



## Artist FAQ and Responsibilities

### What is YetiCon?

YetiCon is a geek convention held at the stunning Blue Mountain Resort. It runs Saturday and Sunday, June 15<sup>th</sup> and June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. Exhibitors can set up on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

### Where are the exhibitors at YetiCon located?

The exhibitors will be located inside of The Courts at the Blue Mountain Conference Centre.

### What are the hours of operation for artists?

Artists are welcome to set up their table(s) between the hours of 10 AM and 10 PM on Friday, June 14<sup>th</sup>.

Date	Set Up	Open Hours	Tear Down
Friday, June 14 <sup>th</sup>	10 AM – 10 PM	N/A	N/A
Saturday, June 15 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 AM – 10 AM	10 AM – 8 PM	N/A
Sunday, June 16 <sup>th</sup>	9:30 AM – 10 AM	10 AM – 5 PM	5 PM – 10 PM

Please note that these times are subject to change.

### When is the deadline for applications as an artist?

All artists must have their applications in by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. No applications will be accepted following this date.

### How does the application process work?

To begin, please fill out the application form found on our website under the “Forms & Info” tab. The form can be submitted by e-mail ([exhibitors@yetiicon.org](mailto:exhibitors@yetiicon.org)). We will review each application within two weeks of submission. If you are accepted, payment is due within thirty (30) days of the acceptance e-mail being sent. Failure to do so may result in your reservation being denied.

### When will I know if I have been approved as an artist?

If you have been approved, we will e-mail you within two weeks of your application having been received.

**If I have been approved, but can no longer come to the convention, how do I receive a refund?**

Please e-mail [exhibitors@yeticon.org](mailto:exhibitors@yeticon.org) with the subject line: “Cancellation: Artist”. All cancellations made before March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2024 will receive a full refund. Half (50%) refunds will be available after March 19<sup>th</sup>, 2023 until May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Any artist who cancels after May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024 will not receive a refund.

**If I must cancel my reservation as an artist, what is the latest date by which I can withdraw?**

The latest day you may cancel and still receive a fifty percent (50%) refund is by May 31<sup>st</sup>, 2024. Any cancellations after this date will not be eligible for a refund.

**How do I pay for my table?**

We accept payment by cheque, bank draft (made out to YetiCon) or e-transfer using the address [exhibitors@yeticon.org](mailto:exhibitors@yeticon.org).

**What is the deadline for payment?**

Artists must pay within thirty (30) days of their acceptance e-mail being sent. Failure to do so may result in your reservation being denied.

**What is the price for a half table? What comes with a half table?**

A half table (4' x 30”) is \$55 CAD plus tax. Artists who purchase a half table will receive one YetiCon pass, one chair, and a table cloth. If you so wish, we will also list you as an artist on our website, with a link to your online store or promotional website.

**What is the price for a full table? What is included with a full table?**

A full table (8' x 30”) is \$80 CAD plus tax. Artists who purchase a full table will receive one YetiCon pass, one chair, and a table cloth. If you so wish, we will also list you as an artist on our website, with a link to your online store or promotional website.

**What is the price for a Shared Table? What is included with a Shared Table?**

A Shared Table (8' x 30”) is \$110 CAD plus tax. Shared Tables are intended for two artists sharing a table. Artists who purchase a Shared Table will receive two YetiCon passes, two chairs, and a table cloth. If you so wish, we will also list you both as artists on our website, with a link to your online store or promotional website.

**What content am I allowed to sell at the convention?**

You are allowed to sell content that contains your own artwork. Prints, posters, canvas, buttons/pins, bookmarks, stickers, and charms (that contain your own artwork) are permissible. It is also acceptable to sell books, such as sketch books, containing your own artwork. 3D art pieces created by you, the artist, are also allowed. Any collaborative works, such as doujinshi, may be sold under the condition

that all contributing artists have signed and dated a waiver. This waiver must be submitted along with the artist's application as an attachment. This condition also applies to the sale of collaborative prints.

### **What content am I not allowed to sell at the convention?**

Artists are not allowed to sell any artwork that does not belong to them, with collaborative works being the only exception. The sale of collaborative works requires all other contributing artists to date and sign a waiver, which should be submitted as an attachment alongside the artist's application.

Artists are also not permitted to sell:

- Content that violates Canadian law.
- Licensed, retail, or official merchandise, unless you are the owner of said merchandise. Licensed, retail, or official merchandise can only be sold by vendors, not artists.
- Copyrighted and/or trademarked materials and/or images, including logos, symbols, and emblems that have been licensed by other companies.

Artists are also prohibited from selling food, drinks, any illicit or controlled substances, and sexual paraphernalia.

At this time, YetiCon does not permit the sale of AI-generated artwork.

Artists who have been found to have violated any of these rules will forfeit their table, without refund. Expulsion from the convention centre and legal action may follow, depending on the violation.

### **Am I allowed to sell items that depict nudity/sexual conduct at the convention?**

You are allowed to sell these materials so long as they do not violate Canadian law, and you abide by our requirements:

- Please notify us through your application form if you intend to sell adult content by checking off the box marked “adult content” on your application. This information can also be included in the Brief Description of Products/Services.
- You, the seller, must be at least eighteen (18) years of age to sell adult content. Please supply photo identification to verify this.
- You are not to sell adult content to buyers who do not have proof of age. The sale of adult content to minors is forbidden.
- Artists are not to put material displaying overt nudity or sexual content up on their display. If you must put materials containing sexual imagery or nudity up as a part of your display, we ask that you censor this material in a way that any explicit content cannot be seen by minors.

**Am I allowed to represent other artists at my table? Can I sublet my space?**

You are not allowed to represent or sublet to any artists that have not been approved by YetiCon. Approved artists cannot sell artwork that does not belong to them, and can only sell items containing their own artwork. Only the sale of collaborative works allows for an exception, which requires a waiver to be dated and signed by all contributing artists. This waiver must be sent with the application form as an attachment.

**Am I allowed to share my half/full table with another artist?**

No. You must purchase a Shared Table in order to share the same table. When applying for a Shared Table, we recommend that you share a form by filling out the Second Exhibitor section on the application form. YetiCon must approve all exhibitors before they are allowed to sell their works in The Courts.

**Am I allowed to share my Shared Table with more than one other artist?**

No. Shared Tables are only intended for use by two artists.

**I would like to put in a request for additional tables. How do I make this known?**

On your application form, there is a field that asks for the number of tables you are interested in purchasing. Each additional table is \$50 CAD plus tax and comes with space. Space comes in 10' x 10' blocks.

**I need additional passes for my helpers. How do I make this known?**

On your application form, there is a field that asks for the number of additional passes you would like to request. All additional passes are available at the attendee price, with Eventbrite fees discounted.

**What does it mean when it says that I'll be "listed" on YetiCon's website?**

YetiCon will post your professional/company name on our "Exhibitors" page. This can include a link to your online store or promotional website. We can also include your logo, if you have supplied it with your application.

**What dimensions/image size should I send to you to be listed on YetiCon's website?**

Square images work best. They can be any size, so long as they are square!

**I don't have an online store or promotional website.**

Artists are not required to submit a URL for weblisting. Your professional/company name can still be listed on our website without one, if you would like to be listed.

**I don't have a logo/don't want to submit a sample image for weblisting. What do I do?**

Artists are not required to submit a logo for weblisting. Your professional/company name can still be listed on our website without a logo. We do feel that including an image will help your name stand out, though!

**I do not want to be listed on YetiCon's website. What do I do?**

If you do not want to be listed, please notify us in the Additional Notes section of your application.

**When am I allowed to begin set up?**

On Friday, approved artists are allowed to set up between the hours of 10 AM and 10 PM. Artists may set up between 9:30 AM and 10 AM on both Saturday and Sunday.

**When and where do I pick up my exhibitor's wristband(s)?**

During set up hours on Friday, artists will be able to pick up their passes from the loading dock entrance to The Courts.

**Can I set up and then pick up my pass?**

You are not allowed to enter The Courts prior to opening hours without your exhibitor's wristband. Please pick up your pass as soon as you arrive.

**I cannot get my pass at that time. When else can I get my pass?**

Please go to our Registration desk if you cannot make it during set up hours. You can pick up your pass(es) there after set up hours. However, please be aware that you will not be able to bring items through the loading dock once set up hours have concluded.

**Do I have to wear my exhibitor's pass while I am at my table?**

Yes. By displaying your exhibitor's pass, you help us identify who is allowed behind the tables. This also ensures that only approved persons are in the Courts during set up and tear down hours. Please help us keep The Courts organized by wearing your wristband.

**I cannot make it during the specified set up time. Can I use the loading dock at a later time?**

Unfortunately, we cannot open the loading dock after set up hours. If you have any concerns regarding the loading dock, please e-mail [exhibitors@yetiicon.org](mailto:exhibitors@yetiicon.org).

**I would like to be placed beside a specific artist.**

We would be glad to place you alongside a friend! Please include the name(s) of the desired artist(s) you'd like to be placed beside in the "Additional Notes" section of the application form.

### **What are the parameters for my display?**

Displays must be set up within the confines of your assigned space. They cannot interfere with the spaces of other exhibitors or public space. They also cannot violate YetiCon and/or Blue Mountain Conference Centre regulations. All displays must be safe and stable. Any displays that are not secure, or might injure someone, must be dismantled.

Balloons are not allowed to be used as a part of your display.

Artists cannot alter any part of the conference centre or its equipment. Nothing can be stapled to the walls.

### **Do I have to dismantle my display every night?**

While artists are allowed to leave their displays up overnight, we encourage you to remove your merchandise to prevent theft. If you cannot or do not wish to move your merchandise, please know that The Courts will be locked at night, and Blue Mountain runs active nighttime security on the resort. However, neither YetiCon nor Blue Mountain and its affiliates are responsible for stolen merchandise.

### **I don't have anyone accompanying me. If I need a break, is it fine for me to ask a volunteer to watch my table?**

Unfortunately, volunteers are not allowed to watch your table or merchandise for you.

### **What should I do if an item is stolen?**

Please contact Blue Mountain security in the event of theft. Please note that neither YetiCon nor Blue Mountains and its affiliates are responsible for lost, misplaced, damaged, or stolen articles.

### **Is there WiFi?**

Blue Mountain Resort provides free basic WiFi. They also provide premium WiFi with faster speeds for a price. WiFi strength and signal are subject to variable speeds depending on location at the resort as well as user traffic.

### **By what time do I have to be out of the convention centre on Sunday?**

The Courts are not open to general attendees after 5 PM on Sunday, June 16<sup>th</sup>, 2024. You will have from after 5 PM until 10 PM to pack up. Exhibitors must be out by 10 PM. Please leave your space respectfully clean, and leave all tables and chairs where they are.

### **What am I responsible for during tear down on Sunday?**

Artists are to ensure that their space is clean and that all their belongings have been collected. Please dispose of any garbage in the proper receptacle. All cardboard boxes must be broken down and put into recycling. Any damage to the space, table, or chairs may result in the artist being fined by the venue.

## **As an artist, what are my responsibilities?**

We have included the Artist's Responsibilities and Code of Conduct below.

### **Artist's Responsibilities and Code of Conduct**

As an artist, I understand that I am responsible for my space and for my merchandise. I understand that any damage to the space may result in additional charges levied by the venue. I understand that neither YetiCon, Blue Mountain, nor its affiliates, officers, agents, employees, or representatives are responsible or liable for any damages, harm, loss, claim or injury to property or person of the exhibitor, exhibitor officers, agents, employees, or other persons, whether caused by the negligence of YetiCon or Blue Mountain and its affiliates, or from theft, fire, water, accident or any other cause whatsoever.

As an artist, I agree to abide by YetiCon policies. I understand that YetiCon supports an all-inclusive environment regardless of gender identity, personal beliefs and ethnicity. I understand that YetiCon staff reserves the right to revoke convention passes to any offenders of their policies.

By signing YetiCon's artist application form, I agree that I have fully read and understood the contents of YetiCon's policies. I understand that I am responsible for my own merchandise, and that YetiCon, Blue Mountain and its affiliates, are not responsible for any damage, loss, or theft of my merchandise.

Additionally, YetiCon reserves the right to limit the amount of spaces or passes sold to exhibitors. YetiCon also reserves the right to cancel any exhibitors at their own discretion.

tl;dr – I won't sue YetiCon or Blue Mountain and its affiliates, and I'll be respectful of others.

## **What happens if I violate any of the rules?**

Any violations of the above rules may result in the forfeiture of your table, the revoking of your convention pass(es), and expulsion from the convention centre. Violations of Canadian law may require intervention by venue security and/or legal authorities.

## **If I have any questions that have not been answered here, who may I direct them to?**

Please e-mail [exhibitors@yeticon.org](mailto:exhibitors@yeticon.org). It may take us two full weeks to reply to your e-mail.