

# Friends of Riding Mountain National Park Busker Program

## HOW TO APPLY

1. **Complete an application**
  - a. available at the Friends of RMNP Learning Centre (154 Columbine, Wasagaming)
  - b. online at [www.friendsofridingmountain.ca](http://www.friendsofridingmountain.ca)
2. **Set up an audition time by**
  - a. Calling Friends of RMNP (204.848.4037)
  - b. Emailing [friends.rmnp@pc.gc.ca](mailto:friends.rmnp@pc.gc.ca)
3. **Show up for audition** with application fee (\$10.00 - Cash, Debit, Visa, MasterCard accepted).  
No cheques.

## REGISTRATION & LICENSING

- 1) All existing and new buskers must successfully complete an audition held at the Friends of RMNP Learning Centre
  - First round of auditions is on the Busker Audition Weekend (**June 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup>**).
    - The application **deadline for this round is Friday, June 3<sup>rd</sup>, 2016 by 4pm.**
  - Others auditions are made by appointment
- 2) Applications submitted by performers under the age of 18 must have the signature of a parent or guardian.
- 3) All performances must be of a content and quality suitable for family viewing. **Acts deemed vulgar, in poor taste or offensive are strictly prohibited.**
- 4) **NO AMPLIFIED PERFORMANCES ALLOWED.**
- 5) **A safety plan must be submitted with each application that poses a potential risk to the performer, public or Riding Mountain National Park.**
- 6) Approval for the selling of works of art such as CDs or DVDs must be requested on the audition application. Merchandise can ONLY be sold through the Friends Nature Shop or Learning Centre. **Selling of merchandise at Busk Stop locations is prohibited.**
- 7) Successful audition candidates will be issued a Friends of RMNP Busk Pass license that will allow performances at all Busking Stations. **Absolutely NO performances** will take place within Riding Mountain National Park and the community of Wasagaming that are not at designated Friends of RMNP Busk Stop areas.
- 8) Performance season runs from date of audition and acceptance until JUNE 1<sup>st</sup>, 2017
- 9) Friends of RMNP Busk passes must be displayed clearly during all performances (each performer in a group will be issued their own Busk pass).
- 10) **Performances are not allowed without a valid Friends of RMNP Busk Pass. Passes are NON-TRANSFERRABLE.**

## **PERFORMANCES**

- 1) Acts must be of similar quality and content as that of the audition.
- 2) All musical acts must maintain a repertoire equivalent to two (2) - 30 minute sets (60 minutes of different material).
- 3) Performances are permitted at designated Friends of RMNP Busk Stops only.
- 4) Management retains the right to relocate/remove or close Busk Stops at their discretion. Scheduled events and programs have priority over busker performances.
- 5) Performers must not exceed six performances per calendar day.
- 6) Each set must not exceed 60 minutes including setup and take down time.
- 7) Performances are to begin on the hour (this includes set up and take down).
- 8) Performers may perform a maximum of 2 performances per day per busk stop location (unless advance permission is granted).
- 9) Consecutive performances are NOT allowed at any Busk Stop (unless advance permission is granted).
- 10) Performances can take place daily from 11:00 a.m. to 10:00 p.m. at any of the six (6) identified Busk Stop locations.
- 11) Performance appreciation is at the discretion of the audience (no solicitation, signage or interception).
- 12) Buskers are ambassadors of Friends of RMNP and Riding Mountain National Park, appropriate attire and professional conduct is expected at all times.
- 13) Having a Friends of RMNP Busk pass is a privilege. A busk pass may be revoked at any time at the discretion of Friends of RMNP or Riding Mountain National Park management.
- 14) Smoking is not permitted at any Friends of RMNP Busk Stop.

## **FRIENDS of RMNP BUSK STOP FEES (2016 / 2017)**

\$10.00 Audition Fee – payable before auditioning

\$20.00 48 hr License Fee

\$30.00 Weekly License Fee

\$50.00 Monthly License Fee

\$100.00 Annual License Fee

**\*GST included in License Fee**

**Those that audition on the June 4 & 5, 2016 Busker Weekend  
will receive a 10% discount on their Busker Pass (at time of purchase).**

## **LIABILITY AND INSURANCE**

Friends of Riding Mountain National Park (FRMNP), Riding Mountain National Park (RMNP) and the Park's Canada Agency (PCA) shall not be responsible for any damage to or loss of any equipment or property of the Performer(s). The Performer(s) agrees to assume all risks, and to release, indemnify, and save harmless FRMNP, RMNP and PCA, its affiliated organizations, and its employees and representatives, from any injury, loss or damage that may arise from the User operations outlined above, to the Usee or Others of the Public, who may otherwise be covered by insurance.