

Stalls available at the CERES 2012 Autumn Harvest Festival



Celebrating and giving thanks to the good earth, our farmers and the cycle of the seasons

The next annual Autumn Harvest Festival will take place on **Saturday 31 March 2012** at CERES Community Environment Park. Across our ten acre site there will be a range of activities and events that celebrate our community, our environment and our sustainable food systems.

CERES will also host a Harvest Festival Market, proving local people and businesses with an affordable, ethical and friendly way of promoting their produce and products within the village atmosphere of CERES.

Would you like to take part?

We are looking for stall holders who are:

- Businesses who support or work within sustainable food systems in Australia
- Groups or businesses who work more broadly within the values of community, environment and sustainability
- Local artisans who produce handmade goods
- Second-hand sellers
- Other not-for-profit community organisations.

**We ask that fresh fruit and vegetables are not sold on individual stalls and are instead sold through our existing organic market and Meet-the-Farmer circle. If you are interested in taking part in the Meet-the-Farmer circle, please contact Market Manager Kate Anderson on 9389 0123 or market@ceres.org.au.*

Benefits

A stall at the CERES 2012 Autumn Harvest Festival provides an excellent opportunity to reach the CERES community. We're anticipating our biggest turn-out ever this year, with the whole site being used for this event. We will be promoting and advertising the festival in the media, online and directly to CERES members and supporters. The entire CERES site will be open to the public with free entry and some of the features of the day we will be promoting include:

- Free live music
- Multicultural food stalls and tastings
- Large farmers' market and meet-the-farmer events
- Green technology demonstrations
- Artists market
- Free talks and demonstrations on food production and cooking, preserving, plant propagation and a range of other environmental topics.
- Kids' activities
- Harvest banquet with special guest Matthew Evans, the host of *Gourmet Farmer* on SBS.



Application and payment details

In an effort to make this opportunity accessible for small producers and community groups, our stall fees are \$88 for CERES members and \$110 for non members.

Each stall size is approximately 2.5m x 2.5m. If you require more space, you may purchase up to four stall spaces. Stall spaces will be allocated, grouped together and placed in an appropriate area after Friday 17th February.

We need you to first apply for a stall, which will require you sending us information online about what you have in mind. Once approved we'll send you a link to pay for your stall online. Full payment is then required in order to secure your space. The deadline for stall payment is Friday 17 February, after which time spaces on the site will be allocated and stallholders will be notified of the exact location of their stall.

Limited spaces are available so we encourage you to apply early as allocation will operate on a 'first come first served' basis.

Apply for a stall online at eepurl.com/iAkQU

For more information please contact Sieta Whitehead on 9389 0188 or at sieta@ceres.org.au.

(Organic primary produce producers interested in the Meet-the-Farmer circle can contact Kate Anderson on 9389 0123 or market@ceres.org.au.)

Set up details

Set-up and Registration from 6:30am to 8:30am on Saturday 31st March 2012.

You can enter CERES from the Lee Street. entrance, where you will be directed to your stall. After drop off, vehicles must be removed from the site and parked in allocated parking spaces.

You will need to provide everything you need to operate your stall for the day including your own tables, umbrellas, chairs, sun and rain protection etc.

Pack-up is to be completed before dark.

Stallholders Responsibility & Rights (2012)

- *It is the responsibility of the stallholder to ensure they conform to any Australian standards pertaining to their product.
- *Copying the ideas and work of other stallholders may be in breach of creative copyright and is not in the spirit of the festival. Any grievances must be in writing.
- * Stallholders are responsible for leaving their site and surrounding area clean and tidy. Boxes and rubbish must be removed from stall area.
- * Stallholders must confine and secure their display and signs to the stall site and keep pathways clear for patrons.
- * Stallholders' own umbrellas, gazebos, tables and covers must be secure at all times.
- * Packaging of stallholders products must be environmentally friendly - no new plastic bags please.
- * In the interest of health and safety no dogs are permitted to enter the food market selling area. Dogs on site are to be on leads at all times.
- * No gas or electrical appliances to be used.
- * No smoking is permitted within the Food, Farm, Craft and Market areas. Smoking is permitted in Energy Park area, past the nursery. Please dispose of butts thoughtfully.

CERES Responsibility & Rights (2012)

- * CERES accepts no responsibility for adverse weather and no refunds will be given for this reason.
- * CERES accepts no responsibility for damages to persons or goods as a result of stalls or their products. The stallholder is responsible for injury to any 3rd party as a result of their stall, themselves or their products. CERES encourages stallholders to take out their own insurance. CERES public liability does not cover Autumn Harvest Festival stallholders.
- * CERES has the right to withdraw the right to trade of any stallholder if they are in dispute with CERES or any persons. CERES has a Conflict Resolution procedure available for stallholders to undertake if they are unhappy with decisions made.
- * CERES has the right to reject any stallholder whom they believe does not comply with the stated regulations.

