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Find Tons of Tomatoes at the 2009 Tomato Festival!

KANSAS CITY, MO– The tomato...locally grown in a variety of sizes, shapes and colors is a delight to many and always an eagerly anticipated farmers' market staple. Tomatoes will be featured front and center during the City Market Tomato Festival on Saturday, July 4, from 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m. Fresh, locally grown tomatoes, including many hard-to-find heirloom varieties will be available for purchase at vendor stalls throughout the City Market. Shoppers can also sample many tomato varieties at the University of Missouri Extension tent.

Do you have a favorite salsa recipe? If you can stand the heat, take part in the *City Market Salsa Contest*, presented by Manny's Mexican Restaurant, Familia Lopez Brand Products and 105.1 Jack FM. The contest will take place between 10:00 a.m. and 11:30 a.m., with winners announced at 11:45 a.m. Pre-register by contacting 105.1 JACK FM or the City Market. There is plenty of family fun to be had by all and include, of course—tomatoes! Themed games including tomato putt-putt, a tomato toss game and knock the cans game, which will take place at the 105.1 JACK FM tent. Mother Nature will share her whimsical stories for young and old and kids can also take part in art projects with Wonderscope Children's Museum. Farmers' Market hours on Saturday are 6:00 a.m. – 3:00 p.m. and festival hours are 10:00 a.m. – 12:00 p.m.

Tomato Festival Schedule of Activities

8:00 am – 12:00 pm	University of Missouri Extension Office recipe and sampling
10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Wonderscope Children's Museum art activities
10:00 am – 2:00 pm	Mother Nature storytelling
10:00 am – 12:00 pm	Jack FM activities: Knock the cans, Tomato putt-putt, Tomato Toss
10:00 am – 10:30 am	Salsa contest check in (advance registration required)
10:30 am – 11:30 am	Salsa contest
11:45 am	Salsa contest winner announced

For more information, contact the City Market Office at 816-842-1271, visit the City Market at www.thecitymarket.org or to register for the City Market Salsa Contest, visit www.1051jackfm.com. The City Market Food Festival Series is sponsored in part by the Neighborhood Tourism Development Fund, the



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University of Missouri Extension Office, AT&T Yellow Pages and the City Market.

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Where The Locals Go: The City Market is open seven days a week year-round. The Farmers' Market is open Wednesday, Saturday and Sunday.



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