

APPLE FESTIVAL SCARECROW CONTEST

Rules and Regulations

We invite you to participate in our SCARECROW Contest at UBC Botanical Garden's Apple Festival! Let your imagination run wild and be eligible to win some great prizes. To enter the contest **click here** to fill out our online entry form.

RULES

ONE entry per individual, family, group or organization. Open to all ages.

SIGN UP **online** before 4:00 pm on October 7, 2016.

NO late entries accepted!

Scarecrows must have an APPLE theme representative of our annual Apple Festival

Entries must be hand-made and use natural materials. NO commercial costumes, rubber or plastic masks, etc. will be allowed. The scarecrow must be moveable (25 lbs or less), be no more than a 4 feet x 4 feet base and minimum 4 feet tall and no more than 7 feet tall. It must be self-supporting, weatherproof in wind or rain. No perishable goods, glass or appliances may be used in construction or display. No electricity available. All decorations and props must be firmly attached.

The Scarecrow Contest and Apple Festival are family friendly. Scarecrows should be whimsical, humorous, mischievous or loveable—NOT frightening. Monsters, gruesome, bloody or especially scary entries will be disqualified. UBC Botanical Garden reserves the right to disqualify entries they feel to be distasteful or not family friendly.

Please name your creation. This, along with your group's name and number, will be displayed. We will provide a sign with your scarecrow's name to be displayed with your entry. You will be assigned a number when you receive confirmation of entry.

Scarecrows must be assembled prior to arrival and setup at the UBC Botanical Garden (address: 6804 SW Marine Drive @16th Avenue on Friday October 14 between 12:00 pm and 6:00 pm. No entries accepted after 6:00 pm. Volunteers will be on hand to direct you to your scarecrow's location.

All entries will be on display during Apple Festival hours, Saturday October 15 & Sunday October 16 between 11:00 am and 4:00 pm.

When you bring your entry for setup on October 14, you will be asked to sign a release form stating that if you do not pick your scarecrow up by Monday October 17 at 6:00 pm you will forfeit the right to have your scarecrow returned and it will become the property of UBC Botanical Garden. We will have the right to dispose of leftover scarecrows at our discretion.

Each scarecrow entry will be given two complimentary passes to come and enjoy Apple Festival for one day during the event. You can select to visit either Saturday or Sunday to view your creation on display.

Voting

Entries will be judged by the visiting public at Apple Festival on Saturday October 15 & Sunday October 16. All ballots must be in designated boxes by 2:30 pm on Sunday October 16. Ballots will be available at Information tents onsite where visitors can view and vote for their favourite throughout the weekend. Winners will be drawn on Monday October 17. Winners will be contacted by phone or email.

Entry Categories

Kids

Individual

Teams/Family

Some ideas to get your creative juices flowing

Remember that all scarecrows must have an apple theme!

Traditional Harvest Figures: these scarecrows are typically old-fashioned figures constructed from “throw-aways” from home. Clothing, hay, stuffing, burlap, farm implements are a few ideas of the traditional scarecrow items.

Humorous Scarecrows: these scarecrows should at a minimum evoke a smile! Current events, storybook characters, cartoon characters, or out-of-the-ordinary situations are just a few ideas. These characters should be fictional.

Celebrity Scarecrows: use your imagination! These can depict a modern-day celebrity or one from your past. A celebrity is a real person.

Scarecrows will be judged by the following criteria

Most original

Best use of apple theme

Most likely to scare a crow

Best kids' entry *only entries by kids 12 and under and eligible

RESTRICTIONS

Entries submitted in the “Kids” category must be completed by children 12 and under. Parents may assist in placing scarecrows on display. UBC Botanical Garden reserves the right to deny entry privileges of display considered to be offensive. Neither UBC Botanical Garden nor any affiliation will be held responsible for any injury or damage associated with the 2016 Scarecrow Contest.

It is understood that UBC Botanical Garden and the University of British Columbia may use photographs of, stories about, and the actual scarecrow entries themselves as well as non-personal information contained on the entry form for publicity and promotion of the event. We will not use personal contact details submitted through the entry form except to contact entrants with details about the contest and to follow up with prize winners.

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