

Swartz Bay Marketplace 2022: Invitation to participate

About the marketplace

BC Ferries is looking for local Indigenous artisans to be a part of this years Swartz Bay Marketplace. The marketplace runs until September 19th, 2022 and is made up of various artisans from around Victoria and surrounding Gulf Islands. It is an opportunity for local vendors to sell their products to the customers that travel through the terminal.

We have two (2) booth spaces currently available for Indigenous artists and makers that would be provided on a complimentary basis for a two week time period this summer.

Interested vendors should send details of all products proposed to be sold including description and approximate retail selling price to tamara.olson@bcferries.com. Pictures of products are also helpful to see.

What is provided

A covered booth is provided; the size will be either 10 x 15 feet or 15 x 15 feet. BC Ferries will provide at least one (1) storage table for each booth if requested, which can be locked and may form the selling counter. Licensees must supply their own locks for the storage area.

Vendors will be required to secure their booth at the end of the day, and leave the area in a neat and tidy condition, cleaning up all refuse in their space. Music is prohibited by BC Ferries.

Dates and Hours of Operation:

The Marketplace operates until September 19, 2022, seven days a week

- Sunday through Friday: all booths set up and open for sales during peak sailing periods. Suggested times are 9:00am – 5:00pm
- Suggested hours on Saturday are 9 am to 2 pm for July/August ; 9 am to 1 pm during shoulder season for September

Prohibited Merchandise includes, but is not limited to:

- Chewing gum
- Firearms
- Alcoholic beverages: beer, wines and spirits
- Purchase and carry of liquor products
- Legal or Illegal drugs (including those that may become legalized)
- Sex-trade articles, including magazines, books and videos
- Live animals
- Gaming and gambling products and services of any kind
- Fuel, oil and related automobile products of the type sold at a gas service station
- Accommodation bookings including Hotel or motel rooms or like services
- Commercial office space for rental to third parties
- Children's toys
- Any product, imagery or written words that BC Ferries deems to be racist, misogynistic, sexist, or discriminatory in nature. This includes the glorification of firearms and/or violence/war

If you have any questions or would like to submit an application, please contact Tamara Olson at tamara.olson@bcferries.com

