

## Sporeprint Infoshop Space Use Request Information

Sporeprint Infoshop [SPI] is excited to provide space and opportunities for diverse activities in the community. We desire to offer our resources and space for people and organizations whose events and goals are consistent with our Mission and Oppression Statements. In addition, listed below are our Building Use Guidelines. To ensure that everyone's experience at SPI is positive, we ask that you and/or your group please honor these Principles.

The Sporeprint Infoshop is a non-hierarchical, volunteer-run, not-for-profit social center. This is a safe space for independent thinking, face-to-face communication, skill sharing, community-building projects, and the distribution of alternative media to further social, political, and environmental consciousness.

### Structure

Our collective is a non-hierarchical, consensus-based group in which all efforts to organize, maintain, and operate the resource center are completely voluntary. Monetary donations directly finance upkeep, equipment, resource, and acquisition costs. All materials in the infoshop will be publicly shared.

### Safe Space

In order to work together in dismantling oppression within our culture and ourselves, we must acknowledge that we have been on both ends of privilege and oppression, and that only by supporting and listening to each other can we build healthy individuals and communities. We are all highly capable learners and teachers – and have to be – for us to create alternatives to the culture of domination. The Sporeprint Infoshop is a safe space where we are all learning to rid ourselves of that oppression. Through self-awareness and humility we can interact in radically different ways, free of language and behavior that values any person or people over another.

### Face-to-Face Communication

Dialogue and conversation are crucial to personal and social growth. Sporeprint intentionally provides space that offers an atmosphere conducive to public meetings and chance interaction.

### Community-Building Projects

The infoshop will serve as common ground for individuals to launch community based and initiated projects. The intention is to provide space for these projects to empower participants and to strengthen their relationships with friends and neighbors.

### Distribution of Alternative Media

The infoshop distributes alternative media, including 'zines, community newsletters and other independent literature that challenges the status quo, is not often discussed or is hard to find. This is our way of encouraging independent thinking and alternatives to mass media.

## Building Use Policy

### Liaison

Groups or people approved to hold events at SPI need to provide a contact person, as well as a SPI liaison (someone in the SPI collective who will be responsible for the space in preparation and during the event). The SPI liaison communicates SPI needs and coordinates with the contact person for things like building access and lock up, equipment needs, and cleaning up.

### Costs

Because we want to make events and activities at SPI as accessible as possible, we encourage that groups or people provide their activities not-for-profit or free, and that no one be turned away for lack of money. Donations for SPI may be promoted at the end of the activity. For groups or people who charge for their events, there is a recommended donation of 10-15%. These donations assist SPI in paying rent and utilities and in acquiring resources.

### Cleaning

People using SPI should return it to the condition prior to the event. Cleaning should include putting away equipment, picking up or recycling waste, sweeping and returning furniture to its previous arrangement.

### Dates, Times, Promotions

Space in SPI is provided on a first-come first-serve basis. If one group or type of event is dominating the space- then we will try to give priority to others to encourage a variety of activities and voices.

It is desired that activities at SPI be available to the community, and that they are promoted by the group or person putting it on in addition to SPI and the calendar. Note that events approved before the 25th of each month will be put on the next month's print calendar – events after the 25th can only be posted on our online and in-shop calendars. Otherwise, promotion is the responsibility of the organizing group.

If you want to hold an event on short notice, please allow time for us to review your application, which is done during collective meetings on Sundays. Please look at the events calendar online and/or in the shop to assure that your requested time is not already being used.

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Please return to SPI during shop hours or email it to [info@sporeprint.info](mailto:info@sporeprint.info) with “[Space Request]” in the subject.

Date Submitted (Leave Blank):

Organization:

Contact Person:

Email:

Phone:

Desired Date of Event (multiple options help):

Desired Time of Event (multiple options help):

Description of Organization (if applicable):

Description of Event:

How is this relevant to the SPI Mission?

Needs from SPI (equipment etc.):

Can your event function during ‘open shop’ hours or do you need a closed shop? Will money be collected at this event? If so, will money be donated to SPI?

Anything Else?

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Date Submitted: (A volunteer will fill this in)

Organization (if applicable): N/A

Contact Person: Bobo Bobblehead

Email: [SporeprintIs@251East5thAve.com](mailto:SporeprintIs@251East5thAve.com)

Phone: 999-999-9999

Desired Date of Event: 10/14/2008, 10/15/2008, or 10/21/2008

Desired Time of Event: 7:00 pm -9:00pm or 6-8pm on 10/21

Description of Organization (if applicable):

I'm not representing an organization for this event

Description of Event:

I would like to hold a discussion circle about how individuals experience the strains of modern capitalism. We would share stories about how we have dealt with and can resist consumption-based culture. I would also like to use this discussion to see if participants are interested in forming a network through which we could share resources, material and otherwise. I will supplement the talk with a zine entitled “Escaping the Machine” about how industrial capitalism is causing us to work more, relax less and destroying the health of the planet and its species.

How is this relevant to the SPI Mission?

I think this discussion addresses the necessity for DIY culture and how working together can ease the strains of the consumption-based culture. Plus we're getting people together to talk and learn about this stuff, awesome!

Needs from SPI (equipment etc.):

Just a place to sit in a circle, I will bring some fruit and tea.

Can your event function during ‘open shop’ hours or do you need a closed shop?

Our event will just be talking so I feel that we could hold it during shop hours

(\*If, for example, your event was expecting 20 people, you might not be able to have it during shop hours due to the size/noise etc)

Will money be collected at this event? If so, will money be donated to SPI?

No money will be required, but I may ask a dollar donation for copies of the zine. I won't be profiting

(Or, “Yes, I'll be asking for \$5 donations which will go to the printing costs, and to a commissary fund that I send to political prisoners. I will give 10% of that to the shop, Horay!”)

Anything Else?

If this goes well I might like to make it a monthly event.