



CARIBBEAN AND FLORIDIAN ASSOCIATION, INC.

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The Caribbean And Floridian Association, Inc., (hereinafter referred to as CAFA). **"Caribbean Fusion Festival"**

Sunday, April 26, 2026

Vendor Rules: Please keep a copy for your records and return a copy with your initials next to each "x" identifying that you have read/understood the corresponding information.

Application Process:

X Vendor Space: CAFA will assign vendor spaces based on booth requirements and the park layout; always keeping the best interest of the event in mind. Vendors will be directed to their respective assigned space upon completion of check-in on the day of the event. All vendors must use canopies/tents for their booth space will be required to have at least **24-pound tent weights on each corner of their canopy/tent**. (You may contact entertainment@cafainc.org to verify/confirm arrangements for meeting the "tent weight" requirement prior to arriving at the park).

Deadlines: Applications must be completed fully, **signed** by vendor and include all appropriate fees. Applications received that are incomplete, unsigned or without the appropriate fees will be immediately returned to the Vendor. Applications must be received no later than **15** (April 18, 2026) days prior to the event to receive an email acceptance letter.

X Approval: Applications will be approved /denied based on event needs, space availability and/or number of duplicated products. The submittal of an application does not guarantee a vendor's acceptance into this event. All decisions are at CAFA's discretion. CAFA has the right to deny or cancel any vendor that does not meet the professional expectations and guidelines of CAFA and the City of Kissimmee. **CAFA DOES NOT GUARANTEE EXCLUSIVITY** for vendors on items.

Notification: Upon approval of the application, CAFA will send email notification to the vendor prior to the event. Vendors requiring an immediate response may do so by sending an email to entertainment@cafainc.org to receive a general response.

Denial: Upon denial of an application, CAFA will attempt to contact the vendor via phone/e-mail prior to mailing the monies back.

Refunds/Cancellation: There are no **refunds available** for approved vendors who cancel as of the day of the event. Approved vendors that cancel or are a "no show" on the day of the event will forfeit their application fee(s) for this event. **CAFA has no control over the weather and is not obligated to refund any vendor if this event is affected.**

Application: Vendor fees and spaces are non-transferable. Vendors who sign the application are responsible for the booth and contents. No one will be permitted to sign up or pay for anyone other than themselves. Double booths must be assigned side by side.

B. General Rules:

Booth Space: All vendors must have a canopy/tent. Food vendors may have self-contained trailers instead. Each individual craft and merchandise space is 10'x10'. Vendors requiring more than 10'x10' space must purchase additional space. (Any tent over 10x10 must obtain approval from CAFA and require permit approval from the City of Kissimmee.) Each individual food location is 20'x20' and is allocated for one vendor.

Booth Requirements: All vendors must operate under a Flame-Retardant canopy or from a self-contained trailer for food vendors. Push carts, umbrella stands, display tables and strolling vendors are not permitted, unless approved by CAFA. All vendors must provide their own tent, tables, chairs, dollies, non-electrical lighting, and other operational equipment **(Medical/Health vendors will share allocated space in the Health Fair section). Vendors must obtain an official tent permit from the City of Kissimmee's Building department for any tents/shade canopies that are larger than 10x10 and must submit fire retardant certificate 30 days prior to the event. ALL TENTS / SHADE CANOPIES MUST BE ANCHORED ABOVE GROUND AND AT NO TIME SHALL STAKES BE DRIVEN INTO THE GROUND WITHOUT PRIOR CITY APPROVAL. TENT WEIGHTS SHOULD BE AT LEAST 24 POUNDS PER LEG. (SEE ATTACHED SPECIFICATIONS.)

Booth Relocation: All vendors must utilize their assigned spaces. Trading/Relocating assigned booth spaces is not permitted. Vendors will not be permitted to move into the park unless licensee is present or without approval from the CAFA Event Coordinator and/or designee. ***Vendors are responsible for removing empty boxes, trash, plastic bags etc. and are responsible for the cleanliness of the rental area (must be left in the same condition, as it was when you arrived) before departing the park

Set up Directions: Prior to the event vendors will receive a letter detailing set-up instruction. On event day, vendors must check in with **event staff** prior to entering the event area. All vendors must be set up & all vehicles removed from the event area no later than (1) hour prior to the event starting.

Present your notification letter to the staff upon arrival.

Take-Down Directions: Early take down: Vendors who leave before the official end of the event must dolly their equipment out of the park to their vehicles. Vendors will be allowed to bring their vehicles into the park after the official end of the event is deemed by event staff. This may be as long as (1) hour after the event.

Parking: Vendors are directed to drop off their booth equipment/supplies in the event area during specified set up time and park their vehicles in specified parking areas. Vehicles parked in unauthorized areas are subject to be towed.

Sales Tax: All vendors will comply with Department of Revenue tax collection rules. Contact the Division of Collection and Enforcement at 800-352-3671 for tax information and appropriate forms. CAFA is not responsible for tax collection.

Alcoholic Beverages: No alcohol may be sold or consumed by any vendor.

Inventory List: All vendors are limited to selling only those **approved** items listed on their application. CAFA reserves the right to deny the sales of any items it deems unacceptable or inappropriate. No selling of replicated licensed merchandise like CD's or DVD's "but not limited to" are permitted.

Liability Waiver: All vendors agree to discharge CAFA and the City of Kissimmee, its employees and sponsors from any suits or claims based on property/possession loss or damage. All vendors agree to comply with the rules set forth and implemented on the day of the event. CAFA reserves the right to revise any rule for the betterment of the event and its customers. **Vendors may not dispense any products in glass containers.**

Exclusivity: Food vendors will be notified of any exclusivity agreements pertaining to food sales (beverage, ice, etc.) Vendors must abide by these agreements.

Inspection: **CAFA reserves the right to inspect any vendor's booth space at any time to enforce all rules & regulations.**

Merchandising: CAFA must approve all relevant merchandising vendors to confirm/approve their items for sale. **Merchandise is only accepted based on the theme of the event and is highly selective.** CAFA will not allow solicitation, strolling sales or anything of the like without approval.

C. Food Vendor Rules Only:

Insurance: All approved **food vendors** must provide a **\$1,000,000 liability insurance certificate** identifying CAFA and the City of Kissimmee (Lakefront Park) **as co-insured or additional insured** for the event date. Certificates that do not identify CAFA and the City of Kissimmee as 'certificate holder' will not be accepted. CAFA and the City of Kissimmee must receive an appropriate insurance certificate from the vendor no later than (15) calendar days prior to the event. Failure to provide the certificate will result in the vendor's loss of booth space and fee.

Electricity: Vendors can bring their own small (silent) generators as CAFA will not guarantee electricity.

Generators need to be coned off and extension cords must be rated for outdoor use and UL approved.

Cords in areas where pedestrians are present must be appropriately covered or flagged.

Environmental Requirements: Food vendors may not sell/dispense any products in glass containers. **All food waste including cooking oil must be disposed of properly in the pre-designated Waste Disposal Dumpster. ALL VENDOR TRASH MUST BE PLACED IN A TRASH CAN POST EVENT OR TAKEN TO THE DUMPSTER.** Any trash left on the ground may result in cancellation of future participation.

Fire Department Requirements: **Food Vendors operating from a canopy may not utilize gas grills, griddles, or other flame/grease apparatus directly under the canopy. (It is against regulations to "utilize gas grills, griddles or other flame/grease apparatus directly under the canopy"). There shall be no cooking under a tent. All canopies or tents must have fire retardant certificate, and all cooking apparatuses must be in a close and secure area within the vendor's assigned space up to 20x20 feet. Food vendors must have a **2A 40 BC fire extinguisher available in the cooking area. This requirement is strictly enforced by the fire department.** **Vendors who do not comply will not be allowed to participate in the event and will lose any deposits/payments as well.**

State Requirements: Food vendors must follow all the rules set forth in the Guidelines for Temporary Events produced by the Florida Department of Business and Professional Regulations Division of Hotels and Restaurants. The inspectors will come out to the event to license and inspect all food vendors and charge a licensing fee. All food vendors must have in their possession a money order in the amount of \$91.00 and the requisite liability insurance as referenced previously to present to the Inspector on the day of the event.

ALL FOOD MUST BE PREPARED AND COOKED ON-SITE TO MEET STATE GUIDELINES. Non-Profit organizations are exempt from the fee but must meet all requirements and present their 501-C-3 form. The responsibility to meet all these requirements is the sole discretion of the food vendors. Failure to meet these guidelines will lead to a removal from the event with no refund. Businesses and consumers can perform functions such as searching for information on a license, apply for a license or file a complaint at www.MyFloridaLicense.com, phone #850-487-1395.

Contact/email (State of Florida Food Inspector) in advance at dhr.info@myfloridalicense.com for additional information.

You must retain this sheet for important rules and set-up information.

Lakefront Park: 201 Lakeview Drive, Kissimmee, FL 34741.

For an application packet, vendors may download directly from the website www.cafainc.org or **BY SENDING AN E-MAIL TO: entertainment@cafainc.org.**

You must retain this sheet for important rules and set-up information. Lakefront Park: 201 Lakeview Drive, Kissimmee, FL 34741.

LIST ALL ITEMS TO BE SOLD AND SUBMIT A PHOTO. ITEMS NOT LISTED WILL NOT BE PERMITTED TO BE SOLD (attached additional sheet if needed):

Booth Description (Select one): Canopy | Self-Contained Trailer Total Size: _____ FT x _____ FT

Do you need temporary access to water? Yes | No

By signing this application, I agree to abide by all rules set forth by CAFA for this event, the City of Kissimmee Special Event Vendor rules, Federal, State and City regulation.

Payment Information:

- 1) Make check payable to CAFA (***No personal checks accepted two weeks prior to the event, late fee assessed after deadline.***)
- 2) Zelle: treasurer@cafainc.org
- 3) Cash App: **\$CAFAINC**
- 4) No applications accepted after Monday prior to the event, based on space availability.
- 5) **All vendors must submit to a 20% cancellation fee; this fee will not be returned if the prospective vendor cancels after acceptance and approval has been granted.** Approved vendors that cancel or are a "no show" on the day of the event will forfeit their application fee(s) for this event.

2026 Caribbean Fusion Festival
Sunday, April 26, 2026
Time: 12:00 Noon – 7:00 PM

Deadline: Saturday, April 18, 2026 (based on availability). You must contact Donna Cadogan directly (407) 257-0283 after April 18, 2026, if you are still seeking to be a vendor.

VENDOR FEES

- Food 20' x 20' location \$600/location
- Non-Profit Food 20' x 20' location \$500/location
- Merchandise 10' x10' spaces \$350/space
- Business Org. 10' x 10' spaces (No Sales) \$300/space
- Craft 10'x 10' spaces \$150/space
- Non-profit display (no sales) \$150/space
- Medical/Health Services \$250/space

Payment by Check: Check #: _____ Driver's License _____
(Reqd. for Checks)

(Money Order or Cashier's Check Accepted)

Electronic Payment Methods:

Zelle: treasurer@cafainc.org or CashApp: \$CAFAINC

Return application/check to: CAFA, P.O. Box 450786, Kissimmee, FL 34743.

Scan and email application to: entertainment@cafainc.org

Contact Name: _____ Company Name: _____

Address: _____ City _____

St.: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: Business () Home () Cell ()

E-mail address: _____

Print Vendor Name

Vendor's Signature

Date of Signature