



Historic Irvington Halloween Festival Scarecrow Contest Rules & Regulations

Entry categories:

Family/Group: Two or more individuals, such as family members, friends, classrooms, sports teams, or various clubs, work together to complete the scarecrow.

Business: Any Indianapolis business can enter.

Theme:

Use your imagination to select a theme for the scarecrow, such as traditional, contemporary, or humorous. Or make your scarecrow whimsical, frightening, funny, or sad, for example. **please see restrictions*

Entry fee:

This contest is FREE! However, your design must include at least one contest scarecrow frame purchased from Central Ace Hardware, at 1025 North Arlington Avenue (cost of \$10.00 +tax).

Registration & deadline:

Registration will be open at the Irvington Public Library during the Window Decorating Sign Up.

Sign up via the Halloween Festival website under Contests

All entry forms must be submitted by noon on Sunday, October 14, 2018.

Location:

Scarecrows will be displayed in the Irving Circle on South Audubon Ave. (you know, the one with the Fountain)

Delivery of entries:

Entrants are responsible for bringing and installing their fully assembled scarecrows to Irving Circle Sunday, October 21, 2018, from 9 a.m. until noon. Halloween Festival volunteers will be on hand to assist entrants in locating designated position sites and to supervise installation. (Note: The rain date for delivery is Monday, October 22, from 4 p.m. to 6 p.m.)

All entries must remain in the Irving Circle through **Monday, October 29, 2018.**

Judging:

A panel of judges will convene in Irving Circle on Sunday, October 21, 2018. Photos will be taken and posted on the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival's Facebook page and website.



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Awards:

- Categories will have a first and second place winner.
- The first-place winner of each category will receive a \$50 gift certificate to a local business.
- Each of the second-place winners will receive bragging rights.

Awards ceremony:

Winners will be announced and prizes awarded on Thursday, October 25, 2018, at 6pm Spooky Stories, held at Irving Circle. Arrangements can be made with the Event Coordinator for any gift certificates not picked up that night.

Rules & Restrictions:

- **No political, or religious statements are allowed.**
- **Store-bought masks are not allowed.**
- Each entry is subject to the limitations of a 6'-x-6' plot that will be marked on the lawn.
- Each entry must include at least one contest scarecrow frame purchased from Central Ace Hardware (1025 North Arlington Avenue) and customized by the entrant.
- The entire structure of the 6'-x-6' exhibit is considered to be the dimension of the scarecrow entry, not the dimension of the actual scarecrow. Your exhibit may include more than one figure, but each entry must include at least one scarecrow frame purchased from Central Ace Hardware at 1025 N. Arlington Avenue.
- Each entry must be able to sit or stand on its own props. No props are provided. Stakes may be driven; however, the grounds must remain as they were before scarecrows were constructed.
- Each entry must be constructed to withstand all weather conditions.
- Any fresh vegetables used in the display must be replaced as necessary.
- Each scarecrow must be named, on a small sign no larger than 11-x-17 inches. The sign must be able to withstand all weather conditions.
- Entrants are responsible for keeping their scarecrows in good viewing and photo-taking condition from setup until the day of the Halloween Street Festival. Scarecrows must be examined by entrants if the weather is bad, and any scarecrow deemed "ruined" will be removed by Festival staff within 24 hours.
- Entrants in the business category may incorporate the subtle use of the company's name.
- Break down and remove scarecrows no earlier than Monday, October 29, and no later than Thursday, November 1, 2018.
- This is a family-friendly event. No political, religious, overtly sexual, or excessively violent scarecrows are allowed. The Historic Irvington Halloween Festival reserves the right not to accept any scarecrow that is deemed to be not appropriate for all ages.

Materials:

Because all scarecrow entries must remain outdoors from setup date until October 29, and may be subjected to severe weather, their construction should be durable and all ornamentation securely attached. Carved pumpkins or other living materials that will not last the duration of the exhibition are discouraged.

Kinetic entries:

No electricity is available for kinetic scarecrows (for movement or other effects). You must provide your own silent power source, such as batteries, solar power, or wind current (no power generators, please).

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Contest Entry Form

Neither the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival nor its agents will be held responsible for any injury or damage associated with the 2018 Historic Irvington Halloween Festival Scarecrow Decorating Contest. Neither the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival nor the Irving Circle are responsible for damage caused to entries by weather, vandalism, or any other force. It is understood that the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival and its agents may use photographs of, stories about, and the scarecrow entries themselves, as well as all information contained on this entry form for publicity and promotion of the event.

All entries must conform to the standards of the Historic Irvington Halloween Festival, and it reserves the right to deny exhibition privileges to any entry considered to be offensive in regard to race, sex, or religion.

Check one:

FAMILY/GROUP: ☐

BUSINESSES: ☐

NAME: _____

GROUP NAME: _____

BUSINESS NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

NAME OF SCARECROW
(to be displayed with scarecrow): _____

I agree to the official rules and regulations provided on the Facebook Event details. I also agree to leave my scarecrow on display through **October 29, 2018**, and I will be the responsible party to remove the display *and return the space to the same condition as it was provided* no later than **November 1, 2018**.

Signature (required)

_____ Date _____

Parent or Guardian signature (required for youth under age 18)

_____ Date _____