

## **ACCESSIBILITY @ SUMMERFOLK**

Summerfolk aims to accommodate anyone with special needs. Staying alert to the possible rise of accessibility problems - we hope we can resolve and ensure all patrons have an equally enjoyable Summerfolk experience. All staff have read carefully through the Summerfolk accessibility information to fully understand Summerfolk's Accessibility policy.

### **Summerfolk Music & Crafts Festival – Kelso Beach Park**

Summerfolk welcomes Companions and Personal Support Workers who are providing assistance to patrons with special needs at the festival. At no time will a person with a disability be knowingly prevented from having access to personal support while on the festival premises. A support person can be a paid professional, volunteer, family member or a friend. Recognized Companions and Personal Support Workers are admitted to the festival 50% of the admission fee.

Children under 12 are admitted free. If they have a disability, their Personal Support Worker is also admitted to the festival free of charge.

The designated **Access Support Krew (ASK)** is available to support any patrons who may need additional access support during the festival. This dynamic crew works throughout the weekend, and offers the following services:

- Accessible parking for patrons with an official, government issued accessibility parking permit;  
There are 15 'Handicapped' parking spaces beside the main front gate entrance. You must have a government issued permit displayed on the vehicle in order to use these spaces. Individuals who do not have a parking permit may drop off their passengers at the main gate and then find a parking spot. If you require special accommodations, please contact the Georgian Bay Folk Society Office as soon as possible.
- There is a designated wheelchair and special needs seating area at the north-east side of the Amphitheatre, directly stage right.
- Stages are not signed, but we try to have several Braille programs available.
- Accessible outdoor porta-potties located throughout the park;
- A private space for changing or taking a break;
- Fresh drinking water for service dogs.

The ASK tent is located at the entrance to the main grounds of the festival. Our policy is if you need anything, just ASK!

We will do our best to accommodate.

### **Summerfolk Office—1101 -2nd Avenue East, Owen Sound, ON N4K 2J1**

There are paved pathways in the park, as well as gravel and grass paths. The paved pathways reach to the Food Court, Artisans Village, the licensed areas, children's splash pad and Amphitheatre stage.

Please be aware the Summerfolk Music & Crafts Festival does take place on natural terrain and that nature and weather may make it difficult to maneuver for all patrons.

**For the GBFS Persons with Disabilities Customer Service Policy click on this link:**

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