

Scarecrows Among Us

Wayne County's Scarecrow Contest 2019



Hosted by:

The Downtown Development Authority, Kiwanis Club
& Wayne County Chamber of Commerce

Rules and Entry Form

Participation

The contest is open to all individuals/families, civic, non-profit organizations, schools, churches, clubs, businesses and governments.

Registration and Fee

Participants must pre-register. The registration deadline is Monday, September 30th. Entry forms may be submitted in person or mailed to the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce at 261 W. Plum St., Jesup, GA 31545. A non-refundable entry fee must accompany the entry form. Make check or money order payable to the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce.

Entry Fee:

Applications may be picked up from the **City Hall or Wayne County Chamber of Commerce**. The entry fee is \$35/entry. Deadline to enter is Monday, September 30th. No applications will be accepted after this date. Sites will be on a first come first serve basis. Businesses in the designated area will have first choice for the spot directly in front of their business. No electrical hook-ups will be available.

Cash Prizes Awarded:

People's Choice – one overall winner will be awarded (voted by the community via Facebook)
Judges' Choice – one winner from each category listed below

- Business
- Family/Individuals
- Groups
- Schools

****Winners will be announced on Saturday, October 26th at the Arch Fest.***

Set-up and Removal:

Set-up dates are Monday, October 7th thru Sunday, October 13th. You must **check in between 10am-4pm (Monday – Friday)** at the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce before setting up in order to obtain your location and sign with your name and number that is required to be displayed on your Scarecrow. Scarecrows must remain on display during the entire *Scarecrows Among Us* event.

All Scarecrows must be removed by Saturday, November 2nd. Scarecrows not removed by this date will become property of Jesup's Downtown Development Authority and will be removed and disposed of.

You are responsible for all trash, trash bags and other items not normally found in the designated area. All trash and associated items must be removed in their entirety and the area shall be left in a clean and orderly state. The local merchants' trash dumpster or receptacles are not permitted for this use.

Construction:

All scarecrow entries must follow a theme chosen by the participant. If a theme is not listed on the entry form, the entry will not be judged. It may still be voted on by the people and entered in the people's choice award.

All scarecrow entries must be handmade. No commercial costumes, rubber masks, etc. will be allowed. Scarecrows will be subject to all weather conditions; therefore, construction materials should be durable and all ornamentation securely attached. The use of living materials is allowed; however, decorations such as cut pumpkins may not last the duration of the exhibition so be mindful of this when constructing your scarecrow. You may use additional props such as hay bales, corn shucks, etc. as long as it remains on your designated area. Please do not use loose hay or straw.

It is important to keep a watchful eye on your scarecrow during the month of October. It may need occasional repairs due to weather conditions. We want our downtown area to look nice throughout the entire month. If left unattended with subsequent damage, your scarecrow becomes the property of the Downtown Development Authority and will be removed.

City regulations state NO item may be attached, tied onto or hung from tress, benches, monuments or lampposts. NO stakes, spikes or poles are to be driven into the ground in the downtown area. All structures shall employ surface anchors such as sand buckets.

Limitations:

Scarecrow sites will be 4'x6' and cannot be taller than 11'. Exhibits may contain more than 1 scarecrow as long as they fit into the allotted space.

Scarecrows must not obstruct or impede pedestrian or vehicle traffic.

Scarecrows must be in good taste. They cannot be gruesome, bloody or scary and cannot reflect controversial social or political situations. We reserve the right to deny entry privileges of displays to be considered offensive or not "family friendly". Business entries may contain advertising and only one entry is allowed per business.

Entry/Display Signage:

A numbered sign with the exhibition name will be provided to each exhibitor and it must accompany each exhibit (this will help family and friends when visiting the area). Political statements are not permitted; however, business entries may contain advertising.

Damage:

The Downtown Development Authority, Kiwanis Club & Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, nor their agents, will be held responsible for any damage to scarecrow entries.

Voting:

People's choice will be voted on via Facebook. The committee will take pictures of all the entries on Monday, October 14th and an album will be posted on the Wayne County Chamber of Commerce's Facebook. Friends, family and community members may vote by "liking" their favorite entry. Voting will continue until 5pm on Thursday, October 24th. ***(Only votes entered on Facebook will be counted.)***

Judges' Choice categories will be judged by out of town judges. All entries will be judged on Monday, October 14th.

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Disclaimer:

The Downtown Development Authority, Kiwanis Club & Wayne County Chamber of Commerce, nor their agents, will be held responsible for any injury damage associated with the Scarecrows Among Us 2019 event.

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Entry Form

Name of Individual/Family, Business, Group or School: _____

Contact Name: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address: _____

Street Address: _____

Entry theme: _____

Please check the appropriate competition category:

Individual/Family Business Group School

(Group includes: churches, clubs, civic organizations and non-profit organizations.)

My business, organization or group:

Is located in Downtown Jesup and I wish to display my scarecrow at my location.

Is not located in Downtown Jesup and I will need an assigned location to display my scarecrow.

A non-refundable \$35 entry Fee must accompany the entry form.

Make check payable to the **Wayne County Chamber of Commerce**.

I have read and agree to abide to all terms and conditions pertaining to the 2019 Scarecrows Among Us contest.

Signature

Date

Thank you for participating! Please return forms and entry fee to:

Wayne County Chamber of Commerce

261 W. Plum Street, Jesup

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