



Dear Vashon Park District Board,

I'm writing to request the use of a portable fire pit at the Village Green on April 28th 2018 when Vashon Wilderness Program will host its annual Spring Feast & Bizarre Bazaar.

## Background

Since 2007, Vashon Wilderness Program has helped more than 2500 people of all ages connect with nature, themselves, and each other through our renowned Coyote Mentoring programs, trainings, and seasonal celebrations.

Each year, we host a free, public event called the Spring Feast & Bizarre Bazaar. It's a wonderful, family friendly gathering to celebrate new spring growth and features our famous silent trading market in which attendees bring hand-made, nature inspired goods for trade. Families set up blankets on the grass in one large circle and display their wares.

This year, we are thrilled hold our event to the heart of Vashon Town, and specifically at the Village Green, which is traditionally home to the Farmer's Market and is an anchor for community gatherings.

## Request for Use of Fire Pit

We would like to have a small fire in a portable fire pit to help enliven our community event with the warmth and symbolism of gathering around a hearth.

VWP would provide a portable, round, metal pit approximately 2 feet in dimension, and all fire materials. An experienced VWP staff member will tend the fire 100% of the time, and make sure that we are in compliance with the safety procedures as outlined in the attached Burn Permit, including proper clearance, not leaving the fire unattended, maintaining an adequate water source to put out the fire, and extinguishing the fire completely when done. VWP will safely dispose of all ashes in a metal garbage can that is transported off the premises, and will remove all equipment from the space. We always leave a space better than we find it!

Thank you for your consideration. Please let me know if the Park District has additional needs and requirements in order to grant this request.

Kindly,

Stacey Hinden

**Executive Director**