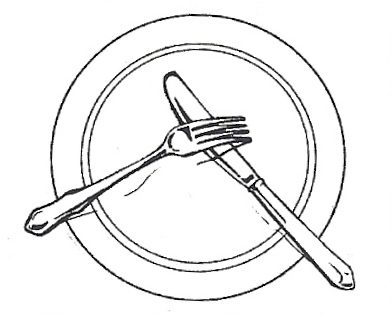


[6th Annual Winter Buy Local Market](http://agriculture.vermont.gov/producer_partner_resources/market_access_development/buylocalmarkets)

Taste, Learn & Buy Vermont Agricultural Products



Wednesday, February 1, 2017 | 4:00–7:00 PM

“[Consumer Night](http://agriculture.vermont.gov/producer_partner_resources/market_access_development/farm_show/consumer_night)” at the [Vermont Farm Show](http://www.vtfarmshow.com/)

Blue Ribbon Pavilion Building, Champlain Valley Exposition, Essex Jct., Vermont

The [Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Food & Markets](http://agriculture.vermont.gov/), in conjunction with the Vermont Farm Show, is pleased to announce the 6th annual Winter Buy Local Market to be held during Consumer Night on February 1, 2017. The Buy Local Market will present consumers with an ideal opportunity to taste, learn, and buy Vermont agricultural products from across our state in one convenient location.

Last year’s Winter Buy Local Market featured over 50 farmers and producers of local cheese, meat, fruits and vegetables, milk, maple syrup, jams, culinary oils, honey, wine, beer, spirits, wool, and handmade crafts as well as ready-to-eat prepared foods such as bacon hot dogs and ice cream cones. Over 500 people shopped and grazed their way through the local product booths, and three raffle prizes were awarded to lucky Buy Local Market customers.

**WHAT**

* FREE Booth Space for vendors of agricultural products, with a goal of representing every corner of Vermont.

Limited tables & space! Express your interest in participating by **December 5, 2016**.

* Variety of agricultural products from across the state – vegetables, fruits, dairy products, jams, pickles & preserves, meats, maple, honey, beer, wine & spirits, prepared & ready-to-eat foods, grains, fiber, crafts, etc.
* The intent is to provide opportunity for vendors to sell product and provide information to consumers.
* Vendors should be prepared for consumers to sample their products.
* All products must meet all state and federal regulatory requirements.

**WHY**

* Feature the best agricultural products that Vermont communities have to offer, during the Farm Show.
* Expansion of market opportunity for your products.
* Additional exposure of your products if featured in Capital Cook Off event activities.
* Local radio and television coverage.

**HOW**

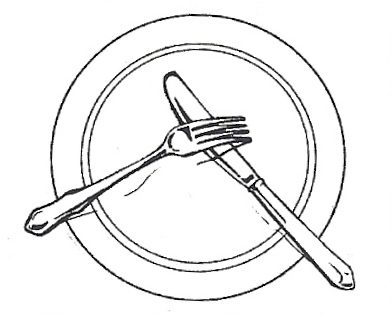
* Submit the attached form with your farm or business name and address along with a list of products to be vended.
* Return completed application by **Monday, December 5, 2016** to the Agency of Agriculture – Faith Raymond

*Mail to:* Vermont Agency of Agriculture, Faith Raymond, 116 State St., Montpelier, VT 05620-2901,

*Or email*: [faith.raymond@vermont.gov](mailto:faith.raymond@vermont.gov) to express your interest in participating in the Buy Local Market.

* ALL vendors must be properly insured in accordance with Champlain Valley Exposition guidelines.   
  Please provide a Certificate of Insurance for your policy including general liability with minimum limits of $1,000,000, also listing the Vermont Farm Show and Champlain Valley Exposition as additional insured. Have insurance agent email a copy of your Certificate of Liability Insurance to Faith Raymond at [faith.raymond@vermont.gov](mailto:faith.raymond@vermont.gov).   
  All Certificates must be emailed by **Monday, December 5, 2016**.
* Only limited tables will be available; tables are 3’ x 8’, with two folding chairs per table.
* Representation from across Vermont’s communities & agricultural products are desired, so some prioritization may be necessary.
* For more information, contact Faith Raymond at [faith.raymond@vermont.gov](mailto:faith.raymond@vermont.gov) or (802) 828-1619   
  or Kristina Sweet at [kristina.sweet@vermont.gov](mailto:kristina.sweet@vermont.gov) or (802) 522-7811.

Application Form – 2017 Winter Buy Local Market



February 1, 2017 | 4:00–7:00 PM | Champlain Valley Exhibition, Essex Junction, Vermont

**Name**  **Email**

**Farm/Business Name**  **County**

**Address** **Town**  **Zip**

**Phone (Cell)**  **Phone (Home or Business)**

**Products to Display & Vend**

**Does your booth require electricity?** (Yes or No)  
*A limited number of outlets are available and will determine your location within the Blue Ribbon Pavilion.*

**Will you be offering alcohol product tastings?** (Yes or No)

*Exhibitors offering alcohol tastings must have a Certificate of Insurance listing both the Vermont Farm Show and Champlain Valley Exposition as additional insured. The Liqueur Liability Certificate must show liability limits and liquor liability limits.*

**Cooking Restrictions & Requirements**

*No open flame inside the Blue Ribbon Pavilion. Hot plates and other warming devices are allowed. All prepared food vendors should have their own small fire extinguisher with them.*

**Local Ingredients (Prepared or Ready-to-Eat Foods Only)**

*List at least three locally-produced ingredients and the farm or producer they come from. (You will be required to post a sign with the ingredients and the farm or producer they came from at your table (e.g., carrots from Old MacDonald Farm.) Priority will be given to food vendors showing the greatest commitment to and use of local agricultural ingredients.*

**Item(s)                              Local Ingredient(s)                                          Source**

*(example) pie\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_     blueberries\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Old MacDonald’s Farm\_\_*

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**Display Guidelines**

* Clean and attractive booth space and display
* Encouraged to sell product
* Sampling and tasting optional
* Educational and promotional materials may be shared

**Selection Criteria**

* Diversity of counties represented
* Diversity of agricultural products
* First come, first served
* Ag product samples

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