



DWIGHT MURRAY PLAZA & VETERANS PARK BUSKING PROGRAM POLICIES & GUIDELINES

The City of Napa Street Performers and Street Artists Program (Busking Program) offers a unique entertainment experience, bringing life to Dwight Murray Plaza and Veterans Park with live music, street performers and acts.

The City of Napa's Busking Program is designed to encourage and promote opportunities for emerging artists and engage the community. The Busking program based on the following policies and guidelines.

Goals for the Busking Program:

The goals for the Dwight Murray Plaza and Veterans Park Busking Program outline below:

- To strengthen and expand the identity and presence of arts, culture, and entertainment offerings.
- To draw downtown residents and visitors to Dwight Murray Plaza, Veterans Park and downtown Napa.
- To enhance the character of Napa through the visibility of community-valued arts and cultural experience.
- To promote public participation and interaction with artists and musicians through the Program.
- To stimulate the downtown economy through increased pedestrian activity and create an art destination in Napa.

Policies for the Busking Program:

The Parks & Recreation Department will administer this program based on the following policies:

1. Permit

- (A) A permit is required to participate in the Busking Program.

- (B) There are no permit fees.
- (C) Application for each Busking Program season (May 1st to October 1st) should be submitted by **April 1st**.
- (D) Staff will review the applications, requested dates, the overall schedule and provide approved permits by the end of April. If there is remaining availability, applications can be submitted after May 1st on a first-come, first-serve basis and will be reviewed and processed within two weeks.
- (E) A permit shall be issued by the City of Napa to each applicant upon completion and review of an application.
- (F) A completed application for a permit, and the permit itself, shall contain the applicant's name, residence address and telephone number, and shall be signed by the applicant.
- (G) The permit shall only be valid for the dates and times stated on the permit. Staff may limit the number of dates for each permit based on the number of applications.
- (H) If the applicant is under the age of 18, the permit application shall be signed by the parent or guardian of the minor who will assume full responsibility for the minor's performance and agree to not hold the City responsible for any liability arising from minor's performance.
- (I) Groups will be limited to no more than three individuals and the names for each group member will need to be stated on the application and permit.
- (J) A performer shall allow inspection of the permit and photo ID by any Napa police officer or staff person of Parks and Recreation Department on request.
- (K) City staff can make changes to the permit at any times. City staff can also cancel the permit based on other planned activities at the park or if the performer failed to comply with any of the program or park policies.

2. Site Location:

- (A) Busking Program is only approved for Dwight Murray Plaza and Veterans Park during the specified date and time on your approved permit.
- (B) There will be a designated area at Dwight Murray Plaza and Veterans Park that is approved for the designated Busking activity (see Section 6 Approved Busking Locations).
- (C) Activity site must be maintained free of trash and debris.

- (D) Personal belongings or activities must not obstruct pedestrian traffic, entry and exit ways, or any public right of way.
- (E) Street artists and performers shall maintain a minimum distance of 10 feet from the entrance or exit to any building, fire exit, bicycle rack, trash receptacle, or pedestrian crosswalk.
- (F) The available days and hours of Busking Program are the following. The permit will designate the specific date and time approved.

Dwight Murray Plaza:	Veterans Park:
Friday 6:00pm – 9:00pm	Saturday 2:00pm – 5:00pm
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3. Conduct:

Street artists and performers must conduct themselves in a safe, professional and respectful manner and abide by the Busking Program requirements. The City holds the right to halt or suspend activities that disrupt normal business operations or jeopardize the safety of others. Performances must not be delivered in a manner that is dangerous to you or to members of the public.

4. Permitted Activities

- (A) Street artists and performers may have one sign no larger than 10 inches by 14 inches
- (B) Activities include but not limited to: Music, singing, playing a musical instrument, pantomime, juggling, magic, dancing, reading, puppetry, reciting.
- (C) Performers may have some form of container (box, hat, musical instrument case) into which they accept donations from the general public in return for their performance.

5. Not Permitted Activities

- (A) Use amplified music in Dwight Murray Plaza (Amplified music will be allowed Veterans Park with one small battery-operated speaker)
- (B) Use any type of weapon
- (C) Acts may not include any animals
- (D) Create a fire hazard or use fire

(E) Display or offer merchandise, food or drinks for sale

(F) Use of sidewalk chalk or glass

(G) Display or include any manner of lewdness in activities or performances

(H) Use of any park fixtures, public benches/furniture, lamp posts, planters, trees and railings as part of their performance

6. Approved Busking Locations:

Dwight Murray Plaza



Veterans Park Plaza

