



**7th Annual “Stir the Pot: Louisiana Seafood Cook-off and Festival”
Saturday, April 22, 2017 Palmetto Island State Park,**

Dear Volunteer,

It’s time once again for the 7th Annual “Stir the Pot Cook-off & Festival” scheduled for **April 22, 2017** at Palmetto Island State Park. We are looking for volunteers to help put on this event and we need you! In exchange for donating your time, volunteers will receive free entry into the festival, as well as a festival food tasting bracelet and five (5) complimentary food/beverages tickets.

- **Advance registration is required. Volunteer registration at the gate will NOT be allowed.** Children, friends and family entering the festival with official volunteers will be charged the admission fee.
- Registration with the festival and Office of State Parks as a volunteer is **mandatory** for anyone to participate as a volunteer for the festival or for any Friends group activity. It’s to your benefit to register. The registration form documents permission for you to be on property. Authorized volunteers, who are acting in good faith and within the scope of the assigned duties, are shielded from individual liability and for damage caused by his actions as it will be covered by the state’s liability insurance. Registered volunteers will be provided a level of medical and limited liability coverage.
 - If you have never volunteered at our events before, please fill out and **return both forms**.
 - Should you decline to sign the O.S.P. volunteer form you will not be allowed to act as a volunteer for our activity being held at the Park. You are still welcome to enjoy the activity, but as a park/festival patron only.
 - Indicate if you’re already registered with O.S.P. You only have to register with O.S.P. once. If you are already registered as a volunteer with them, please disregard the O.S.P. volunteer registration form and only send in the festival volunteer form.
- Position confirmation and additional volunteer information will be sent to you about 2 weeks before the event. You will be contacted by someone to go over the duties. There will be NO general volunteer mandatory meeting on the Friday night before the festival.
- **Homemade treats for our sweets table would be appreciated.**

Thank you for helping us make this event a success!

Call Shannon at 337-652-2484 if you have questions.

Founded in 2011, Friends of Palmetto Island State Park, Inc. is a 501(c)(3) public charity organized for the exclusive benefit, support, enhancement and promotion of Palmetto Island State Park.

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2017 STIR THE POT VOLUNTEER REGISTRATION FORM

To register as a volunteer, please fill out the information below and send it in by **April 3** to:
Mail: P.O. Box 33, Perry, LA 70575 or **email** it to info@friendsofpalmetto.org

No on-site volunteers will be accepted; only those who have returned this form will be listed as a volunteer and will receive volunteer benefits.

Name: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Address: _____

E-mail address: _____

Volunteer Availability ___ 9 am – 6 pm ___ 9 am – 1 pm ___ 1pm– 6 pm

I am available for set up on Friday beginning at (time) _____

I am available before 9 am on Saturday beginning at (time) _____

Please select your top 2 volunteer positions by placing a 1 for your top preference and a 2 for your second preference. Volunteer positions will be filled on a first come first serve basis. The earlier you submit the form the greater chance you have of receiving your top choice.

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| ___ Music | ___ Ticket Sales | ___ Cook-off | ___ Beer/Drink Booth |
| ___ Festival Entrance | ___ Nature Center | ___ Festival Clean-up | ___ Food Tent |
| ___ Auction | ___ Vendors | ___ Friends Booth | ___ Security |
| ___ Parking | ___ Park Entrance | ___ Where Needed | |

I have volunteered before. My OSP registration already on file.

I'm a new volunteer. My registration is attached

Office of State Parks Volunteer registration is mandatory.

I understand that there are common risks associated with participation in the activities described herein. I accept those risks. I will not participate in this event unless I am physically and legally able to do so. I release the Friends of Palmetto Island State Park and their members, partners, and contractors from liability arising out of my own or someone else's action. I agree to follow all applicable rules, laws, and instructions. I agree to be responsible for injuries and damage that I cause. I authorize photographs, videos, and other recordings of me, my name, and this activity to be used in any media for public and charitable purposes.

Signature of Volunteer (if 18 or older) Date

Signature of Parent/Guardian Date

If you have any questions about becoming a volunteer for the festival or the Office of State Parks' registration form please contact Shannon with Friends of Palmetto Island State Park at 337-652-2484.