



# 2026 Eddie Durham Jazz Fest

Saturday, October 10, 2026, 11 am - 5 pm

## Non-Profit Application

The Calaboose African American History Museum is celebrating the musical contributions and legacy of San Marcos native, Eddie Durham, with a free concert in Eddie Durham Park, 205 Martin Luther King Dr., across from the Calaboose Museum. Eddie Durham was a gifted jazz guitarist, trombonist, composer and arranger in the swing era. His work contributed to the popularity of Glen Miller, Bennie Moten, Count Basie and Jimmie Lunceford. He is credited with being the first person to record an amplified guitar when he was featured on the 1935 Jimmie Lunceford recording of Durham's arrangement of "Hittin' the Bottle."

The 2025 Eddie Durham Jazz Fest will feature a concert from 11-5 with special guest and MC, Eddie Durham's daughter, Topsy Durham. This year's event offers a fabulous lineup including: Morris Nelms & the Calaboose Players; Sonia Love; from New York: Blues Hall of Famer, Michael Powers; and big band sounds from the Texas State Jazz Ensemble. You will be entertained by five amazing and talented bands ready to give you a taste of Eddie Durham's classic hits and more! And with the Swing Junction Swing Dancers performing and encouraging you to dance, these jazzy sounds will make this event a foot stomping entertainment for the entire family to enjoy.

MLK Drive will be closed between Fredericksburg Street and Comanche Street to create a pedestrian safe area to allow food trucks and vendors of fine arts, crafts, books, and unique specialty items.

You are invited to participate in the fun. Food trucks, arts and crafts booths, and jazz all day promise to make this a wonderful way to spend an October Saturday. You do not want to miss it!

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**All Vendors:** According to city park rules and regulations the following items are not allowed on park property: Styrofoam, glass, alcohol and tobacco. Only compostable products can be used in city parks. No religious or political campaigning is allowed at the event.

**Tents/Tables/Chairs:** Non-profit organizations are invited to have a booth at the festival and will be positioned within the park. Calaboose will have an information booth where non-profits can leave promotional materials about their organization if you are unable to staff your own booth. If your organization wants a booth, you will need to provide your own equipment, tents, chairs and tables.

**Electricity** will not be provided.

**Taxes/Sales:** Each non-profit will be responsible for their own tax collection, sales records, and credit card authorizations. No change will be available.

**Location:** Eddie Durham Park 205 Martin Luther King Dr., San Marcos, TX 78666

**Event Hours/Set Up/Break Down:** Each booth must stay in place for the entirety of the event. Set up begins at 8:30 am for an 11:00 am event start time. The event ends at 5:00 pm and the space must be cleared by 6:00 pm.

**Booth Fees:** Booth fees for non-profit organizations are waived. Booths may be shared by more than one organization.

**Set Up: Saturday, October 10, 8:30 – 11:00 am      Take Down: 5:00 – 6:00 pm**

Please submit this application by email **on or before October 5th no later than 5:00 pm** to [info@calaboosemuseum.org](mailto:info@calaboosemuseum.org). If for any reason you must cancel your participation, please submit cancellation by email to [info@calaboosemuseum.org](mailto:info@calaboosemuseum.org) **no later than October 7st.**

Please contact [info@calaboosemuseum.org](mailto:info@calaboosemuseum.org) if you have any questions or concerns.

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### NON-PROFIT ORGANIZATION APPLICATION

FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME \_\_\_\_\_

ORANIZATION NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

Please describe how you want to participate:

provide brochures for the Calaboose Information Booth to display

share a booth with another non-profit \_\_\_\_\_

set up my own booth in the park

sell promotional merchandise

DESCRIPTION OF ITEMS TO BE SOLD:

If your organization plans to sell promotional merchandise, please describe the items for sale:

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Vendor understands and agrees to:

1. Set-up Saturday, October 10, 2026 between 8:30 – 11:00 am.
2. Provide your own tent, table and chairs.
3. Staff your booth throughout the event.
4. Sell only the types of items described in this application.
5. Remain for the entire event, 11:00 am – 5:00 pm Saturday, October 10, 2026.
6. Comply with all state and local health codes throughout the duration of the event.
7. Pack up, clean up and leave the area between 5:00 – 6:00 pm Saturday October 10, 2026.
8. Collect and be responsible for submitting appropriate sales tax.
9. Remove all trash after the event. Trash and recycle must be kept separate.

The Eddie Durham Festival Planning Committee agrees to:

1. Provide a 10 x 10 space within Eddie Durham Park.
2. Provide publicity and advertising for the event.
3. Furnish trash and recycle cans for vendors' use.
4. Provide top notch jazz, swing and big band music for your listening pleasure!

PLEASE NOTE!!!! In consideration of the permission granted for the use of property and facilities of the City of San Marcos, Eddie Durham Festival Planning Committee members and volunteers, the identified individual vendors and/or vendor organizations agree to hold

harmless the officers, board, agents, sponsors and employees of The Calaboose African American History Museum from any loss from theft, damage by fire, water, accident or from any other causes. It is expressly understood and agreed that the listed organization or individual(s) will hold the officers, board, agents, sponsors and employees of the Eddie Durham Tribute Committee members harmless from any liability, suit, destruction, injury or claims caused by them. The Eddie Durham Festival Planning Committee members are volunteers.

I agree to and will comply with all the regulations and guidelines and "hold harmless clause" established by the City of San Marcos, the Eddie Durham Festival Planning Committee and the Calaboose African American History Museum.

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Signature

Date

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