



# City of Deadwood Special Event Permit Application and Facility Use Agreement for

Wild Bill Bar and Old West Alive!/Talmarc Film Productions, LLC

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## Instructions:

To apply for a Special Event Permit, please read the Special Event Permit Application Instructions and then complete this application. Submit your application, including required attachments, no later than forty-five (45) days before your event. Facility Use Agreements should also be completed at this time (if applicable).



## APPLICANT AND SPONSORING ORGANIZATION INFORMATION

Commercial (for profit)

Noncommercial (nonprofit)

Sponsoring Organization: Wild Bill Bar and Talmarc Film Productions, LLC

Chief Officer of Organization (NAME): Marguerite Olesen and Thadd Turner

Applicant (NAME): Margi Olesen & Thadd Turner Business Phone: (Margi (605) 430-7726)  
(Thadd (520) 906-9399)

Address: 624 Main Street, Deadwood, SD 57732  
(city) (state) (zip code)

Daytime phone: (605 - 430 - 0889) Evening Phone: (605 430-7726) Fax #: (        )

Please list any **professional event organizer** or **event service provider** hired by you that is authorized to work on your behalf to produce this event.

Name: Thadd Turner -- Old West Alive / Talmarc Film Productions, LLC www.talmarcfilms.com

Address: 624 Main Street, Deadwood, SD 57732  
(city) (state) (zip code)

Contact person "on site" day of event or facility use Thadd Turner Pager/Cell #: (520) 906-9399

**(Note:** This person must be in attendance for the duration of the event and immediately available to city officials)

**REQUIRED:** Attach a written communication from the Chief Officer of the organization which authorizes the applicant or professional event organizer to apply for this Special Event Permit on their behalf.

## FEES / PROCEEDS / REPORTING

NO YES

Is your organization a "Tax Exempt, nonprofit" organization? If **YES**, you must attach a copy of your IRS 501C Tax Exemption Letter to this Special Event Permit application (providing proof and certifying your current tax exempt, nonprofit status).

Are admission, entry, vendor or participant fees required? If **YES**, please explain the purpose and provide amount(s):

No fees - 150th anniversary historical reenactment  
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**The City of Deadwood has a ticket surcharge, which is set and amended by resolution.**

## OVERALL EVENT DESCRIPTION:

### ROUTE MAP/ SITE DIAGRAM/ SANITATION

Please provide a **detailed description** of your proposed event. Include details regarding any components of your event such as use of vehicles, animals, rides or any other pertinent information about the event:

150th reenactment of Wild Bill Hickok death to be held in one tight location approximately 15' x 15' feet in the parking area along side main street curb in front of the Wild Bill Bar, 624 Main Street, Deadwood. There will be six participants -- four seated at a poker table sitting in stools playing cards -- Wild Bill, Carl Mann co-owner of the No 10 saloon, Charlie Rich, who was sitting in Wild Bill's favorite chair with the back to the wall, and Captain William Massie, a riverboat captain, who was shot with the same projectile that killed Wild Bill, after exiting his head -- Also, Jack McCall who shot Wild Bill, and bartender George Shingle who tried to help Wild Bill after the shooting -- six total characters.

Event will take approximately 25 minutes or less starting at 1pm each day and ending by 1:30pm. Parking on the street will be available after 2pm, when tables and chairs are removed and crowd disperses. Event director is author and film maker Thadd Turner who played Wild Bill in the same location for the 125th anniversary event held in 2021.

Thadd released his non-fiction biography book "Wild Bill Hickok: Deadwood City End of Trail" in 2001, one of the most complete and comprehensive books about early Deadwood 1876 and Wild Bill's time and death in Deadwood, less than 30 days. Thadd owns Talmarc Film Productions, LLC -- [www.talmarcfilms.com/books](http://www.talmarcfilms.com/books) -- and has written seven books about Wild Bill, including four children's illustrated books in a Wild Bill series that have won awards.

There will only be one live gunshot each day, blank black powder, the gun will be inspected by Thadd Turner, who has served as gun stunt coordinator on several films and documentaries, and Kevin Empey retired law enforcement Sheriff, playing Captain Massie, before the event to make sure there is not a live load in the black powder cylinder -- we are not using cartridges. We would like to close off the parking in front of the Wild Bill Bar at 8am each morning to keep the curb area clear and safe, then open it back up at 2pm each day.

### OVERALL EVENT / FACILITIES RENTAL DESCRIPTION (CONTINUED)

- | NO                                  | YES                                 |  |
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| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Does the event involve the sale or use of alcoholic beverages? If <b>YES</b> , please provide your liquor liability insurance information to the last page of this application.  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Will Items or services be sold at the event? If <b>YES</b> , please describe: _____<br>_____<br>_____  |
| <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | <input type="checkbox"/>            | Does this event involve a moving route of any kind along streets, sidewalks, or highways? If <b>YES</b> , attach a detailed map of your proposed route, indicating the direction of travel and provide written narrative to explain your route. If the route involves state highways, please click the link below to submit a SD DOT Permit to Occupy Right-of-Way.<br><a href="https://www.state.sd.us/eforms/secure/eforms/S_E0903v1_PermitToOccupyROW.pdf">https://www.state.sd.us/eforms/secure/eforms/S_E0903v1_PermitToOccupyROW.pdf</a> |
| <input type="checkbox"/>            | <input checked="" type="checkbox"/> | Does this event involve a fixed venue site? If <b>YES</b> , attach a detailed site map showing all street impacted by the event. <u>NOTE - Event to be held in one small location 10' x 10' at parking curb in front of Wild Bill Bar</u>  |



Describe your plan for clean-up and removal of waste and garbage during and after the event or use of facility: No food or alcohol served, will use usual trash containers in place.

Other Related Event Components not covered above. Thadd Turner book signing in front of Wild Bill Bar prior and after each event.

### **SAFETY / SECURITY / ACCESSIBILITY**

Please describe your procedures for both **Crowd Control** and **Internal Security**: \_\_\_\_\_  
Will have two or three 'safety' individuals watching to make sure no one approaches reenactment site.

Please describe your Accessibility Plan for access at your event by individuals with disabilities: \_\_\_\_\_  
Will use existing handicap access provided by City on Main Street and surrounding areas.

**REQUIRED: It is the applicant's responsibility to comply with all City, County, State and Federal Disability Access Requirements applicable to this event.**

NO      YES  
            NO --Have you hired any Professional Security organization to handle security arrangements for this event? If **YES**, please list:

Security Organization: NONE

Security Organization Address: NONE \_\_\_\_\_  
(city) (state) (zip code)

Security Director (Name): Thadd Turner Business phone: 520-906-9399

NO      YES  
            Is this a night event? If **YES**, please state how the event and surrounding area will be illuminated to ensure the safety of the participants and spectators: NO

Please indicate what arrangements you have made for providing **First Aid Staffing and Equipment**?

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Ambulance(s)– How provided? 911 call

Number \_\_\_\_\_ Emergency Medical Technicians– How provided? 911 call

APPLICANT specifically acknowledges and agrees that it shall be solely responsible for any damage to personal property located in or stored in or upon DEADWOOD's property pursuant to the activity for which approval is being sought and that DEADWOOD shall not be responsible for any damage or loss to or of APPLICANT's property which results from any cause or reason with regard to personal property owned by APPLICANT stored or located on DEADWOOD's property pursuant to approval of the activity for which approval is being sought herein.

Acknowledge acceptance with initial: TT \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT agrees to hold DEADWOOD harmless and indemnify DEADWOOD from any sums of money which DEADWOOD might have to pay to any person as a result of property damage, personal injury or death resulting from use of City property pursuant to approval of the activity for which approval is being sought herein.

Acknowledge acceptance with initial: TT \_\_\_\_\_

### PARKING PLAN / SHUTTLE PLAN / MITIGATION OF IMPACT

Please describe your plans to notify all residents, businesses and churches impacted by the event: \_\_\_\_\_

Will promote event in local chamber of commerce and post sign in front of Wild Bill Bar \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

### ENTERTAINMENT / ATTRACTIONS / RELATED EVENT ACTIVITIES

NO YES

Are there any **musical entertainment** features related to your event or facilities rental? If **YES**, please state the number of bands and type of music.

Number of Stages: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Bands: \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Music: \_\_\_\_\_

Will **sound amplification** be used? If **YES**, please indicate: Start Time 1pm \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM – Finish Time: 1:30pm \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

Will **sound check** be conducted prior to the event? If **YES**, please indicate: Start Time: \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM – Finish Time: \_\_\_\_\_ AM / PM

Please describe the sound equipment that will be used for your event: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Will any fireworks, rockets or other pyrotechnics be used? If **YES**, please attach a copy of your permit (issued by the State Fire Marshall's office) to this application.

Are any signs, banners, decorations or special lighting be used? (**Special Events recognized by The City of Deadwood get approved by Resolution annually in January**) (If **YES**, please describe: \_\_\_\_\_

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## PROMOTION/ADVERTISING/MARKETING/INFORMATION

NO YES Will this event be promoted, advertised or marketed in any manner? If **YES**, please describe:

Local newspapers, local tv news stations

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Will there be any live media coverage during your event? If **YES**, please explain:  
Yes, local tv news stations and live filming

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Refer all event public inquiries and / or media inquiries for this event

to: NAME: Thadd Turner / Marguerite Olesen PHONE: 520-906-9399 / 605-430-7726

## INSURANCE REQUIREMENTS

**REQUIRED:** Insurance for your event will be required before final permit approval. Name of Insurance Company: TO BE PROVIDED

Agent's Name: TBP

Agent's Business Phone: ( )

Policy Number: Policy Type:

Agent's Address: (city) (state) (zip code)

For final permit approval, you will need commercial general liability insurance that names "the City of Deadwood, its officers, employees and agents" as an additional insured. Insurance coverage must be maintained for the duration of the event. To determine the amount of insurance coverage necessary, please contact the Finance Office at (605) 578-2600 – Fax # (605) 578-2084. The City must be named as an "additional insured." Please obtain the required insurance and mail an original insurance certificate to: **City of Deadwood, Finance Office, 102 Sherman Street, Deadwood, SD 57732.**

**AFFIDAVIT OF APPLICANT**

**Advance Cancellation Notice Required:** If this event is cancelled, notify the Deadwood Police Department. Otherwise, City personnel and equipment may be needlessly dispatched. I certify that the information in the foregoing application is true and correct to the best of my knowledge and belief and that I have read, understand and agree to abide by the rules and regulations governing the proposed Special Event and I understand that this application is made subject to the rules and regulations established by the City Commission of Deadwood. I agree to abide by these rules and further certify that I, on behalf of the organization, am also authorized to commit that organization, and therefore agree to be financially responsible for any cost and fees that may be incurred by or on behalf of the Event to the City of Deadwood.

Name of Applicant (PRINT): Thadd Turner

*Thadd Turner*

April 1, 2026

(Signature of Applicant/Sponsoring Organization)

Title: Director Reenactment

Date: April 1, 2026

**VENDING**

Monthly vending reports shall be submitted by convention center vending, including Outlaw Square and Event Complex, to the Planning and Zoning Office. The report shall list event and vendor information for any event scheduled to occur the following month. Reports shall be submitted by the 15th of each month. Reports are to be submitted even if no upcoming event is planned for the following month. Failure to submit monthly reports could risk future event approval(s) and/or reissuance of liquor license. Approved vendors will be subject to periodic checks by the Zoning Administrator and/or his/her designee to ensure all information required by the City of Deadwood is being provided.