

UMLAUF Last Straw Fest Scarecrow Contest Rules

Deadline: September 15, 2017

All entries must be submitted via the sign-up section of laststrawfest.com.

Contest Date: October 26, 2017

Please read the following rules before completing your entry.

Location: UMLAUF Sculpture Garden & Museum, on the east side of Zilker Park, on the corner of Barton Springs Rd. and Robert E. Lee

Physical Address: 605 Robert E. Lee, Austin, Texas 78704

- ✿ All scarecrow entries will be installed October 23 -26, 2017.
- ✿ All scarecrows will be displayed in the Garden Oct 26 – Oct 29, 2017.

Site: Each team is provided a 10' x 10' space in the Garden

Scarecrow/ Site Materials:

- ✿ Sponsors are responsible for obtaining their own materials and installing their scarecrow at their designated site.
- ✿ Straw is provided by Callahans, located at 501 Bastrop Hwy
- ✿ UMLAUF will provide signage with participant name.
- ✿ Additional Company signage and/or flags are allowed as long as it does not intrude upon neighboring scarecrow sculptures.
- ✿ Sculptures must be made of at least 25% straw.
- ✿ Each team is permitted to use a framework in building their scarecrow sculptures provided they utilize sound judgment and do not endanger participants or spectators.

Weather:

Scarecrows may be subjected to severe wind, heat and/or rain. Their construction should be durable and all ornamentation securely attached. The event is Rain or Shine – severe weather however may cancel the event in which all People's Choice will be pushed out through social media.

Prohibited materials:

No perishable goods may be used in the construction or display.

No glass

No major appliances

No electricity/ generators

Armature:

Any scarecrows placed along the fence will need to be affixed to a horizontal wood or metal support beam so it can be wired to the fence for display. Upon request, the UMLAUF will provide a wood beam to sponsors and available prior to or on the day of installing at the garden. All sponsors are responsible for materials to affix your scarecrow to the beam and the fence, whether it's wire, rope or other, but no tape please.

Size Limitation: Minimum height of 4 feet, Maximum height of 8 feet. Maximum circumference area is 8 feet. The entire structure is considered to be the dimension of the scarecrow, not the dimension of the actual scarecrow within the exhibit. Your exhibit may include more than one figure, but not more than four.

Delivery of Entries:

Entrants are responsible for bringing their partially or fully assembled scarecrow to the UMLAUF parking lot on your scheduled install date. Upon registration, a message from the UMLAUF will confirm your load in date and time. UMLAUF personnel will be available to assist entrants in location and designated support areas. All entries must be completed by 3pm, Thursday, October 26, 2017.

Restrictions

All entries are subject to limitations of space availability as well as the standards of display as established by UMLAUF management.

UMLAUF reserves the right to deny entry privileges of displays considered to be offensive.

The UMLAUF will contact any sponsor whose scarecrow does not hold up in the natural elements. The UMLAUF reserves the right to remove any scarecrow within 8 hours of initial contact if safety and/or damage to the grounds is of concern. Neither UMLAUF nor their agents will be held responsible for any injury or damage associated with the 2017 Last Straw Fest Contest.

It is understood that UMLAUF and its agents may use photographs of, stories about, and the actual scarecrow entries themselves as well as all information contained on the entry form for publicity and promotion on the event.

Entries submitted by youth organizations must be completed by children. Parents/Guardians may assist in placing scarecrow on display.

Judging:

Judging begins at 5PM on October 26, 2017, and awards will be announced at 6PM, people's and children's choice awards will be announced at 3:00PM on Sunday, October 29, 2017. The judges are volunteers and not employed by UMLAUF. All judging decisions are final.

During Last Straw Fest:

- Food will be available for purchase by Food Trucks only
- Providing food and drink to the general public is not allowed.
- Branding or promotional giveaways are encouraged.

Removal:

Participants are responsible for picking up any items from their Scarecrow Sculpture that are not considered trash by 12:00pm, Monday, October 30th. All Scarecrow Sculptures will be removed from the UMLAUF grounds by 6pm