

Smaller local events have cheaper tabling fees (\$25-50) compared to bigger tourist-centered ones (\$100-400)

You can also find lists of big cons, zinefests, and other acclaimed art events online.

Don't self select! Apply for anything you can feasibly make it to.

A space holding a market usually puts out a vendor call a few months in advance with instructions on how to apply. If instructions are unclear, email them.

Make sure you're regularly checking your own email.

If you still have questions/want some advice, shoot me an email at

contact.acdworks@gmail.com

Even if you're a stranger, I promise I don't bite and I love sharing knowledge!

**Good luck
and happy tabling!**

Places likely to host markets: Coffee shops, music venues, local general event spaces, local festivals, DIY-orientated spaces such as art studios or zine libraries.

Follow their social media, newsletter, or visit their physical bulletin board to stay up to date on events and opportunities.

Add vertically to your display, it's more eye-catching than everything flat on the table

**WHERE
TO TABLE**

TABLING

TIPS

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People like individually priced items more than one big price sign.

If you're outside, wear sunblock/bring some form of shade (an umbrella/canopy/etc).

Organize your inventory so it's easy to flip through and find something specific!

Have some business cards/small flyers/QR codes with your info on them so people can find you again later.

Practice your set up beforehand and take a picture of it.

SUPPLIES

- 6 ft. table
- Comfortable chair(s)
- Tablecloth
- Pricing sign(s)
- Easy method(s) of payment like venmo/cashapp QR codes
- Signage with your name/where to find you
- Displays for your goods
- A way to keep track of inventory
- A way to store cash + \$1s and \$5s for change

TIPS

Try to table with a buddy! This way you can more easily take bathroom/snack breaks or check out everyone else's goods.

Bring lots of water and snacks. You will get very thirsty and hungry even if you're just sitting the whole market.

Smile and say hi if someone approaches your table, but try to occupy yourself while they look around (unless they start a conversation, then chat away!)

TIMELINE

Prep supplies the night before. I usually load everything up in my car except my inventory.

Arrive 30 minutes to 1 hour before the start of the event for set up.

Bring a meal or set a designated time for someone to bring you a meal.

Breakdown is usually slightly faster than set up.