

Earthdance COVID-19 Protocols

Community Events

We are very excited about our upcoming event and are confident that we will be able to proceed as planned while adapting to the shifting COVID landscape in MA. We are invested in creating a container with a good balance between safety and freedom and this can only happen if we all contribute. We thus ask everyone to come with a clear sense of our COVID guidelines.

Because of various health, safety and state liability issues the event is for fully vaccinated individuals only.

By registering for this event you agree to adhere to all of the following points:

Pre-event

- We strongly advise everyone to get a PCR **or** Rapid Antigen test 5-7 days before the beginning of the event as a first step towards knowing that you will be able to attend. Here are a few free local testing sites:
 - Amherst, MA <https://www.umass.edu/coronavirus/coronavirus/covid-19-testing>
 - Greenfield, MA <https://www.cic-health.com/stopthespread>
 - find one close to you: <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/find-a-covid-19-test>
- After this first test, and in the 5-7 days before arriving, we are asking everyone to minimize their social contacts to direct family, work relations and others in their bubble. We ask that you take extra caution to avoid exposure and recommend choices such as wearing a well fitted mask in this critical *pre-event* window.
- **Everyone must take 2 Rapid COVID Tests** on site which will be available at Earthdance and *an amount of \$20 will be added to your registration fee.*
- Upon arrival and before entering any buildings you must take the first Rapid Test
- The second test will be administered collectively on day three of the event.
- Please **DO NOT** attend if you have any symptoms of illness in the week leading up to your arrival.
- A Waiver of Liability and Assumption of the Risk Relating to COVID-19 will be required. Everyone must sign it as part of the online registration process.
- **Please bring a well fitting face mask that covers your nose and mouth in case you need it.**

During the event

- If anyone tests positive they will first be retested in case of a false positive. If positive again, they will be required to leave the event immediately **by their own means**. Please take this into consideration if you are ride sharing or using public transportation. Earthdance does not have any transportation assistance available.

- If during the festival anyone acquires symptoms they will also be asked to perform an additional Rapid Test.
- If a positive case is reported this person will need to leave the premises immediately and the event will continue after all remaining participants take an additional Rapid Test.
 - In this case participants will be required to test on a daily basis.
 - Extra tests can be purchased on-site if this happens
- On-site participants must remain onsite for the duration of the event except in the case of an emergency in which case they should contact an organizer before traveling off-site to evaluate if reentry later on is possible.
- No normal commuter option / staying off campus (i.e. outside of Nine Mountain or Earthdance lands) is being offered. A limited number of exceptions might be made to allow people under certain circumstances to commute off-site and this will be dealt with on a case to case basis and decided in advance of the event. Any person requesting this must assure the integrity of the event bubble.
- The use of masks in common spaces and the studios is permitted and not mandatory
 - In the unlikely event of the Town of Plainfield implementing a mask mandate for the dates of the event we would modify this norm to follow their mandate.

Post Event

- If you develop symptoms within 5 days after completion of the event you must get a Rapid Test ASAP and contact Earthdance if the result is positive: Contact@Earthdance.net. Earthdance will email participants in case a participant contacts us with a positive test result within 5 days after the event.
- We recommend if you will be in contact with high risk populations directly after the event that you take an additional Rapid Test upon departure from Earthdance.

We know that there is a wide spectrum of ways we each are dealing with the pandemic and realize that the above requirements could give you either ease or be a cause for frustration. In any case, this is what we ask in order for you to join this container. There can be no exceptions and if any of these feel like they are not something you can agree to at this time, we ask that you not attend.