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#BlackWallStreet314 Festival COVID-19 Risk Management Plan

#BlackWallStreet314 Festival organizers agree that safety of all attendees and staff are safeguarded. Because COVID-19 virus circulation varies in communities, these considerations are meant to supplement — not replace — any state, local, territorial or tribal health and safety laws, rules and regulations with which gatherings must comply. According to the CDC, "organizers should continue to assess, based on current conditions, whether to postpone, cancel, or significantly reduce the number of attendees for gatherings.

Promoting Healthy Behaviors that Reduce Spread

- Hand Hygiene and Respiratory Etiquette
 - We will require frequent handwashing for at least 20 seconds.
 - We will encourage attendees and staff to cover the mouth and nose with a tissue when coughing and sneezing.

- Masks
 - We require the use of masks by everyone.
 - We inform our staff with information on proper use, removal, and washing of masks.
 - We advise staff that masks should not be placed on:
 - Babies or children younger than 2 years old
 - Anyone who has trouble breathing
 - Anyone who is unconscious, incapacitated, or otherwise unable to remove the mask without assistance
 - We will encourage attendees ahead of the event to bring and use masks at the event.
 - We will encourage masks in settings where individuals might raise their voice (e.g., shouting, chanting, and singing).

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Maintaining Healthy Environments

We are implementing several strategies to maintain healthy environments.

- Cleaning and Disinfection
 - We will clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces at least hourly or between uses as much as possible.
 - We will clean and disinfect shared objects between uses.
 - We will use disposable gloves when removing garbage bags or handling and disposing of trash.
 - After using disposable gloves, we throw them out in a lined trash can.
 - We will not disinfect or reuse the gloves.
 - We will wash hands after removing gloves.
- Restrooms
 - We are limiting the number of people who occupy the restroom at one time to allow for social distancing.
 - We won't allow lines or crowds to form near the restroom without maintaining a distance of at least 6 feet from other people.
 - We will ensure that open restrooms are:
 - Adequately stocked with supplies for handwashing, including soap and water or hand sanitizer with at least 60% alcohol, paper towels, tissues, and no-touch trash cans.
- Physical Barriers and Guides
 - We will provide physical guides, such as tape on floors or sidewalks and signs on walls, to ensure that individuals remain at least 6 feet apart in lines and at other times (e.g., guides for creating one-way routes).
 - We will install physical barriers in areas where it is difficult for individuals to remain at least 6 feet apart.
 - We will change seating layout or availability of seating so that people can remain at least 6 feet apart.

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- Communal Spaces
 - Stagger use of shared indoor spaces such as dining halls, game rooms, and lounges as much as possible and clean and disinfect them between uses.
 - Add physical barriers between bathroom sinks and beds.
 - Clean and disinfect bathrooms regularly.

- Vendor & Food Service
 - Encourage use touchless payment options as much as possible, if available.
 - We will ask customers and volunteers to exchange cash or card payments by placing them on a receipt tray or on the counter rather than by hand to avoid direct hand-to-hand contact.
 - We will clean and disinfect frequently touched surfaces such as pens, counters, or hard surfaces between use and encourage patrons to use their own pens.
 - We will provide physical guides, such as tape on floors or sidewalks and signs on walls, to ensure that individuals remain at least 10 feet apart when waiting in line.
 - We will mandate vendors use disposable food service items including utensils and dishes.
 - We will mandate individuals should wash their hands after removing their gloves or after directly handling used food service items.

Maintaining Healthy Operations

We are implementing several strategies to maintain healthy operations.

- Designated COVID-19 Point of Contact
 - We will designate an administrator or office to be responsible for responding to COVID-19 concerns. All staff and attendees should know who this person or office is and how to contact them.

- Communication Systems
 - Put systems in place to:

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- We will advise attendees prior to the event or gathering that they should not attend if they have symptoms of, a positive test for, or were recently exposed (within 14 days) to COVID-19.
- Staff Training
 - Staff will be trained on all safety protocols.
 - We have conducted training virtually to ensure that social distancing is maintained during training.

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