

# BENEFITS OF PARTICIPATION

# **BENEFITS YOU CAN COUNT ON:**

- A Quality Production, created by consumer show professionals in business since 1960.
- **Pre-Qualified Audience.** They purchase a ticket for this event. We bring you serious shoppers and decision-makers.
- Marketing, Advertising, and Promotions that are current, extensive, and deliver the right message to the ideal target audience.
- Research. Custom surveys show the average age of women attending this event is 35.7, with a range from 25 to 64. Some 58% of show guests have college degrees. They are educated shoppers, eager to compare, evaluate and buy.
- Exhibitor Service. Show teams are trained to guide beginning exhibitors, and assist veterans with the goal to make you look good, sell well, and get the most benefits from your participation.

## **BENEFITS YOU CAN GENERATE:**

- Face-to-Face Advantage with qualified customers and prospects.
- Database Building. Build a database to expand your email and social media connections.
- Across-the-Counter Sales. Retail your products and market your business at the same time.
- Customer Relations. Build confidence and spark word-of-mouth marketing.
- **Test Marketing.** Sample products and get honest, real-time feedback.
- Recruiting, Educating. Nothing beats being there. Face-to-face is still the best teacher and best sales tool.



# **BENEFITS THAT SPEAK FOR THEMSELVES:**



"The Southern Women's Show was an amazing opportunity for our small business! We had a fabulous time meeting new people and learning about their life stories through assisting them with their Origami Owl locket creations! We are looking forward to coming back in 2019!"

Tina Siemsen, Origami Owl



"Our sales were superb and we are enjoying a return customer base at this show that has been unmatched."

Rachel & Gabriel Spagur, Virginia Soaps & Scents



"Wonderful environment for making sales on the spot, and endless opportunities to grow life long customer relationships! Can't wait for the next show!"

Amanda Tavormina, LuLaRoe



## GENERAL INFORMATION

#### SHOW LOCATION:

Richmond Raceway Complex 600 E. Laburnum Avenue Richmond, Virginia 23222 804.228.7500

#### SHOW DAYS & HOURS:

Friday, March 22: 10am to 8pm Saturday, March 23: 10am to 7pm Sunday, March 24: 11am to 5pm

#### PUBLIC SHOW ADMISSION:

Adults \$12 at the Door Youth (6-12) \$6 Under 6 FREE with Paying Adult

#### **EXHIBIT SPACE RATES:**

\$10 per square foot 8' x 10' or 9'x 10'= \$1.000 8' x 20' or 9' x 20' = \$2,000

- Exhibits 240 continuous sq. ft. or larger = 5% discount
- Corner space \$100 extra not to exceed \$200
- Floor covering is required for all exhibits (not provided).
- All unfinished tables are to be draped to the floor.

#### SPACE RENTAL INCLUDES:

- 8' high draped backdrop
- 3' high draped booth dividers
- Standard sign (7" x 44")
- General exhibit hall security
- Direct mail brochures (while supplies last)
- Listing in official show program and on official show website
- Badges for staff
- Discounted admission tickets

#### **EXHIBIT SPACE ASSIGNMENT:**

Returning exhibitors receive priority on exhibit space. Available space is then assigned according to availability in specific categories. A deposit does not ensure space. The 50% deposit required with application is returned if space is not assigned.

#### STANDARD EXHIBIT SPACES:

Standard exhibit spaces are 8'x10' and 9' x 10' unless otherwise noted. Exhibits may not exceed 8' height in the back: dividers may extend onehalf exhibit depth (back to front) at 8'. Balance of side dividers (front portion of space) may not exceed 4' height.

#### ISLAND EXHIBIT SPACES:

Islands are minimum 18' x 20', with aisles on all four sides. They have an automatic separation from neighboring exhibits. Full use of exhibit floor space floor to ceiling is permitted. Exterior walls of display should showcase your company and not obstruct view of other exhibits.

#### PENINSULA EXHIBIT SPACES:

Peninsula exhibits (four or more adjoining spaces with aisles on three sides) may be 8' high in the center 10' of back drape. Remaining back drape (5' each side) must not exceed 4' height. All display fixtures over 4' in height and placed within 10 lineal feet of a neighboring exhibit must be configured to avoid blocking the sightline to the adjoining exhibit. Any portion of the exhibit bordering another exhibit space must be finished out and may not carry signs that would intrude into or detract from the adjoining exhibit. Exhibit Limitation Exceptions: If adjoining exhibitors wish to extend the 8' height limitation to the front of the exhibit, this may be done only with Show Management's prior approval.

#### SETTING UP:

Exhibitors must provide their own moving/rolling equipment. Fork lifts and front-end loaders (with driver) are available for a fee. The facility does not provide carts or dollies.

#### **INSURANCE:**

Exhibiting companies and individuals are required to provide an insurance certificate covering liability for exhibit contents, personnel and show guests within the exhibit space. The certificate should list Southern Shows Inc. as well as the facility as the additional insured.

### **TAXES-LICENSES:**

Sales tax must be collected. Each exhibitor selling at the show must have a business tax license for the specific location and city. Each exhibitor is responsible for reporting and paying taxes on sales made at the show.

#### FOOD SAMPLING:

Each exhibitor sampling any food product must follow Health Department guidelines, submit payment and application to the Health Department pre-show, and abide by sample size restrictions enforced by the facility.

#### **EXHIBITOR ID BADGES & SHOW SPECIAL ADMISSION TICKETS:**

- 80-90 sq ft 8 badges and 5 complimentary tickets
- 160-180 sq ft 8 badges and 10 complimentary tickets
- 240-270 or more sq ft -16 badges for first 180 sq ft and 2 badges for each additional 80-90 sq ft, plus 5 complimentary tickets for every 80-90 sq ft

Exceptions to above would be special feature or non-profit participants.

#### **EXHIBITOR DOCUMENTS** ONLINE:

The following documents are available online at www.southernshows.com

- Exhibitor Kit
- Decorator forms/ Southern Exhibition Services
- Forms for electrical, telephone. internet and other utilities
- Information for creating your exhibitor website
- Hotel Information
- Show floor plan

#### **GUEST TICKETS:**

Guest tickets (not for resale) are available on consignment for \$6 each. Unused tickets may be returned for credit prior to show's conclusion.

### **MOVE-IN SCHEDULE:**

Wednesday, March 20: 2pm to 6pm Thursday, March 21: 9am to 7pm Exhibits must be fully set up by Thursday, March 21 at 7pm.

#### MOVE-OUT SCHEDULE:

Sunday, March 24: 5pm to 10pm All products must be removed from the building by 10pm on March, 24.

#### **PARKING**

**FREE** 

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### FOR MORE INFORMATION:

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## APPLICATION & CONTRACT FOR EXHIBIT SPACE

Company Name:						
Your Name:						
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Rates: \$10.00 per square foot			☐ Enclosed is	☐ Enclosed is my check for 50% of above cost. (100% due after Jan. 22, 2019)		
3' x 10' or 9' x 10' = \$1,000		☐ Please bill my credit card for 100% of above cost.				
8' x 20' or 9' x 20' = \$2,000			□Visa □ MasterCard □ American Express A \$5 processing fee is added to credit card payments.			
Exhibits 300 sq. ft. or larger = 5% discount Corner spaces \$100 extra; not to exceed \$200			Name as it appears on card, including Company/Business name.			
Will you be demonstrating in your exhibit? Yes ☐ No ☐			Card Number	Card Number		
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## **TERMS & GENERAL INFORMATION**

#### **PREVIOUS EXHIBITORS**

This application must be accompanies by a check of 50% of total space cost. Space assignments will not be Made until appropriate payment is received. If space is not assigned, payment received will be returned in full.

#### **NEW EXHIBITORS**

A deposit amount equal to at least 50% of total space requested must accompany this space application, along with pictures or printed material showing products/services planned for the exhibit, for space assignment to occur. Applications will be processed in the order they are received. Checks will not be deposited until space is confirmed.

#### APPLICATIONS RECEIVED AFTER JANUARY 22, 2019

Application must be accompanied by payment of full exhibit space cost. Full deposit will be returned if space is not assigned.

#### **FINAL PAYMENT**

JANUARY 22, 2019

#### INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

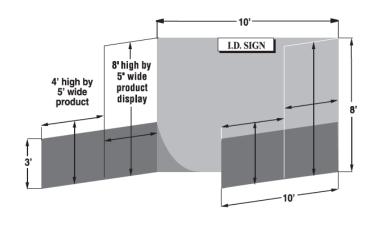
Participating companies are required to provide an insurance certificate covering liability for exhibit contents, personnel and show guests within the exhibit space. The certificate should list Southern Shows Inc. as the additional insured.

#### SPACE ASSIGNMENTS

Whenever possible, space assignments will be made by Show Management in keeping with the desires of the exhibitor. However final determination of space assignments is reserved by Show Management and assignments may be made or changed anytime in the best interest of the show as determined by Show Management.

#### **CANCELLATION POLICY**

All cancellation must be in writing. Cancellations received six months prior to the show date will be refunded full deposit received, less a \$100 cancellation fee. Cancellations received between three and six months prior to the show date will be refunded any sum paid over the required 50% deposit. Cancellations received during the three months immediately prior to the show will receive no refund. Exceptions are cancellations that occur within 48 hours of space request and confirmation. Space reserved and cancelled within a 48-hour period will receive full refund of monies received. Failure to setup by specified move-in deadline will result in forfeiture of exhibit space and all monies paid to date.



#### **BASIC EXHIBIT REQUIREMENTS:**

- Floor covering (i.e. carpet) is required for all exposed areas of the exhibit space.
- Fixtures and dividers must be finished on all exposed sides.
- Banners must be approved by Show Management.
- Exhibit and exhibit materials must fit within guidelines.
- Exhibitors are responsible for their own decor (including carpet, tables, chairs, etc.) and any necessary electrical and/ or telephone services.
- Tents are not permitted.

(See Exhibitor Kit for complete rules and regulations)

#### **EXHIBIT SPACE RENTAL INCLUDES:**

- 8' high draped background
- 3' high draped divider
- One standard company sign
- General hall guard service
- Exhibitor ID badges
- Exhibitor admission tickets

For more information contact:

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