

Culture Jam Registration 2018

FREQUENTLY ASKED QUESTIONS

Registration Periods

RETURNING YOUTH: April 1 - 15 :: NEW YOUTH (lottery): April 15 - May 1

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What are the camp dates this year?

August 5-12. Camp begins on a Sunday and ends on a Sunday.

How old do you have to be to attend Culture Jam?

14-18.

How much is camp tuition?

Standard tuition fee is \$450. Scholarship funding is available.

Scholarships

The Oregon Country Fair wants to make Culture Jam available to all youth regardless of economics. If you need help with tuition, please ask about the scholarship process when you register.

Saving your space

When you are placed, a minimum of \$100 toward your tuition is required to save your space.

When is the full tuition due?

June 30th.

What is the cancellation policy?

In the event of a cancellation, you will be refunded all but your \$100 deposit up to June 30th, then 50% to July 14th. After July 14th there will be no refunds.

Returning Youth: How do I register for Culture Jam if I have been to it before?

Contact Robin anytime between April 1 and April 15. Email is best (see contact info at the top of the page). She will officially add you to the roster. A minimum of \$100 toward your tuition is required to save your space unless you are applying for scholarship. If you are applying for scholarship, this is the time to ask about the process and get it started.

New Youth: How do I register if I have never been to Culture Jam?

Contact Robin anytime between April 15 and May 1. Email is best (see contact info at the top of the page). Make sure to leave us the name, full birthdate, cultural background and gender of the teen you are entering. No deposit is necessary at this

stage. By May 9, you will be notified via email if you have been placed. At that time, a minimum of \$100 toward your tuition will be required to save your space unless you are applying for scholarship support.

Why don't returning youth have to enter a lottery?

We have found that being able to return to Culture Jam can sometimes be a lifeline. One of the goals of Culture Jam is to create a community that is dependable.

If all youth that want to return are allowed to come back, will there be any spaces available for new youth?

We have seen a consistent 45-50% return rate at Culture Jam for the past 11 years and we expect this trend to continue. This means that 50-55% of youth that attend camp in 2018 will be new.

If I enter the lottery, when will I be notified about the results?

Those who are picked from the lottery will receive an email from the Fair office no later than May 9 as notification and to discuss further details. Notices will also be sent to those who do not get picked this year.

What happens if I do not get picked from the lottery this year?

If your name is not picked from the lottery, it will be placed in the wait list lottery. The wait list lottery is accessed if someone drops from the roster.

What if I entered the lottery last year and enter again this year? Will I be given any preference?

Yes, but within lottery limits. Those who enter the lottery in 2018 who have also entered in previous years are given preference according to how many years entered. That said, it is still a lottery process among youth in the same category. We don't want to raise hopes, but we do want you to know that we are doing what we can to give those who have been trying to get in the best chance possible within the confines of the lottery process.

Exceptions

The success of Culture Jam's model depends in large part on a balance of the age, gender, and ethnic, cultural, economic and geographic diversity of its participants. Culture Jam reserves the right to place youth who meet these criteria in order to create the balance we are seeking. Registrations will also be placed at CJ's discretion for the OCF Bill Wooten Endowment and City of Eugene Recreation Services.