas clean and dispose of trash in designated places.
- Generators allowed with noise level not exceeding 70 decibels.
- Electricity is available for an added fee. See registration form for more details. **Space is limited.**
- Set up between the paint marks at your designated booth space.
- If you need additional supplies brought to your location during the event, please contact the Swamp Fest Info Booth to assist you in making arrangements. You are not allowed to bring vehicles into the event during event hours.
- Vehicles must be parked in APPROVED parking spaces or they will be towed at the owner's expense. See a parking volunteer if you have any questions. Please respect designated handicap spaces and park beyond them.
- Vehicles will be permitted in the park prior to festival start time for unloading and restocking. All vehicles must be removed by 8AM and may not reenter the park until 5:45 PM Fri-Sat. or 4:45 PM Sun. For safety reasons there is NO vehicle movement of any kind permitted within the park between 8AM and 5:45PM Fri-Sat or 4:45PM Sun.
- Animals/Pets are NOT permitted in Linda Pederson Park per Hernando County park regulations. Please make other arrangements.
- Vendors are NOT permitted to offer items that launch projectiles (toy guns, bow & arrow, slingshot, etc), raffle tickets, baked goods or anything deemed exclusive to Weeki Wachee Swamp Fest.
- All vendors are restricted to distributing information/products at their booths so as not to impede the flow of traffic
- All political candidates must work out of their party affiliated booth, individual booths are not permitted.
- No helium balloons are to be given for advertisement due to environmental concerns. H.E.L.P. is one of the Festival Organizers.
- No unauthorized photography/videography of festival participants without written approval by Swamp Fest Officials and signed consent by individuals being photographed/videoed.
- Any group or individual found to be in violation of these rules will be put on notice. Failure to comply with any request
  by Festival personnel will result in eviction from the park and ineligibility to attend the Festival in the future. Festival
  personnel reserve the right to refuse entrance or effect anyone deemed disruptive.

#### **Swamp Festival Release:**

All applicants agree for themselves and all affiliated persons to comply with event rules and regulations and to forever discharge the Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival, its officers, volunteers, sponsoring organizations, Linda Pederson Park and other participants from all matters of actions, suits, damages, claims and demands whatsoever in law or equity, from any loss of damage to the undersigned property while in possession, supervision or auspices of the Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival, Linda Pederson Park, its agents, representatives or volunteers/employees.

I declare that all of the statements in the application are truthful and correct statements and representative of my art/craft/food and the art/craft/food I will bring to the festival. I understand that if in the sole opinion of the festival committee, my application or art/craft/food contains fraudulent or incorrect statements I may be ruled ineligible for the festival or removed at any time. Penalties after the determination of ineligibility or removal will include forfeiture of participation in future Swamp Fest events. I agree to abide by the Festival Rules and understand the Weeki Wachee Swamp Fest Committee reserves the right to make the final interpretation of all rules.

I understand that uncivil behavior or breach of professional decorum will be cause for immediate expulsion from Festival grounds.

Please check box on application page that you have read and understand these rules www.swampfestweekiwachee.com



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### Please take a moment to familiarize yourself with this important information

#### Parking and Set-up

- · Park in area designated for vendors only or risk being towed. See parking volunteer with questions.
- Set up only between the paint marks at your designated booth space.
- Set up must be completed and vehicles out of the gates by 8:00 a.m. Friday morning.
- Advertising and sales of your products or services must be done <u>only</u> from your designated space.
- Complete the contact and emergency contact information requested on the back of your booth tag.
- Booth tag MUST BE displayed on the front of your booth at all times for emergency purposes. Use provided clip to secure it and Ziploc bag to protect it in case of rain.
- Breaking down tents is not permitted during festival hours and must be completed after 5:30 p.m. Friday and Saturday and after 4:30 p.m. Sunday. This will be enforced and early break down will result in denied access to future events.

#### Wristbands

- All persons entering the park are REQUIRED to wear wrist bands <u>at all times</u>. This includes all persons you will have working at your booth. One wrist band per person is valid for the entire event.
- Vendors are welcome to free coffee at the baked goods booth starting around 7:30 a.m.
   Additional wristbands are available at the ticket booth or info booth at a cost of \$3 each.

#### Housekeeping and Security

- Do not leave food in your tent overnight. It's like an invitation to the swamp critters!
- Night security will be provided but please secure your area before leaving each day.
- Please leave your area as you found it. This is home for many swamp critters!!
- Under NO circumstances are animals allowed within the park per Hernando County regulations.
- NO photography/videography without prior written approval by Swamp Fest officials and consent of the individuals to be photographed or videoed.

We hope you find everything satisfactory.

If you have any issues, please see a festival volunteer located at the information booth near the stage.



Applicants Signature: \_

# Non-Profit, 501(c)(3) Vendor Application March 7-9, 2025

Date:

		Please print:	
Organization Name:			
Contact Name:			
Address:			
City:		State:	Zip Code
Cell Phone:	Email:		
Emergency Contact:		Conta	act Phone:
Trailer? ☐ Yes ☐ No • If Yes	s will it be parked behind	your space? □ Yes □	No
Would you like to donate a g	gift from your booth? 🗖 Ye	es 🛘 No	
(If yes, please have it ready	for Friday AM pick-up) · [	Donation	
Confirmation via ☐ Email or	Mail (If mail, please er	nclose a Self-Addresse	ed Stamped Envelope)
Please indicate setup date ☐ Thur. March 6, 2025, 9 ☐ Fri. March 7, 2025, 6:19	:30am to 5:00pm	movement after 8am)	
Category of Exhibit		Category of Art	/Craft
501(c)(3) \$0.00	Description of Exhibit		
(Limited availability)	(Please describe what the page 1		/
Late Fee \$30.00 After Jan. 25, 2025 per space)			
Wrist Bands \$3.00			
(each - beyond the 2 supplied			
**required for park entry**)  Total			
	ake checks payable to	o: Weeki Wachee S	Swamp Festival
****	**APPLICATION DEAD	LINE FRIDAY, Jan	uary 25, 2025****
			om or mail application with attachments to:
			91 • Weeki Wachee, FL 34613 wampfestweekiwachee.com
All registrants agree for thomselves and	•	Festival Release:	and to forever discharge the Weeki Wachee Swamp Festival,
its officers, volunteers, sponsoring org	ganizations, Linda Pederson Park, oever in law or equity, from any los	Hernando County Departmer ss of damage to the undersign	nts and other participants from all matters of actions, suits, ed property while in possession, supervision or auspices of
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