Decatur Buskers Program

We invite you to participate in bringing music, magic, dancing and fun to the streets of Decatur. Decatur's busker program encourages street performers and emerging artists to showcase their talents and contribute to a lively street culture in our community.



Decatur Arts Alliance 113 Clairemont Ave. Decatur GA 30030

decaturartsalliance.org

Just a few requirements

- A permit is required to participate. Good news: it's free! Fill out the application provided here and deliver it in person to Decatur Arts Alliance headquarters at 113 Clairemont Ave. (The Arts Alliance shares space with the Decatur Visitors Center, and is closed on Sundays and Mondays.) We will take your photo, so look sharp (unless that's not your thing). We'll take a new photo every year.
 - Permits are valid for one month, renewable on the first of each month
 - Permits issued after the first are valid for the remainder of that month
 - Permits are not transferable
- Performers can collect tips, but cannot directly solicit for tips. Put out a jar or open your case and add a small sign if you like, but don't ask people for payment.
- If there's another performer nearby, make your separation at least 20 feet.

Guidelines

- Keep your site free of trash and debris while performing.
- Don't obstruct pedestrian traffic.
- Choose a site at least 10 feet away from building entrances/exits, crosswalks, trash receptacles and bike racks.
- Let folks know who you are, but keep your signs smallish, no larger than 10 x 14 inches, please.
- Keep it down. Please don't use amplifiers of any sort.

Conduct – always professional

Performers should conduct themselves safely, professionally, and respectfully. There are a few things we will not allow.

- No weapons.
- No fire or fire hazards.
- No sale of food or drink.
- No tattooing or body piercing services can be provided.
- No graffiti.
- Nothing lewd. Keep it clean. There are little kids walking around.

The city can suspend activities that disrupt normal business operations or that are unsafe.

Note: If the management of a shop or a restaurant where you've set up asks you to go elsewhere, please respect their wishes.

When and where

Street performers are permitted between 10 am and 10 pm in three areas around Decatur. If you don't know the city, we've attached a map.

- On the square
- On West Ponce de Leon Avenue
- At Harmony Park in Oakhurst

Busking is not permitted at ticketed/fenced events (even if you've paid for a ticket). Avoid private events.



Busker Permit Application

PERMIT CONDITIONS

The ID badge we provide is your permit. Keep it displayed on your person while performing.

2 ID badge/permit must be updated monthly.

3 Performer must abide by the city's noise ordinance.

> Complete this application and deliver it in person, 10 am-4 pm, Tuesday through Saturday, to



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NAME:
ADDRESS:
CITY, STATE, ZIP:
TELEPHONE NUMBER:
EMAIL ADDRESS:
DESCRIPTION OF ACTIVITY
NAME OF ACT
HAVE YOU PREVIOUSLY HELD A BUSKING PERMIT FOR CITY OF DECATUR?
IF YES, HAS YOUR ACT CHANGED SUBSTANTIALLY SINCE THEN?
IF YES, HOW?

Hold Harmless Agreement

I, the undersigned applicant, agree to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Decatur, its officers, employees, elected officials, and agents, from and against any and all damages, claims, causes of action, suits, demands, losses, liabilities, and expenses (including, without limitation, reasonable legal fees and disbursements) caused by, in connection with, arising out of, or resulting from the use of the permitted location, or any and all of acts of the applicant, his or her partners, employees, officers, and/or agents, done in connection with or in furtherance of this application and/or permit.

AGREE

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE _

