

## Burning Man Portland Volunteer Complimentary Ticket Policy

Thank you for your interest in our events. Our events are 100% volunteer operated, and could not function without hard working volunteers like you!

### **\*\*Update\*\***

Due to inflation and the production costs of the event, the value of a SOAK ticket has raised. Therefore, a volunteer will be required to complete additional hours to qualify for one SOAK ticket in 2015.

### 2015 Events:

#### **SOAK\***

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#### **General and Departmental Volunteers**

Gift tickets are awarded to volunteers who make a significant efforts towards the operation of the event. Volunteers must work the equivalent of **12 hours the year prior (2014) to qualify for a ticket in 2015**. One ticket per volunteer is awarded. Crew Leads/Departmental Management will notify each qualifying volunteer prior to the end of the event ticketing schedule. If you are not notified of being granted a gift ticket, you did not receive one. Exceptions (weekend work parties, effigy build crew, etc.) will be made at the discretion of the Leads and Regional Contacts.

One ticket per volunteer will be awarded. Additional comps and/or multiple gift tickets are not considered. Volunteer efforts that go above and beyond (multiple departments) will be recognized in another fashion.

### 2013 & 2014 Events:

#### **SOAK\***

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#### **General and Departmental Volunteers**

Gift tickets are awarded to volunteers who make a significant efforts towards the operation of the event. Volunteers must work the equivalent of **9 hours the year prior (2013) to qualify for a ticket in 2014**. One ticket per volunteer is awarded. Crew Leads/Departmental Management will notify each qualifying volunteer prior to the end of the event ticketing schedule. If you are not notified of being granted a gift ticket, you did not receive one. Exceptions (weekend work parties, effigy build crew, etc.) will be made at the discretion of the Leads and Regional Contacts.

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#### **DECOMPRESSION**

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#### **General and Departmental Volunteers**

Gift tickets are awarded to volunteers who make a significant efforts towards the operation of the event. Volunteers must be scheduled for at least one three hour shift prior to, or, at BurnOut (Decom). One ticket per volunteer is awarded for **the current year's** event. Awards are ultimately determined at the discretion of the Crew Leads/Departmental Management. Leads will notify each qualifying volunteer prior to the event. Volunteers will have the option of a direct distribution ticket (physical ticket in hand) or, in special circumstances, to have their name added to the "will call" list.

*Again - you must be pre-registered for a shift or a work party/set up to be eligible for a gift ticket. Choosing to not show up to your shift or duties may cause consequences to the operation of the event and your ability to participate as a volunteer at future events.*

Additional comps and/or multiple gift tickets are not considered. Volunteer efforts that go above and beyond (multiple departments) will be recognized in another fashion.

## Definitions:

### Award Year (SOAK\* Tickets)

Award year is defined as the event held the **following year** after the event was actually worked. For example, if you worked and made a significant effort at SOAK 2011, then you will be awarded a ticket for SOAK 2012. Special requests such as skipping the award year (not attending) or transferring tickets may be made to [portland@burningman.com](mailto:portland@burningman.com).

### Significant Effort

- “Rockstar volunteers”
- Worked the equivalent of 9 hours during the event (department specific)
- Lead/Co-Lead Departmental Staff
- “Came out of the woodwork and helped out the entire time” volunteers
- “Brought it” at on-site work parties
- Worked several (dependent on department-specific requirements) local or on-site work parties pre-event

## Gift Ticket Information:

### Registration

Volunteers with the intent of working during an event year (January through December) may register to volunteer using the online Volunteer Registration Form for that year. Starting in 2014, participating volunteers will be asked to provide a mailing address at registration so that qualifying volunteers can have their ticket mailed to them pre-event.

<http://bmpdx.com/volunteer>

### Requesting Gift Tickets

Gift ticket requests should be requested directly to Lead/Departmental Management. If you are uncertain who to make the request to, send your request directly to the Regional Contacts at [portland@burningman.com](mailto:portland@burningman.com). Significant volunteer effort must be established at time of request. You will be notified when you have been approved for a gift ticket.

### Receiving Gift Tickets

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If you were *not* notified of gift ticket approval prior to the start of SOAK\* or DECOMPRESSION, you do not have a gift ticket. Ticket confirmation can be acquired from Lead/Department Management a Regional Contact Tickets are typically directly distributed in person or via mail. Under special circumstances, you may have the option of being added to a “will call list”. You must bring your ID to the event. It is the volunteer’s responsibility to verify with Lead/Departmental Management that you/they have been added to the “will call” list.

### Special Circumstances

Requests for special circumstances can be made to [portland@burningman.com](mailto:portland@burningman.com) up to two weeks prior to the event. *Please note, a request does not guarantee a gift ticket.*

### Early Arrival

Gift tickets do not guarantee early arrival into the events. Please confirm with your Lead/Departmental Management whether or not you are required to be present for early arrival.