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Greetings,

As you may already know, Paradise Garden is a nationally significant historic site in Chattooga County. Since the creation of the Paradise Garden Foundation, we have been raising funds to successfully revive the site and continue Howard Finster's work of inspiring thousands of visitors each year. Our annual fundraising event, Finster Fest, is one of the Southeast's most popular folk art and music festivals, and it is located in Summerville, Georgia.

Finster Fest 2014 is on May 31st and June 1st and will feature art and live music in Dowdy Park. On that Saturday and Sunday, Finster Fest will host over 50 juried artists, not to mention visitors from around the world. We are excited to be bringing to the area a wide spectrum of art, live entertainment, and fabulous food, all in a family-friendly atmosphere. What began in 1992 as "Howard Finster Day" in Summerville has grown into one of the region's most popular events. Throughout the years, Finster Fest has continued to draw significant artists from all over the country. Howard Finster was a man with many "visions," and his art and message had international appeal, drawing thousands from around the world to his Paradise Garden. The Paradise Garden Foundation hopes to continue in Howard's faith-filled messages with art, and part of those efforts include presenting a community event like no other. On Saturday night, May 31st, the Man Of Vision After Show will take place from 6:00 P.M. to 11:00 PM in historic Downtown Summerville. The show will feature nationally known musical acts on a professionally assembled stage.

We want you to consider being a part of this historic event. Please take time to fill out the application provided and we hope to have you be a part of the Finster Fest celebration!

Please join us by supporting this unique festival. With your assistance, together we will be able to maintain and revive what is probably the most famous folk art site in the United States. If this is your first year applying to be a part of Finster Fest, we look forward to reviewing your work and having you be a part of the Paradise Garden Foundation family as we work to make a dramatic impact on our community. Enclosed you will find the applications for both artist and food vendors for 2014. Thank you for your time, and we hope to see you at Finster Fest.

Sincerely,

C. Sutton Connelly
Board President
Paradise Garden Foundation

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Executive Director,
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FINSTER FEST

May 31st and June 1st

2014

Name _____

Artist Alias _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____

Zip _____

Phone number (home) _____

(Cell) _____

Email _____

Website _____

Description of Food Service _____

Have you participated in Finster Fest in the past? _____

I/We _____ have read and understand all of the rules and information.

I/We understand that this form is my/our contract with Finster Fest and agree to abide by these rules and any rules promulgated by Paradise Garden, Finster Fest and show director. I free the Paradise Garden Foundation, Finster Fest and administration from any responsibility, personal liability, loss or damage in connection with Finster Fest nor will I/We be a party to any suit hereafter. I/We understand the committee may contact me/us for proof of materials list and invoices as proof of authenticity.

Signed _____ Date _____

Food Vendor APPLICATION

Festival Hours will be, Saturday 11-5 and Sunday 1-5p.m.

All applicants must send with their applications a \$10.00 application processing fee and \$75.00 check for booth space. We do have limited space so please send in your info ASAP. Please make all checks to Paradise Garden Foundation and mail them to Paradise Garden Foundation, P O Box 113, Summerville GA 30747.

Set up will begin **Friday May 30th from 1:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.** And **Saturday May 31st from 8:00a.m. – 10:00 a.m.** Although artists will be able to unload at booth areas, please park cars and trailer as soon as you are finished unloading and then return for booth set up. All artists must be set up and ready to go by **Festival Hours which will be, Saturday 11-5 and Sunday 1-5.** Please park at surrounding marked areas along park and street during festival hours. No cars are to park in grassy area during festival. Please do not break down or load up until festival hours are over. **The festival** goes on rain or shine as it has in the past for we cannot control the weather and there will be no refunds. **Booth setup** must be furnished by the artist, although we hope to have volunteers to help with unloading Friday and Saturday.

Alcohol and Drugs: They will not be tolerated. **Security:** Security will be on duty Friday and Saturday nights; however, each craftsman exhibits all work at his own risk. The Festival is not responsible for damage, theft, or loss of an individual's work. **Parking:** All motor homes, travel trailers, and vehicles larger than a standard van will be prohibited. Local campgrounds can accommodate weekend vendors. Vendors will be allowed to park standard vehicles and small trailers at marked parking areas around the park and streets.

All booths are 10 x 10, if you need more space please feel free to rent two spaces.

All persons at the festival must behave in a manner that is in accordance with the mission of the PGF,inc. or they can be **asked to leave the premises.**

Acceptance to Finster Fest 2014 is contingent upon adhering to these guidelines

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ARTIST APPLICATION

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Set up will begin **Friday May 30th from 1:00p.m. – 7:00p.m.** And **Saturday May 31st from 8:00a.m. – 9:00 a.m.** Although artists will be able to unload at booth areas, please park cars and trailer as soon as you are finished unloading and then return for booth set up. All artists must be set up and ready to go by **Festival Hours which will be, Saturday 12-5 and Sunday 1-5.** Please park at surrounding marked areas along park and street during festival hours. No cars are to park in grassy area during festival. Please do not break down or load up until festival hours are over. **The festival** goes on rain or shine as it has in the past for we cannot control the weather and there will be no refunds. **Booth setup** must be furnished by the artist, although we hope to have volunteers to help with unloading Friday and Saturday.

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