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FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE

Volunteers Needed for Long's Park Art & Craft Festival This Labor Day Weekend.

LANCASTER, PA -- Volunteers are needed for a variety of tasks this Labor Day weekend at the 31st annual Long's Park Art & Craft Festival. Three hour assignments are open for setup Thursday, September 3, 2009, as well as throughout the show which runs Friday through Monday, September 4 to 7.

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Festival hours are 10 am to 6 pm, closing at 5 pm Monday, September 7.

Volunteers will receive free admission to the fine art and craft festival and preferred parking. They will also have an opportunity to purchase Long's Park commemorative T-shirts at significantly discounted prices.

A picnic will be hosted at Long's Park on Wednesday, August 26 from 5:30 to 7:30 pm for volunteers. This picnic offers volunteers an opportunity to meet others who will be helping out at the Festival and learn more about the various activities. Picnic attendance is not required to assist Labor Day weekend.

Workers are sought for a number of functions, including assisting in the Market Square area with T-shirt and poster sales, staffing booths while exhibitors take short breaks, taking tickets, helping with handicapped parking, transporting supplies around the show and tearing down after the Festival closes.

"Volunteers tell us that this is one of their favorite places to help," said Beverly Coggan Sharir, chair of the volunteer committee. "They're the lifeblood of this event, and their work is greatly appreciated. Our volunteer picnic is just one of the ways we show our thanks."

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Interested individuals are asked to contact the Long's Park Amphitheater Foundation by calling (717) 735-8883 or emailing the Foundation at info@longspark.org.

The Long's Park Art & Craft Festival is one of America's leading fine art and craft shows. The event is expected to attract some 20,000 guests from throughout the mid-Atlantic region. Presented by the Long's Park Amphitheater Foundation and its volunteer board, the festival serves as the major funding source for the Long's Park Summer Music Series and its 13-week season of free music.

Long's Park is located at 1441 Harrisburg Pike, just off Route 30 at the Park City Center in Lancaster.