



Southwest Arbor Fest Application

16th Annual Southwest Arbor Fest held on Saturday, April 22
at Lincoln Park from 12:00pm – 5:00pm.



Application Deadline: April 14

Event questions please contact Emily Krause at 970-254-3875

Mac & Cheese Cook-Off

\$60.00 _____ Please read all of the contest information on page 2

\$45.00 _____ Recruit a friend – Submit two applications together and both applicants get \$15 off.

Jalapeno Eating Contest \$10.00 _____ We are allowing limited number of competitors for a chance to win \$100, last person standing!

Arts and Crafts Booth \$50.00 _____ Must provide a copy of a sales tax license at time of registration. Describe in detail what you will be selling or promoting at your booth:

Arbor Booth - FREE _____ For businesses/organizations involved in the community as a nursery, tree farm, landscaping company, garden center, or anything similar. Describe in detail what you will be selling or promoting at your booth:

Contact Person: _____ Birthdate: _____

Home Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone #1: _____ Phone #2: _____ Email: _____

Business/Organization: _____

Business Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Booth Location Requests: _____

All booths are provided a 10 X 10 space

No water or electricity will be provided

One week prior to the event a map and letter with additional information will be sent to all participants.

PRIZES: Mac & Cheese ~ 1st Place: \$300 2nd Place: \$150 People's Choice: \$300
Jalapeno Eating Contest ~ Last Person Standing: \$100

Please submit application and payment to:

Grand Junction Parks and Recreation Department
1340 Gunnison Avenue
Grand Junction, CO 81501
970-254-3866

Mac & Cheese Cook-Off Information

Your Entry Fee Includes:

- Ability to enter one recipe.
- 10 x 10 booth space. You are responsible for your own tent and chairs, one 8 foot table will be provided.
- The ability for two people to taste all the Mac & Cheese contest entries.

Contest Rules

1. There are two ways you can win, by the professional judges and by the people's choice. At 12:15pm a sample of your recipe will be collected for the judging table. The people's choice will end at 4pm or whenever you run out of Mac & Cheese. The awards ceremony will be held at 4:30pm or at the conclusion of the Jalapeno Eating Contest which starts at 4pm.
 - a. Judge 1st Place: \$300
 - b. Judge 2nd Place: \$150
 - c. People's Choice: \$300
2. The Southwest Arbor Fest Mac & Cheese Cook-Off takes place outside in Lincoln Park. This is a rain or shine event and will not be rescheduled due to inclement weather.
3. Contestants are responsible for providing and setting up their own tent and chairs. An 8 foot table will be provided to all contestants. All contestants are required to be setup by 11:00am. A map will be available the week prior to the event with exact booth locations.
4. Contestants are responsible for providing all necessary equipment to keep and serve their Mac & Cheese following all Health Department safe food handling practices.
5. No electricity will be available.
6. Setup for Mac & Cheese contestants is from 10am-11:00am. A mandatory chefs' meeting will be held at 11:30am on the day of the event. The meeting will be located at the City of Grand Junction booth inside the beer and Mac & Cheese gardens. Judging collection cups will be provided at this time.
7. All contestants need to bring enough Mac & Cheese to provide a minimum of 350 1oz servings of the same recipe.
8. All contestants must use noodles and some form of cheese in the recipe. Please be prepared to disclose any ingredients that might cause potential allergies.
9. Tasting participants will be given 1oz tasting cups and spoons. Contestants only need to be able to serve their Mac & Cheese.
- 10. Want to reduce your entry fee? Get a friend to compete and turn in both of your applications together to get \$15 off each!**