

The All American Tattoo Convention cannot thank you enough for being a part of something so big for our local Fayetteville/Fort Bragg, North Carolina area. We appreciate it from the bottom of our hearts that you guys have put Fayetteville on the map for tattooing! Here is a little information about this year's convention:

INFORMATION

• Location:

Cumberland County Crown Complex-Crown Expo Center 1960 Coliseum Dr, Fayetteville, NC 28306 https://goo.gl/maps/ykAa41VADkH2

• Show Hours:

Friday: 2 pm-11 pm Saturday: 12 pm-11 pm Sunday: 12pm-8pm

Registration and Load In times:

Thursday: 12pm-10pm Friday 8am-2pm

• For ARTISTS and VENDORS: All booths must be set up by 2pm on Friday April 15th. No permits will be issued for artists if your booth is not set up before 12pm on Friday, April 15th.

- Registration: Everyone must enter through the main front entrance and check in at the registration table prior to setting up your booth. YOU CANNOT CHECK IN YOUR WHOLE GROUP, each person must individually check in and fill out the required paperwork in order to receive a wristband and lanyard.
- Load In: You do not have to load your things in at the front of the expo if you have a lot of stuff. You may use the back entrance (after you check in) and pull your car right up to the doors and load in there. We have people set up in the back to help you load your things in or watch your stuff while you load it in so that you may leave your car.
- Load In for Heavy Freight: Load in for heavy freight can begin as soon as Wednesday, April 10th at 8am. If you have a freight that needs to be shipped, we have already approved the storage of this freight and you may go ahead and schedule this delivery at the address provided above (the Cumberland County Crown Expo). Make sure you address it to: Cumberland County Crown Expo ATTN: THE ALL AMERICAN TATTOO CONVENTION
- Parking: It looks like there is plenty of parking in the load in area, but this IS NOT a parking lot for us to use, it is for load in purposes only. After load in you will park in the east parking lot. (Where you registered at the front of the expo).
- Health Department: Remember that if you are an artist, the health department will be checking your credentials, that are located in your packet, in order for you to tattoo. All of your permitting paperwork has been filled out for you. North Carolina has guidelines on how your booth has to be set up. I have attached a copy to this email and there will also be a copy in your packet at registration. There is nothing else you need to do to be prepared to tattoo, except for booth inspection after you have already arrived. THE NUMBER ONE REASON WHY ARTIST DO NOT RECEIVE A PERMIT IS THEY DO NOT HAVE A STERILE DRESSING LAYING OUT. Please have one.
- Handwashing Station: We have built a custom 35 sink hand washing station in the expo. There is a huge banner hanging from the ceiling that says HAND WASHING STATION. Please Please Please use it!

- VIP AREA: Located at the back of the expo, you will see a large banner hanging that says VIP. This is our VIP artist lounge. GO THERE LOL
- **Thermofax Area:** Located at the front of the expo is our thermofax area/booth.

PROVIDED FOR ARTIST:

- One sharps container per artist
- Distilled Water
- Paper Towels
- Each artist will receive a wristband and lanyard
- Two tables
- Four chairs (we may have extra, but not guaranteed)
- Electricity
- Trash bin and bag
- Fully draped booth
- If you need banner hooks, you may get them at the registration table.

HELPER PASSES:

 If you need a pass/wristband for your assistant or "helper", you may purchase them at the registration table at the time of check in for \$25.

PROVIDED FOR VENDOR:

- Each vendor will receive a wristband and lanyard
- Two tables
- Four chairs (we may have extra, but not guaranteed)
- Electricity
- Trash bin and bag
- Fully draped booth

REMEMBER to bring the following supplies:

lights

- extension cords/power strips
- barrier products/machine bags/clip cord sleeves/sandwich bags
- aftercare instructions
- banners
- portfolios/flash books
- surface disinfectant (i.e. Matacide/Envirocide)
- arm rests
- gloves
- green soap
- bandages, dental cloth, etc.
- Sterile dressing is required under NC Health Dept regulation (this is the one thing that our artists do not get permitted for, please have a sterile dressing laying out when they come around for inspections).
- Under no circumstances will metal tubes be allowed, ALL tubes must be disposable.

HOTEL ROOM:

We have found over the years that sites like Expedia, hotels.com etc end up being cheaper than any group rate we have acquired. The following is a list of hotels in the area. Please also check out local AirBNB's.

- Ramada Plaza
 - https://goo.gl/maps/gvKGpzTXFcaxXXgw9
- Baymont Inn (same hotel as Ramada, I know, weird)
 - https://goo.gl/maps/tHwMRr7ithf59Qye8
- Home 2 Suites
 - https://goo.gl/maps/OLRMGAs7UMMJ3kfHA
- Embassy Suites
 - https://goo.gl/maps/vdhowic52xrWUJPG7

RANDOMNESS:

Please be ready and at your booth promptly at 12 noon every day.
We have worked long and hard for this convention, please show respect and be on time.

- **Please do NOT break down early any night.** We expect each artist to be courteous to those coming on Sunday by giving them the time to admire your work.
- **DO NOT** break down your booth early Sunday until the event has completely ended. It is very disrespectful to the attendees and fellow artists at the convention to break your booth down early.
- Artists will be allowed to work late (up to an hour after closing) to finish up tattoos IN PROGRESS, permitting only the artist and client are present for the duration of the session. Sunday excluded.
- Artists must have all clients thoroughly read and fill out and sign all release/consent forms provided by you.
- Attending artists/ vendors, you are required to collect and remit your own sales tax, if applicable.
- All artists must sign Liability Release Form at check in.

Tattoo Contests: Tattoo contests will take place on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday. All contests are listed on our website.

We hope you have an amazing weekend, and if you have any questions at all please do not hesitate to call or email!

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