



Pony Express Pumpkinfest 2026

Our 30th Year!!!

October 2, 3, & 4

Call for Crafters & Vendors!

- Crafts
- Commercial
- Food
- Not-for-Profit/Non-vendor

Vendors must be set up by 2 pm on Friday, October 2nd

Pumpkinfest 2026 is finally here, our 30th year!

We are so thankful to the many sponsors for their support of Pumpkinfest in 2025. Pumpkinfest would not be possible without our wonderful volunteers, generous sponsors, and awesome vendors! Please join us and help make our 30th year of Pumpkinfest the best year yet!

Jana Hughes- Pumpkinfest Chair
Cindy Daffron - Executive Director

Festival hours run Friday 5-9 pm; Saturday 10 am – 9 pm; and Sunday noon to 5 pm. **Pumpkinfest** is held in Patee Park and on the grounds of the Pony Express Museum between 9th and 10th Streets, just south of historical downtown St. Joseph, MO.

The exact location of your booth will not be known until Friday, October 2nd when you arrive on grounds. Due to printing and advertising, we will not be able to change your booth assignment. We request booths maintain intact throughout the weekend until Pumpkinfest ends. Due to the possibility of inclement weather, please ensure you secure your booth and merchandise.

Jurying

Vendors will be juried by the Pumpkinfest Committee for uniqueness, variety, and appropriateness. We insist on quality and professionalism, and consider you a partner in our continued success.

Requirements

Each applicant is required to submit color photos of their booth or craft with the attached application (**photos will not be returned**). You are responsible for calculating, collecting, and reporting your own sales tax. **We provide the on-grounds security, but will not assume liability for your items.**

Space and Lighting

Exhibit space is limited to 10'x10'. You must request additional space on the application. We provide electricity for lighting. **Ensure you bring your own 50' or 100' extension cords.**

Pony Express Pumpkinfest was created thirty years ago as a free, family, arts festival celebrating the magic of the fall harvest. The outdoor festival focuses on children, attracting 25,000 people to the community.

Past partners include Leah Spratt Trust, City of St. Joseph, the Convention and Visitors Bureau and many businesses both local and regional.



FEES

- Crafts - \$65
 - Commercial - \$75
 - Food - \$85 + 10% sales
 - Not-for-Profit/Non-vendor - 10% sales
 - Extension Cord Rental - \$25
- ***First Time Vendors: do not send funds until you receive your acceptance letter***

Return to:
 Pony Express Pumpkinfest
 914 Penn Street
 St. Joseph, MO 64503

Questions
 816.279.5059 or 800.530.5930
 or
 Email: pxdirector@ponyexpress.net

Cancellation Policy

Initial: All vendor fees are **non-refundable**

Insurance

Please submit proof of insurance. Contact us if not available

Subject to cancellation as mandated by local regulation