
You may use this form to apply for a permit to perform within the Alpena Downtown Development Authority (DDA). *If you have been approved to use dangerous materials in your act, you will also need liability insurance.* If you are under 18 years of age your parent or guardian must complete and sign the parental waiver on this form before you can obtain a permit. Each member of a group act must submit a separate application and display his/her own permit while performing. Group permits are not available. The DDA reserves all rights to not grant a license to any individual.

Program Overview

As a licensed downtown street performer, you are able to perform:

- Between the hours of 10 am and 10 pm
- On any city-owned sidewalk, plaza, park, or public place

You may not:

- Block the entrance to any business, building, or dining area
- Play within fifty feet of a school, hospital, funeral home, court house, or other street performer
- Use amplified sound between the hours of 10 am- 5 pm
- Use any profane or obscene language or acts

If you are playing near a business, you must check in with them to make sure they are okay with you performing.

Playing on Friday Nights

Lee Kitzman and Chris “Crown” Lawrence are responsible for scheduling performers to play on Friday nights during the summer months from 6-8pm. If you are not scheduled by them to play on Friday evenings, you are not permitted to perform at their designated locations. *Please contact Chris at 989-464-5046 with any questions about the program or to sign up to perform on Friday nights.*

How to become a Downtown Street Performer:

- Fill out the following application.
- Submit this form and permit fee (\$10) to the Alpena DDA Office (124 E. Chisholm St).
- Pick up your official performer permit from the Alpena DDA Office.

Applicant Details

First & Last Name _____

Phone Number _____

Home Address _____

Mailing Address (if different from home address) _____

Permit Details

Are you renewing a permit or applying for a new permit? New Renewal

Amplified Sound

Do you plan on using battery powered amplification? Yes No

NOTE: You are not able to use amplified sound between the hours of 10 am- 5 pm. If your performance becomes a nuisance to surrounding businesses, your permit will be revoked.

Performance Description

Please select the type of performance by circling below:

Musical Act Dance Theatrical Other

Please describe your act:

Dangerous Act: *Please note, performances with flames or fireworks are excluded unless you have a written authorization from the City of Alpena Fire Marshal setting forth the conditions of authorization for the performance. Performances with knives, daggers, swords, and like sharp instruments are excluded unless written authorization is first obtained from the City of Alpena Police Department setting the conditions of authorization.*

Application Submission

You must submit the completed application to the Alpena DDA (124 E. Chisholm St). or to Eagle Supply (319 W. Chisholm St). with a \$10 fee in order to receive a permit. If the requirements for a Street Performance permit are met, we will issue you a permit to display while you are performing. For further information regarding your application please contact us by calling 989-356-6422.

I, the undersigned, declare as follows:

- I know I am only able to perform between the times of 10 AM and 10 PM all days of the week on city owned or operated sidewalks, plazas, parks and other public places (excluding vehicular areas in streets and parking lots).
- I am aware that I am not allowed to play within fifty feet of a school, hospital, funeral home, court house, or other street performer (unless playing together).
- I will not interfere with the flow of pedestrian traffic at a crosswalk, building entrance, private patio, curb cut or entrance into an encroachment area for dining.
- I will submit a permit application *and* receive approval at least 24 hours prior to the first street performance.
- I will comply with the City's noise ordinance.
- I will not use amplified sound between the hours of 10 am- 10 pm.
- I understand that if my performance becomes a nuisance to surrounding businesses, my permit may be revoked.
- I know I am responsible for all needed equipment, special needs, parking, set-up, etc.
- I will only accept donations from the public when my Alpena DDA Street Performance Permit is obtained and is on display.
- I am aware that my permit will expire **May 15, 2026** (annual permits start on May 16 of each year).
- I know that the use of profane, indecent, abusive or threatening language or behavior constitutes acts of harassment against the public peace will result in denial or revocation of a permit.
- I am aware that I need to obtain a business license to sell merchandise related to my performance.
- I will display my Alpena DDA Street Performance Permit in a prominent position close to where I am performing at all times. I will make my Permit available for inspection by an authorized City of Alpena Official upon request and follow any lawful direction issued by that officer.
- I will not transfer this Permit to any other person.
- I agree that this Permit does not give me sole use or reservation of a site.
- I will use designated sites in restricted areas in accordance with the conditions attached to their use and contained in the City of Alpena.
- I will not create a threat to public safety, whether real or perceived.
- I will notify the Alpena DDA if my personal details or my performance changes to include the use of any dangerous implements not specifically listed in the "Assessment of Competency in Dangerous Performance" section of this form (if applicable).
- I have read the City of Alpena Municipal Code, Article VI, Section 18:171-177 and agree to be bound by the conditions contained in the Policy.

Sign here: _____

Date: _____

Parental/Guardian Consent Details (if applicant is under 18)

I (please print name) _____ of (please print address)

hereby consent to my child/ward (please print name) _____

performing as a street performer within the Alpena Downtown Development Authority.

I understand that:

1. The Alpena DDA provides no supervision of Street Performers under the age of 18 years; and
2. Street Performers under the age of 18 are subject to the Alpena DDA Street Performance Policy.

Parent/ Guardian Name (please print): _____

Parent/Guardian Signature: _____

Date: _____

Proof of Identity

You must provide proof of your identity and proof of identity of your parent/guardian if you are less than 18 years old.

Driver's License Number (parent/guardian) _____