



Iron Range Earth Fest 2012 Application for Exhibitors, Speakers, Vendors



Also available at
www.ironrangeearthfest.org

Iron Range Earth Fest is a celebration of local traditions and practical resources for sustainable living. Participants are invited to learn about new and existing technological approaches as well as rediscover some of our long standing local traditions. We will tap into the knowledge of cutting edge experts as well as our local indigenous knowledge through exhibits, demonstrations, speakers and vendors. Emphasis is placed on local products, local services, local foods, local traditions and our local wilderness.

Earth Fest is the signature event of the Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability (IRPS). The mission of IRPS is to stimulate conversation and action for a sustainable future on the Iron Range of northeast Minnesota. The goal of IRPS and Earth Fest is to encourage people to incorporate sustainability practices into their daily lives, help them see how they can play a role in sustaining our economy, our environment and our communities and help them understand the importance of a holistic relationship between those three elements of sustainability. We are a 501c3 nonprofit corporation.

The 4th annual Iron Range Earth Fest will be held on April 21, 2012 at the Mt Iron Community Center, Messiah Lutheran Church and Mt Iron Merritt Elementary School. This event is presented by the Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability (IRPS) and the Iron Range Resources and Rehabilitation Board (IRRRB).

We invite you to join us if you feel you have information, services, or products relating to one of the three areas of sustainability, which include our communities, our economy and environment. Space is limited, and on a first come first serve basis. Please complete the form below and return with any appropriate fees, and a completed ST19 form by March 5, 2012. The Earth Fest Committee will let you know if your application has been accepted by March 23, 2012.

What is Sustainability?

Meeting the needs of the present without compromising the ability of future generations to meet their needs.

What is a Sustainable Community?

A sustainable community seeks to maintain and improve the economic, environmental and social characteristics of an area so its members can continue to lead healthy, productive, enjoyable lives there.

What are the Three Elements of Sustainability?

Where Do I Fit Into the Conversation?

Community or social capital includes the vast resources and potential of each individual and our collective institutions. Think of our knowledge, our education and health care systems, and the many ways we govern and make decisions. Social capital also includes recreation, politics, religion, and cultural traditions.

Economic capital encompasses everything we need to produce, deliver, and consume goods and services. This includes tools and technologies, turning resources into products, our money and financial systems, and transportation and communication infrastructures.

Environmental capital consists of the Earth's natural resources: energy sources, water, air, wood, water, plants and wildlife. It also includes the services that living systems provide, such as plant turning carbon dioxide into oxygen, wetlands absorbing flood water, and soil filtering our water.

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Company / Organization Name: _____

Contact: _____

Address: _____

City, State, Zip: _____

Work Phone: _____ Home or Cell Phone: _____

Email: _____

Website: _____

I will set up my booth on: Friday night, April 20th (by appointment) _____ Saturday morning, April 21st _____

I would like to participate as a(n): (check all that apply)

_____ Exhibitor – Informational / educational display

_____ Vendor – Selling sustainability related products (we're not allowed to sell anything at the Community Center)

_____ Speaker – Presenting educational information (limited opportunities - topics will be selected by committee)

\$ _____ Total non-refundable exhibitor/vendor booth fee enclosed
(\$25 per booth exhibitor/vendor fee must be included with application to reserve space, no fee for speakers)

If you cannot afford the booth fee, scholarships are available - contact Ardy (below)

_____ Completed State of Minnesota form ST19 (**REQUIRED** for all exhibitors and vendors - even if you are not selling anything, just check the box on the ST19 form stating that you are not selling)

Please return completed application and exhibitor / vendor fee of \$25 per booth by March 5, 2012:
(Checks made out to IRPS, complete pages 2 & 3, be sure to sign page 3 & include your completed ST19 form)

Ardy Nurmi-Wilberg, 1322 12th St So, Virginia, MN 55792
218-749-4331 ardynw@msn.com

PLEASE COMPLETE

Information as you would like it to appear in our program guide

Name (business, organization):

Contact information (website or phone number):

Brief description of your exhibit, business or products sold (75 characters including spaces)

Brief description of speakers presentation (50 characters including spaces)

1. Do you need electricity? ____ Yes ____ No (limited availability, 1st come 1st serve - bring your own extension cord)

2. As a speaker I need: Access to a laptop computer _____ I will bring my own computer _____
PowerPoint Projector _____ TV/DVD Player _____

3. How many 10' x 8' booth spaces do you require? _____ (Multiple spaces are limited at \$25 per booth)
Each booth space will have one 8' x 3' table. You must provide your own skirting and table coverings.

Schedule:

- Iron Range Earth Fest is on April 21, 2012 from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
- Venues: Mt Iron Community Center - Messiah Lutheran Church - Merritt Elementary School
- Venue location and speaker times assigned by Earth Fest Committee
We will attempt to respond to requests
Due to venue rules, no one is allowed to sell merchandise in the Mt Iron Community Center
We make every effort to have exhibit/vendor space and speaker locations in the same venue
- Exhibitor/vendor set-up times are:
Friday, April 20th / 5 - 7:00 p.m. - by request
Saturday, April 21st / 7 - 8:30 a.m.
All exhibitors and vendors must be set up by 8:30 a.m. on event day, Saturday, April 21st
- Exhibitor/vendor booth take down will not begin until after 4:00 p.m. - PLEASE do not start breaking down before then

I have read and agree to the rules, regulations & hold harmless agreement of Iron Range Earth Fest as stated below:

Signature _____ Date _____

Rules & Regulations:

1. All exhibitors and vendors must complete form ST19 from the State of Minnesota and attach to completed application. Without this completed form we cannot allow you to participate in our event.
If not attached to this form – download at <http://www.taxes.state.mn.us/taxes/sales/forms/st19.pdf>
2. Displays and exhibits must be set up and taken down at designated times - no early departures, please!
3. Only masking tape is allowed on walls and floors. No scotch or duct tape is allowed. No “hangers” of any kind are allowed.
4. All displays and exhibits must be in keeping with the high standards of this event. The planning committee reserves the right to refuse any display or exhibit or ask for modifications.
5. All displays and exhibits must comply with all of the rules & regulations of the local Fire & Health Department. Fire exits and alleys must be kept open at all times.

INDEMNITY (HOLD HARMLESS) AGREEMENT

I, the Exhibitor/Applicant, including all my employees, agents and other representatives hereby holds harmless and indemnifies the Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability, Iron Range Earth Fest Committees, members, sponsors, employees, board members, volunteers, and other representatives of each from and against any and all claims, damages, actions, judgments, decrees, penalties and/or personal injury, and /or damaged or lost property arising out of or from the use of the premises or any part thereof, or any other part of the City of Mt Iron property, Messiah Lutheran church property or Mt Iron Buhl School District property whether occasioned wholly or in part by any act or omission, or negligence, or any reason whatsoever of Exhibitor/Applicant, its sub-exhibitor, employees, promoters, agents, invitees, contractors, etc as a result of the actions of the participating vendor in Iron Range Earth Fest. The Exhibitor/Applicant also agrees to hold the Iron Range Partnership for Sustainability, Iron Range Earth Fest Committees, the City of Mt Iron, Messiah Lutheran Church, Mt Iron School District, members, sponsors, employees, board members, volunteers, and other representatives harmless and not responsible whatsoever for loss, theft, burglary, robbery, damage, fire, etc to any and all possessions, personal property of any kind, including but not limited to equipment, supplies, prizes, merchandise, exhibits, etc of the Exhibitor/Applicant or any of its sub-exhibitors, employees, promoters, agents, guests, invitees, contractor etc. I agree to use my best efforts to present a high quality product or service to and cooperate with the event in assuring that this year's event will be the best possible.