

Land Rush on Re-Settlement Day



We allow guests to the Kerrville Folk Festival an opportunity to come out to the Ranch and claim or set up their campsites as early as the Sunday prior to the first day of the festival. In 2011, you can set up your camp anytime after 10 AM on May 22. All you have to do is pay the normal “offseason” camping fees for the dates between when you set up and the beginning of the festival (Thursday, May 26). All details are below.

In order to make this as smooth a process as possible, we have what is called **Land Rush / Settlement Day**. The Land Rush actually takes place at 10 AM on Sunday, May 22 prior to which, no one is able enter the campgrounds to set up their camp. Here is the Land Rush process:

- ✍ Starting at noon on May 20, the Friday before Land Rush, people will begin lining up their vehicles in the festival parking lot on the south end of the ranch. Most people set up tents by their vehicles and camp in the parking lot for the weekend.
- ✍ You will need to purchase a “stake” that will be used to claim or mark your camping spot once the campground is opened. A stake will be needed for **each** tent or canopy spot you wish to claim (one stake is good for roughly a 10’ x 10’ area). Vehicles or tow-behind trailers close to 20ft. long will be subject to purchasing 2 stakes for their land claim.
- ✍ A stake cost \$5 per night from Sunday until the date of your earliest ticket (\$20 if you are holding a Day 1 Ticket, \$25 if you are holding a Day 2 Ticket, etc) and will be sold in the Land Rush line on Friday and Saturday afternoon (by a roving crew with a clipboard and a bucket of stakes) and at “Staff Central” (the earthen building by the Festival office) from 8 - 10 AM on Sunday, May 22. **YOU MUST HAVE FESTIVAL TICKETS IN WILL CALL OR IN HAND FOR THE FIRST WEEKEND OF THE FESTIVAL IN ORDER TO PURCHASE A STAKE AND/OR PARTICIPATE IN LAND RUSH!**
- ✍ At 10 AM on Sunday, May 22 the horn will sound and the parade of vehicles will start entering the campgrounds in the order in which they were lined up in the parking lot...the **RESETTLEMENT BEGINS!** You then find your spot(s) and mark it with your stake. You can then either set up your camp and stay or you may choose to put down a tarp with your stake and come back for the weekend.
- ✍ If you plan to utilize an electrical outlet, please purchase your electrical permit immediately at the Ranch Central Office or the VIP table next to the Office.

Please keep in mind that there are a FEW “established” campsites throughout the campgrounds who’s placement may take (reasonable) priority over others. We ask that everyone try to work together to keep Land Rush as fair and equitable a process as possible, while at the same time respecting the tradition and historical significance of these established camps.*

**Just because a group has given themselves a name and have been camping in the same spot for a few years does not make them an “established” camp. By “established” we mean those major music campsites that have been around for decades. Only five or six come to mind.*