



**RAILYARD
STEWARDS**

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GARDEN IN THE PARK

Railyard Park Community Garden Application

Important: Please read the following **membership agreement** before you apply for a plot in the Railyard Park! For more information, contact Gaëlle de Tassigny at thegardens@railyardpark.org or the Railyard Stewards at info@railyardpark.org, or 505-316-3596. Check out our website at www.railyardpark.org.

Name of Applicant(s): _____

Age(s) of applicant(s): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email(s): _____

Main interests in joining the garden _____

I have read and understood the Railyard Park Community Gardens "Garden Use Agreement" document ((pages 2-3) and agree to all of the terms set forth therein. I certify that the information above is true and correct to the best of my knowledge, and that providing false information will result in the withdrawal of my application.

I understand that a membership fee of \$15 is due within 2 weeks of notification that I have been awarded a plot. Checks should be made to the Railyard Stewards, 805 Early Street 204 B, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

Signature(s) _____

Date: _____

PLEASE SEND THIS APPLICATION TO THE RAILYARD STEWARDS:

Email to thegardens@railyardpark.org OR

Mail to Railyard Stewards, 805 Early Street 204 B, Santa Fe, NM 87505.

Applications are accepted on a first come, first serve basis.

RAILYARD PARK COMMUNITY GARDEN MEMBERSHIP AGREEMENT

We are lucky to have a community garden in the **Railyard Park**, and are excited you want to participate! Please note that participation for 1 growing season (date of obtaining plot through December 2011) costs \$15 for water and common materials (hoses, etc), and volunteering in communal areas and in the park is highly encouraged. Membership is on a first come, first serve basis.

The Railyard Park has **10 plots available this year, each plot is about 50 square feet**. We have tools for your use in a shed on site, about 200 yards from the plots. Please remember that this is a public park, so people taking your produce is a possibility, as well as interaction with the public and on occasion the homeless.

We ask that you follow a few simple rules to make the gardens a safe and beautiful addition to the park:

General Rules:

1. These are organic gardens. I will not use pesticides, herbicides, or synthetic fertilizers in the gardens. For a list of organic alternatives, go to <http://santafecommunitygardens.org>.
2. I realize that the gardens are located in a city park, and I will abide by all of the rules of the Railyard Park, including hours of operation.
3. I am responsible for the conduct of any guests I bring to the garden.
4. I understand that if I fail to follow the rules set forth in this document, I will risk forfeiting my plot and my right to participate as a member of the Railyard Stewards Community Garden.
5. When working in the Community Gardens, I understand that I am acting as an ambassador for the Railyard Stewards, and agree to treat members of the public, city staff and other volunteers with kindness and respect!
6. The garden is a place for community learning and gardening – have fun!

Railyard Community Garden Rules:

I agree that my plot is allocated to me solely for the purposes of gardening. Any other use of my plot (including, but not limited to, commerce, social gathering, storage of personal belongings, development, soliciting, and advertising) is strictly prohibited.

1. I agree to work in my garden by May 15, 2010, and have it planted by the end of May.
2. I agree to attend to my plot regularly (at least 2 times a week is usually required) for the entire growing seasons and to keep my plot well-maintained, including keeping the plot free of weeds and debris. If your plot is not kept up, the Railyard Stewards will contact you to remedy the situation. If you do not respond within two weeks, your plot may be released to another volunteer member.
3. I will not plant perennials or plants that will excessively shade my neighbor's plot(s).
4. I agree to follow city requirements for water use, and will make an effort not water my plot between the hours of 10am and 6pm. I will not give the water code out to non-members.

5. I agree to pay my dues (\$15) within 2 weeks of being assigned a plot, and I understand that I will not be assigned a plot until my dues have been paid. (Checks should be made out to The Railyard Stewards). If I do not pay my dues within 2 weeks, I understand that I forfeit my plot. Dues fees will not be returned if your plot is released due to non-compliance with this document.
6. I agree to treat my fellow gardeners with kindness and respect.
7. I understand that this community garden is in a public park, and that the Railyard Stewards and the City of Santa Fe are not responsible for stolen produce or damage to my plot.
8. I agree to make every effort to attend (or for one of my eligible family members to attend) all member meetings and to attend common workdays. Missing more than 2 workdays throughout the season (April – October) may jeopardize my membership.
9. I understand that my use of this community garden plot is for the 2011 growing season, and I will need to reapply annually for future use of this communal space.
10. I understand that the placement of fences and permanent signs, structures or artwork will need to be approved by the Railyard Stewards and partners as applicable.
11. I agree to abide by the rules set forth in the Conservation Easement on the Railyard Park and Plaza, and by the Policies and Procedures for the Railyard Park and Plaza, as well as City Park rules (hours of use, no alcohol, etc.).

By signing this form below, I indicate my desire to participate in the Railyard Park Community Gardens and attest that I am physically fit and prepared for this participation, and that I am at least 18 years of age (minors require signature of their parent or legal guardian). In consideration of my acceptance as a participant in this Event, I hereby agree to release, defend, indemnify and hold harmless the Sponsors (The City of Santa Fe and The Railyard Stewards) from any and all claims for any and all expenses, personal injury, loss or damages incurred or caused by me during or in connection with my participating in this program. Also in consideration for my acceptance as a participant in this program, I grant full permission for the Sponsors to use photographs, portraits, film and videos of me and quotations made by me now and in the future for media and outreach purposes.

I (We), _____, have read, understood and agree to adhere to all of the rules listed above.

Signature(s) _____ Date _____