

Parade Application
Saturday, March 18, 2023
Theme: Musicals

The parade will start at 10 AM sharp, Saturday March 18, 2023

Check – in from 9 AM at the Anderson County Courthouse, corner of Church & Crawford

Please return the application to the Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce by March 15, 2022.

Judging will be done during parade from the Chamber of Commerce Building @ Main and Queen.

PLEASE NOTE THE PARADE ROUTE (page #3 and attached map)

Organization/Business/Individual Name:

Contact Name:

Complete Mailing Address:

Phone (cell) _____ (work) _____

E-mail _____

Number of People in Unit _____ Any Animals? (Type) _____ # of Animals _____

Number of Vehicles in Unit (see rule #3) _____ Does your unit emit music? (See rule #5) _____

Detailed Entry Description:

Parade Day - Name of morning check-in contact: _____

Title _____ Cell Phone # _____

PLEASE FILL OUT THE REMAINDER OF THIS FORM IF YOU WISH TO BE JUDGED IN THE PARADE.

Do You Want to Be Judged? _____ Yes _____ No

If yes, CHECK ONE CATEGORY ONLY:

_____ Individual (single, automobile, equine/animals, bicycles)

_____ Business - Retail/ Non-Retail

_____ Organization – (Clubs, Organizations, Schools, Scouts, 4-H, Non-Profits, Churches)

Entries will be judged on Theme, Continuity, Originality and Enthusiasm.

Return to: Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce P.O. Box 1177 Palestine, Texas 75802

OFFICE: 903.729.6066 FAX: 903.729.2083 E-MAIL: info@palestinechamber.org

FOR OFFICE USE- ENTRY #:

2023 Annual Dogwood Art's and Music Festival Parade – Theme: Musicals

I have read the attached general rules & regulations regarding the 2023 Dogwood Art's and Music Festival Parade, and I agree to comply with them.

In consideration of being accepted as a participant, we irrevocably grant the Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce the exclusive right to use in any media our name, likeness, photos or reproduction of our performance for any purpose including promotion, advertising or otherwise. With these rights, we hereby release the Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce and it's agents from any claim, liabilities and/or damages which may now or in the future arise by reason of such use. Furthermore, we acknowledge that we are aware of the risks associated with participation in the Parade and, therefore, on our behalf and that of our heirs, do hereby release the Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce and it's agents for any and all claims, liabilities and/or damages on account of any personal injury or property damage which may occur from any cause before, during or after the Parade.

I hereby release and hold harmless the sponsors, promoters, and all other persons and entities associated with this event.

All entries must be postmarked by the registration deadline: **DEADLINE: 4PM on March 15, 2023**

Please return the application to the Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce by March 15, 2023.

(Those not registered by this time may participate but will not be judged or qualify for awards.)

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

Print Name: _____ **Title:** _____

Phone: (Work) _____ **(Cell)** _____

2023 PARADE UNIT RULES, GUIDELINES, AND INFORMATION – KEEP THIS PAGE

- **Parade Route: Start at Courthouse Square – Go down Avenue A. Turn RIGHT onto Spring Street. Follow Spring Street to Queen Street. Take a RIGHT onto Queen Street. Continue to Crawford Street. Turn RIGHT onto Crawford St and continue back to the courthouse to end. (SEE ATTACHED MAP)**

For safety reasons: stopping your vehicle early to let off riders or disbanding will result in being banned from further participation.

- For the safety of the public, parade participants are **NOT** allowed to throw candy or other materials from the entries before, during, or after the parade. Candy and other materials may be **HANDED OUT – NOT THROWN** along the parade route by those walking with the entry. **Violation of this rule will require immediate removal.**

- ****Due to the corner at Queen St. and Crawford St., 18-wheelers tractors are permitted but no trailers.**

- All accepted participants must sign the enclosed waiver & return the application. **All motorized vehicles used in Parade MUST supply a current insurance form with application.** All Moving Vehicles are not allowed to demonstrate excessive out of line movement, **NO Popping Wheelies, Revving motors – NO EXCEPTIONS!**

- The Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to restrict, limit, accept or reject any application.

- Units emitting excessive loud music or sound from their parade unit will not be permitted.

- Entrants are required to identify their entry by:

- Entry number **must** be VISIBLY affixed to the passenger side of your unit so the judges can identify you. Entry number will be provided when you check in.
- Affixing a 22" x 24" poster board on the right side (passenger side) of the entry containing the name of the individuals, club, or business. (You may include additional signage on other parts of the float)



Participants with unclear signage will not be judged. Parade Theme must be incorporated to be eligible for judging.

PRIZES:

- \$200 cash prize will be awarded for Best Overall Float.
- 1st, 2nd & 3rd place awards will be given in the categories of Individual, Business & Organization.
- The winner will be awarded on the Main Stage at 3 PM Saturday, March 18, 2023.

- **ALL ENTRIES** should be decorated or have some entertainment value.

- **ALL EQUINE ENTRIES** must present current COGGINS papers at parade sign-in, and **all equine entries need to have a volunteer after the horses to clean up any messes.**

NOTE: The Palestine Area Chamber of Commerce reserves the right to restrict, limit, accept or reject any unit application or to remove anyone from the parade that is a threat to the public, or uses inappropriate language or gestures.

Throwing candy or favors from the float or vehicle is PROHIBITED.

KEEP THIS PAGE & MAKE SURE THAT EVERYONE IN YOUR UNIT IS INFORMED OF THE RULES

****We will be following current COVID guidelines in place at the time of the event. No refunds will be given if the Dogwood Festival date is changed or canceled. ****

