



First Annual

Viet Fest

**Vietnamese Heritage Festival
2012 Vendor Proposal**

Dear Prospective Vendor:

On behalf of the Board of Directors for the National Organization of Vietnamese American Leaders of Greater Washington, DC (NOVAL), I am writing to invite you to support NOVAL's first annual **Vietnamese Heritage Festival** (VietFest), which will be held at **George Mason University** on **Saturday, June 23, 2012**.

The Vietnamese Heritage Festival is an event that will not only showcase our beautiful culture but also support the Vietnamese community by marketing local businesses, restaurants and nonprofit organizations to the greater Washington, DC community. There will be authentic cuisines from all three regions of Vietnam, games and carnivals for children, a fashion show by Vietnamese American designers, a Miss VietFest pageant, and entertainment from popular Vietnamese singers and performers. In addition, there will be art, photography, poetry, and writing competitions and tournaments in Chinese chess and ping pong. This will be a fun and exciting event for people of all ages. Thus our theme is Unity in Culture.

NOVAL is a community-based nonprofit organization with a mission to develop sustainable leadership among Vietnamese Americans. We are comprised of professionals and college students who are passionate and committed towards advancing the economic, social and political well-being of the Vietnamese American people. Our activities are aimed at developing leadership skills among our members, promoting civic participation and philanthropy, and fostering community and cultural heritage.

Given the need to preserve the Vietnamese heritage and increase awareness to the greater Washington, DC community, we are proud to help make this event possible and hope you will join us in this effort. Your sponsorship is critical to the success of this first-time event and your support will have a far-reaching effect on sustaining the Vietnamese tradition for generations to come.

You can support VietFest as a sponsor within tiered amounts of \$20,000 (Festival), \$10,000 (Underwriting), \$5,000 (Presenting), \$2,500 (Supporting), or \$1,000 (Event) or as a food, exhibition, game or commercial vendor. More details are provided on the enclosed Sponsorship and Vendor Forms.

Sponsorship and vendor commitments are due by **Friday, April 27, 2012**. Please forward your complete Sponsorship and/or Vendor Form and provide a check payable to **NOVAL-DC**, to **VietFest Sponsorship, P.O. Box 34437, Washington, DC 20043**. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact me at 832-276-6767 or danielalbert@gmail.com, Lan Anh Nguyen, for sponsorship at 703-470-2789 or lananh.nguyen20@gmail.com, or Van Tran for vendor opportunities at 904-502-7369 or v.tran5486@gmail.com.

With warm regards,

Daniel Nhật Đan Albert
President, NOVAL-DC

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VENDOR FORM CHECKLIST

- ____ Participant Information
- ____ Booth Description
- ____ Vendor Contract
- ____ Fairfax County Health Permit (Food Vendors Only and Mailed to Health Dept.)

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Name of Contact:
 (Last) _____ (First) _____ (Title) _____
 (Street Address) _____ (Apt./Unit #) _____
 (City) _____ (State) _____ (Zip Code) _____
 (Contact Phone #) _____ (Company) _____ (E-mail) _____

BOOTH AND PRICING

<u>Booth Type*</u>	<u>Reg Price/Non-Profit</u>	<u>Quantity</u>	<u>Total</u>
Exhibition	\$300/\$150		
Games or Commercial	\$400/\$150		
Food**	\$500/\$400		
Additional Fees			
Electricity	\$100 (food)/ \$50 (other)		
Additional Tables	\$10		
Security Deposit (Refundable 1-3 Weeks Post-Event)	\$150		
TOTAL			

*Vendor will know their final location the week of the festival. All booths have a canvas roof and back dividers. Each booth is provided with one (1) light, one (1) table, and two (2) chairs.

** Each Food Vendor is responsible for applying for a Temporary Food Establishment Permit on its own and will not be allowed to participate in the festival without a food permit. **Applications must be applied by April 27, 2012.**

VENDOR DESCRIPTION

Please list all items you intend to display or sell. Items not listed or approved by the Vendors Committee may result in expulsion from the festival. No selling/distributing of any beverage is permitted unless prior arrangements were made with NOVAL-DC.

1 _____	2 _____
3 _____	4 _____
5 _____	6 _____
7 _____	8 _____
9 _____	10 _____

DEADLINE to submit application* is **April 27, 2012** with check payable to the order "NOVAL DC" and sent to the following address:

**NOVAL-DC Vendor Committee
P.O. Box 34437
Washington, D.C. 20043**

I, _____, have read and agree to the terms and conditions stated in the **Vendor Guidelines**.

Vendor's Signature

Date

Festival Representative's Signature

Date

* Applications are not complete until payment is received.

VENDOR GUIDELINES

I. Date, time, and location for the 2012 Vietnamese Heritage Festival held by NOVAL-DC:

- a. Date/Time: Saturday, June 23, 2012 from 10:00AM to 8:00PM
- b. Location: George Mason University, Lot J, 4400 University Drive, Fairfax, VA 22030

II. Refund:

- a. Full Refund—Cancellation in writing within ten (10) days of contract execution date or April 27, 2012, whichever comes first.
- b. No Refund—Cancellation after April 27, 2012.
- c. Deposits may be forfeited for damages or repeated violation of the guidelines.

III. Required Meeting:

- a. All Food Vendors are required to attend a Food Vendor's Meeting scheduled by NOVAL to learn about the Health Department's requirements.

IV. Booths:

- a. **Setup and Maintenance:** NOVAL will provide Vendor with a covered booth and one (1) table. Vendor's actual booth location will be assigned by the Vendor's Committee and such decision shall be final. Vendor will know their final location the week of the Festival.
 - i. Booth fixtures and materials cannot be packed or removed until the close of the Festival. Food Vendor will only be permitted to set-up their space between 6:00 am and 9:00 am on the date of Festival. Vendor automobiles must be removed from the festival grounds and parked in appropriate lot no later than 9:00 am or be subject to towing.
 - ii. Vendors may not remove any part of the booth without notifying the Vendors Committee.
 - iii. Vendors are prohibited from sharing or subletting any part of their booth space with any other business or sponsor.
 - iv. Amplified sound within exhibit space is prohibited in Vendor areas.
 - v. The following items are strictly PROHIBITED from being sold, displayed, distributed, or used by Vendor:
 - a) Illicit Drugs;
 - b) Cigarettes;
 - c) Firecrackers, Fireworks, or Similar Items;
 - d) Weapons and Firearms
 - e) Vulgar, Offensive, Sexually Explicit, or Obscene materials as judged by NOVAL, and such judgment shall be final.
- b. **Health Inspection:** Health Inspector will begin his inspection at 9 am sharp.
- c. **Powering Booth:** The booths are optionally with one (1) light and optionally one (1) electrical outlet within 25' distance. Vendors are prohibited from overusing local power. Food booths are allowed 2 sockets, with a maximum of 1 surge protector per socket. All other booths are allowed 1 socket. Vendors are prohibited from connecting one surge protector to another. Please notify the Vendor Committee if you require any special plug requests such as 220V or round plugs. The third offense will result in expulsion from the Festival.
- d. **Promotional Materials:** Vendor is prohibited from soliciting, selling, and promoting its products/services, including but not limited to, distributing fliers, greater than ten (10) feet around Vendor's booth. Vendors may not leave any of their promotional materials in areas such as food court, public tables, etc. If the Vendor Committee finds any promotional item in restricted areas, Vendor will be warned. The third offense will result in expulsion from the Festival.
- e. **Food Preparation:** Food Vendors are prohibited from preparing foods at home (i.e. marinating meats, chopping vegetables, etc). Everything must be made in a commercial restaurant or at the food stand.

V. Inspection and Approval

- a. Menu and merchandise selections must be approved in advance by NOVAL.
- b. NOVAL reserves the right to exclude certain Vendor products or services and retain the right to assure reasonable pricing for items of sale.
- c. Vendor may be requested to remove a product or service displayed at the Festival at the sole discretion of NOVAL if deemed unsuitable by NOVAL, and such decision shall be final. Vendor agrees that NOVAL shall not be liable for any damages or losses, pecuniary or otherwise, either foreseen or unforeseen, incurred by Vendor as a result of such action.
 - d. NOVAL reserves the right to remove any Vendor from the Festival if NOVAL determines that the Vendor has not conformed to the rules and regulations of this contract or has misrepresented its product/service. In such instances where contract violations result in removal of Vendor, all fees shall be forfeited.
 - e. NOVAL has full authority to stop Vendor from operating, without refund, should Vendor sell or promote products and/or services other than those stated in Vendor's application.

VI. Liability and Regulations:

- a. **Legal Compliance:** Vendor agrees to comply with all the regulations of the facility hosting the Festival and all federal, state, and municipal laws, including health and safety. Vendor agrees to be responsible for collection and reporting of sales tax as required by law. Vendor shall be responsible for obtaining all licenses, permits, health certificates or items required by governmental agencies in order that Vendor's booth/concession may be lawfully operated.
- b. **Liability:** Vendor agrees to be held responsible for Vendor's own actions and the actions of its staff within Festival grounds that may result in additional fines by the venue, city, county, or other levels of government; e.g., oil spills.
- c. Vendor will be responsible and liable for delivery, handling, assembly, and removal of all supplies, materials, trash and fixtures.
- d. **Indemnification:** Vendor agrees to indemnify and hold harmless NOVAL, its officers and directors, agents, partners, representatives, and employees from any and all claims, damages, losses and liabilities arising from Vendor's participation with the Festival.
- e. **Waiver:** NOVAL assumes no responsibility for damaged or lost articles/booths/exhibits.
- f. **Force Majeure:** NOVAL shall not be responsible for any loss to Vendor due to natural causes or force majeure including, but not limited to, rain, thunder and lightning, and wind.