



Twin Cities Holiday Celebration **Parade of Lights**



Saturday, November 25, 2017

Participation Form

Application Deadline: November 15, 2017

Organization Name/Group: _____

Contact Person: (Include the name and title of one or more individuals who are authorized to sign a contract.)

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____

Email: _____

ENTRY CATEGORY (Please Check One)

_____ Float _____ Band _____ Walking/Marching Unit _____ Other

Will your float have music? _____ Yes _____ No If yes, describe _____

Size and description of float trailer and/or vehicle: _____

DESCRIPTION OF ENTRY: _____

**NOTE: All entries are subject to approval by the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Committee.
You will be notified by e-mail or phone of your acceptance.**

PLEASE SUBMIT your completed application and signed "Hold Harmless" agreement to:

**Auburn Recreation Department, Attn: Dawna Daigle
48 Pettengill Park Road | Auburn, Maine 04210 | (207) 333-6601 ext 2105**

2017 Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Parade Entry Rules

Float Decorating Contest

1. This year there will be a float judging competition.
2. Prizes will be given away for the top three floats in the following categories:
 - a. Best Business Float
 - b. Best Non-Profit Float
 - c. Best Youth Based Float
3. **Prizes: local restaurant gift cards – great for all float participants to celebrate together!!**
4. Floats will be judged on creativity and originality.

Floats

1. All floats must be in keeping with the theme of the parade (Parade of Lights).
2. All floats must be family oriented.
3. **No participants are to be dressed as Santa Claus. The only participating Santa will be at the end of the parade.**
4. Floats may have signage to enhance the design of their float.
5. Floats may not advertise a product, business, service, or cause in any way.
6. Small Business, Large Business, Non-Profit and School/Camp categories are allowed additional signage as follows:
 - a. Pertains to the Parade of Lights theme, businesses, non-profits, and schools/camps - may include signage that shows their name, website, and telephone number. This allowable signage may be no larger than 8 sq. ft in size. One sign of this size is allowed on each side of the float.
 - b. Business signage may be carried as a banner in front of the float.
7. Whenever possible, please choose smaller trailers for flats in lieu of large flatbeds.
8. Floats are restricted to one vehicle, or one vehicle pulling one trailer, unless otherwise approved by the parade committee
9. **PLEASE** take safety precautions for your float riders and walkers. Riders should be either secured or positioned so that they cannot fall from floats. Walkers should be kept a safe distance from moving vehicles and have good visibility in any costumes. An adult must supervise youth participants.
10. All floats entries are subject to approval by the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Committee upon receipt of the parade application.
11. (See below) for ALL UNIT rules.

Marching Units/Drill Teams/Bands

1. Marching Units, Drill Teams, and Marching Bands may carry a banner with their unit or organization name on it during the parade.
2. Bands on vehicles may have signage on the vehicle with the band name on it.

ALL UNITS

1. All units must submit an application and “Hold Harmless” agreement by the parade application deadline.
2. **NOTHING may be thrown, tossed, or passed out into, or at, the crowd. This includes promotional materials, coupons, candy, squirting water guns, water balloons, silly string, food, etc. Any violation of this rule will result in the participant and their organization being responsible for damages. Also, they will not be allowed to participate in the parade for the next two years.**
3. No fundraising is permitted.
4. Entries that are political or controversial in nature will not be accepted.
5. All parade entries are subject to approval by the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Committee.

2017 Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Parade of Lights Hold Harmless Agreement

Hold Harmless Agreement

By executing this agreement, the undersigned agree(s) for himself, herself, itself and its/their successors, heirs and assigns that participation in the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration, as described herein, shall be at the risk of the undersigned and that the undersigned hereby releases and forever discharges and expressly agrees to indemnify and hold harmless the City of Auburn, City of Lewiston and Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Committee, and its officers, directors, employees, agents and members of either organizations, together with their successors and assigns of and from all debts, demands, actions, causes of action, suits, dues, sum and sums of money, accounts, reckonings, bonds, specialties, covenants, contracts, controversies, agreements, promises, doings, omissions, variances, extents, execution and liabilities whatsoever including, without limiting the generality of the foregoing, claims for contribution, exoneration or indemnity, or any other thing whatsoever which might arise from the undersigned's participation in the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration.

I understand and agree to adhere to the following restrictions:

1. NOTHING may be thrown, tossed, or passed out into, or at, the crowd. This includes promotional materials; candy, squirting water guns, water balloons, silly string, food, etc. This is to avoid the possibility of injury to the child who may run into the path of a vehicle.
2. No fundraising is permitted.
3. No fliers, coupons, food, or promotional material may be distributed during the parade.
4. Entries that are political or controversial in nature will not be accepted. In the event of uncertainty concerning the character/theme of the entry, applicant agrees to abide by the determination of the Twin Cities Holiday Celebration Committee.

Signature _____

Date _____

Please complete, sign, and return, along with your application to:

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