

## STREET PERFORMANCE PERMIT APPLICATION AND RENEWAL

### About This Form

You may use this form to apply for a permit within the City of Greenville. If you use **dangerous implements or materials** in your act, you may also need liability insurance. If you are **under 18 years of age** your parent or guardian must complete and sign the parental waiver on this form before you can obtain a permit. Each member of a group act must submit a separate application and display his/her own permit while performing. Group permits are not available.

### What You Will Need

1. Completed application
2. Color Photo
  - a. 2in x 2in color photo such that the head is between 1in and 1 <sup>3</sup>/<sub>8</sub> in from the bottom of the chin to the top of the head. Renewal applications must submit a new photo.
3. 10-year criminal record check (REQUIRED for all ages)
  - a. Obtained at the Law Enforcement Center at 4 McGee Street, Greenville, SC 29601
  - b. 5-year criminal record checks will ONLY be accepted for applicants who possess a valid and current City of Greenville Street Performer permit
4. Permit fee – payable once permit is approved.
  - a. \$50 regular fee
  - b. \$15 if you are a current student with a valid student ID
  - c. Acceptable payment methods are: online invoice or check by mail.
    - i. We are not accepting payment onsite at this time.
5. Some form of valid ID (Driver's License, ID Card, etc.)
  - a. For performers under 18 years of age, identification is required of performer and legal guardian.
6. Business License
  - a. ONLY if you plan to exchange goods for money
  - b. Please contact the City of Greenville- Business License Division at 864-467-4505.

### How to Complete This Application

1. You must submit **all items** via the **online application** or a paper application **by mail** to:
  - a. Online Applications are available at <http://www.greenvillesc.gov/perform>
  - b. Paper applications can be printed at the link above and mailed. Please mail applications to:  
Dept. of Events and Cultural Affairs  
C/O Street Performers  
City of Greenville  
PO Box 2207  
Greenville SC 29602
2. Street Performers should allow 24 business hours before a permit status is communicated by email.
3. Permits will be processed following permit approval and payment, only.
4. Street Performers will receive a distribution email once permit is ready for pick-up or sent by mail.



**Contact Info**

**All permits expire on March 15, 2022.** If you wish to keep performing, you must renew your permit after March 15 (of the current permit year). We do not offer a pro-rated fee for Street Performer permits.

EMAIL: [streetperformers@greenvillesc.gov](mailto:streetperformers@greenvillesc.gov)

WEBSITE: <http://www.greenvillesc.gov/perform>

**STREET PERFORMANCE PERMIT APPLICATION**

**Applicant Details**

First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Home Address \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address (if different from home address) \_\_\_\_\_

**Parental/Guardian Consent Details (if applicant is under 18)**

I (please print name) \_\_\_\_\_

Of (please print address) \_\_\_\_\_

Hereby consent to my child/ward (please print name) \_\_\_\_\_  
performing as a street performer in the City of Greenville.

I understand that:

1. The City of Greenville provides no supervision of Street Performers under the age of 18 years; and
2. Street Performers under the age of 18 are subject to the City Of Greenville Street Performance Policy; and
3. Street Performers under the age of 18 years old must be accompanied by an adult throughout the entire performance.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Name\* (please print)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent/Guardian Signature\*

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date



## Proof of Identity

The street performer applicant must provide proof of identity. If the street performer is under 18 years old, the parent/guardian must provide proof of identity as well. Below please provide proof of identity information. Please submit a photo copy of each with your application.

Proof of Age Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Street Performer or Parent/Guardian  
\*Please circle whom the information identifies.

Student ID Card # \_\_\_\_\_ Required by Street Performer for student rate.

Please Note: To receive the student rate, an Official Student ID or official school documentation (from the current academic year) is required to prove student status. Please submit a copy with your application.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Driver's License Number (You)

\_\_\_\_\_  
Driver's License Number (Parent/Guardian)

## Merchandise

Do you intend to have merchandise related to your performance? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

Business License Number \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please read and sign the declaration below:

I know that all transfer of merchandise must be done for donations only. No price will be set or displayed at any time. This includes sketches, artwork, CDs, DVDs, etc. I declare that any CDs or DVDs will only contain my own, original material. I know that I must have a business license if any product changes hands and I have obtained a business license through the City of Greenville.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_

## Permit Details

Are you renewing a permit or applying for a new permit? \_\_\_\_\_ New Permit \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal

City of Greenville Street Performance Permit Number \_\_\_\_\_

## Amplified Sound

Are you requesting battery operated amplified sound? \_\_\_\_\_ Yes \_\_\_\_\_ No

If yes, what is the use and reason for use? Please refer to the City Ordinance regarding amplified sound below. \_\_\_\_\_

*Authorized street performers may utilize **battery powered** amplification only. No City power may be used for sound equipment. Also, the resulting sound may not prohibit normal conversation levels at a distance of 20 feet or more from where the sound originates (measured horizontally and vertically).*



## Performance Details

Performance Description \_\_\_\_\_

Please select the type of performance by checking the box(es) below:

Vocals       Dance       Mime/Statue

Comedy       Juggling (non-dangerous implements)       Instrumental (Please specify

which instrument(s) you will play) \_\_\_\_\_

*Dangerous Act: Please note, performances with flames or fireworks are excluded unless you have a written authorization from the City of Greenville Fire Marshal setting forth the conditions of authorization for the performance. Performances with knives, daggers, swords, and like sharp instruments are excluded unless written authorization is first obtained from the City of Greenville Police Department setting the conditions of authorization.*

Other (Please specify the type of performance) \_\_\_\_\_

## Permit Payment and Distribution Options

**1. How do you prefer to pay for your permit?** Please mark your preference.

Online, via the email link sent by City Staff

By Mail \*Checks should be payable to: City of Greenville.

Permits will not be processed until payment is received. If mailing payment, please anticipate a longer wait time for permit issuance.

**2. Which permit fee is applicable to you?** Please select one.

Standard Permit Fee (\$50)

Student Rate (\$15)

The student rate discount will only be applied to those who provide valid school verification from the current academic year.

**3. Once permit is issued, how would you prefer to receive your permit?** Please mark your preference.

In-person Pickup at City hall

By Mail

In-person pickup times are Monday – Friday, 10 AM – 3 PM.

Each street performer will receive a notification email outlining how City staff will distribute your permit, based on your chosen preferences above. Performers who choose the in-person pickup option, please wait to receive your distribution email confirming your permit is ready for pickup before arriving at City Hall.

## Rules and Regulations

Please note, the rules and regulations are subject to change within the permit year. However, if changes are adopted street performers will be notified via the email provided in his/her application.

**I, the undersigned, declare as follows** (please check all boxes to indicate that you have read each point):

\_\_\_\_\_ I know I am only able to perform between the times of 10:00 am and 10:00 pm all days of the week on City owned or operated sidewalks, plazas, parks and other public places (excluding vehicular areas in streets and parking lots).

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that performances are limited to one hour. After one hour, I must move to a new spot that is the equivalent of one block away from my previous location.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that I should be in proper attire during my performance. Shoes, shirt, pants or shorts are required. I am aware that I cannot wear any facial mask, headgear or cloth worn over any portion of my face which prevents facial identification. \*Face coverings to prevent the spread of COVID-19 are allowed.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that I am not allowed to perform in permitted Special Event sites.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that I am not allowed to perform within fifty feet of a school, hospital, funeral home, court house, or other street performer (unless playing together).

\_\_\_\_\_ I will follow social distancing guidelines of staying 6 feet apart, if my performance is part of a group.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that, if permitted, I will only use battery operated amplification, and that, under no circumstances, should City power be used. I am also aware that the resulting sound may not prohibit normal conversation levels at a distance of 20 feet or more from where the sound originates (measured horizontally and vertically).

\_\_\_\_\_ I will not interfere with the flow of pedestrian traffic at a crosswalk, building entrance, private patio, curb cut or entrance into an encroachment area for dining.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will submit a criminal records check by contacting Greenville County Criminal Records *prior* to receiving a permit. I know that the City reserves the right to deny a permit with a conviction for an act that would represent a potential threat to public safety or security for a viewing audience.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will submit a permit application one business day prior to the first street performance. I will comply with the City's noise ordinance and I know I am responsible for all needed equipment, special needs, parking, set-up, etc.



## Rules and Regulations (Continued)

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware performance permits can be denied by the Department of Events and Cultural Affairs staff, if a performance does not meet or showcase an acceptable level of artistic expression.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will only accept donations from the public when my Street Performance Permit is obtained and is on display. I am aware that my permit will expire on March 15, 2022.

\_\_\_\_\_ I know that the use of profane, indecent, abusive or threatening language or behavior constitutes acts of harassment against the public peace and can result in denial or revocation of a permit.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that all transfer of merchandise must be done for donation only, that I may not set or display a price at any time, and that I need to obtain a business license if I wish to have any merchandise (CDs, DVDs, sketches, etc).

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware that I may not touch any person at any time during my performance. \*This includes face painting.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will display my Street Performance Permit in a prominent position close to where I am performing at all times. I will make my permit available for inspection by an authorized City of Greenville Official upon request and follow any lawful direction issued by that official/officer.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will not transfer this Permit to any other person. I agree that this Permit does not give me sole use or reservation of a site. I will use designated sites in restricted areas in accordance with the conditions attached to their use and contained in the City of Greenville.

\_\_\_\_\_ I am aware all street performers under the age of 18 years old, must be accompanied by an adult during the entire performance.

\_\_\_\_\_ I will not create a threat to public safety, whether real or perceived. I will notify the City of Greenville if my personal details or my performance changes to include the use of any dangerous implements or materials.

\_\_\_\_\_ I have received and read the City of Greenville Street Performance Policy and agree to be bound by the conditions contained in the Policy.

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**Applicant Name\* (please print)**

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**Applicant Signature\***

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**Date**

## Permit Processing, Documentation Requirements and Communication

Street Performer applicants can anticipate the following communication via email regarding the status of his/her street performer permit.

### 1. Permit Status Email

An applicant will be notified, within 24 business hours, by email regarding permit status. If approved, payment will be requested. The status of a permit will be one of the following - approved, pending or denied. If an applicant receives a "pending" status, additional documentation or information is required in order to process the applicant's street performer permit.

### 2. Distribution Status Email

Once payment is received, either from the online link or by mail, the permit will be created and a follow-up distribution email will be sent to the street performer. The email will either provide instructions for in-person pick-up, or state the permit has been mailed- depending on the applicant's selected distribution preference.

**Street Performer Documentation Requirements**, please submit a copy of each:

Adult Permit	Minor Permit (under 18 yrs. old)
Form of ID	Form of ID
Criminal Record Check	Criminal Record Check
Permit Photo	Permit Photo
Rules and Regulations Signature	Rules and Regulation, Parent Signature
School Documentation, if applicable	School Documentation, if applicable
	Parent/Guardian Form of ID
	Parent/Guardian Consent

### **Payment Information and Details**

1. We are not accepting payment onsite at this time.
2. Acceptable forms of payment are: online or by mail. No cash.
3. Online Payment:
  - A secure online invoice link will be made available in your permit status email, if your permit is approved.
4. Payment By Mail:
  - If your permit is approved, your permit status email will provide instructions on how and where to mail your check. Please anticipate a delay in permit issuance when paying by mail.

### **Mailing Payment**

Mailed checks only, no cash. Please make all checks payable to: City of Greenville.

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