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Dear Potential Float Entry Participant:

Paducah Parks & Recreation is now accepting applications for float entries for the 2020 Christmas Float Drive-Through Event at Noble Park. **This event is limited to 42 floats ONLY and each float gets 40 feet no more, no less—first come, first serve.** 2020 has been an unusual year with COVID and social distancing. This year Paducah Parks has created a way to have stationary Christmas floats on display while you and yours drive-through, and view them safely, with your family, from your own vehicle. The event information is listed below. If your organization is interested in submitting a float entry for this year's "Christmas in the Trees" event, **please fill out the application form and submit by Monday, November 30th at 5:00 pm to:**

Paducah Parks & Recreation
Attn: Christmas in the Trees Event at Noble Park
PO BOX 7265
Paducah, KY 42002

This event is scheduled **for one night** on Saturday, December 5th from 5:30pm to 9:30pm. The floats will be lined up on Noble Park Trace road and will all be parked on the East side of the road and will need to be facing **WEST**. (Please consider this as you are designing your float to be viewed by judges and passengers driving by.) Floats will all enter from the HC Mathis gate and drive to their lineup location from there.

The theme this year is **"Christmas in the Trees"!** ALL entries must have lights and music playing at all times, as well as a Christmas tree somewhere on your float. You must provide your own energy source for your float--generator etc.. **There is no electricity available. Remember that no other entry can have a Santa Claus, as he will be at the end of the line of float- waving to passengers as they exit onto Cairo Road. (this includes costumes, décor, or inflatables).**

Again, the deadline to submit an entry for the 2020 Christmas Float Drive-Through Event at Noble Park Christmas is Friday, November 30th by 5:00 pm.

Entries submitted after November 30th or once we reach our maximum of 42 floats WILL NOT be accepted.
Parade Packets are to be picked up at the Noble Park Tennis courts on 2 days--- Thursday, December 3rd and Friday December 4th from 5:30pm to 7pm. If you have any questions please call Paducah Parks & Recreation at 270-444-8508. Thank you so much for your past participation and we hope to see you again this year!

Sincerely,

Molly Tomasallo-Johnson
Special Events Superintendent
Paducah Parks & Recreation

Kelsey Edwards
Special Events Recreation Specialist
Paducah Parks & Recreation

2020 CHRISTMAS IN THE TREES-DRIVE THROUGH EVENT

Stationary Floats At Noble Park

Rules and Regulations

1. Each entry **MUST EXCLUDE** using Santa Claus as part of their theme on the float or in costume, as Santa will be at the Cairo Road exit waving to passengers.
2. All entries **MUST BE FLOATS!** No motorized vehicles, including jeeps, lawn mowers, atvs, tractors, motorcycles, go-carts, etc.
Or groups with walkers etc..
3. **ALL floats MUST** be decorated in a Christmas motif and must carry their own Christmas lighting, music and electricity with a generator etc. No electrical on site!
4. **ALL floats MUST have a Christmas tree.**
5. Each participating float **MUST** include Christmas music, including caroling, live music/band, and/or recorded music on a sound system.
6. Each float is allowed 40feet. There is no additional space available and each float will sit on the east side of the road and must face the west side of road so that drive through passengers can view them.
7. A capped total of 42 floats will be permitted.
8. Judging will begin at 4:00 pm. The judges will walk the staging area and evaluate the entrants prior to the floats turning on their electric at 5:30pm. ALL float entries will be judged. ALL float entry participants must be a part of and stay on their floats.

Categories are as follows:

Themed Float (1st – 5th place)

Religious Float (1st – 3rd place)

School Float (1st – 3rd place)

Musical Float (1st – 3rd place) (for our Drill/Dance Teams/Bands)

9. Each Judge will score each entry based on the above criteria on a scale of 1 – 10, with 10 being the best. Judges will then collectively decide who the winners in each category will be.

Thank you so much!

~Molly and Kelsey

OFFICE USE
ONLY

2020 "Christmas in the Trees" Drive Through Event at Noble Park Float Entry Form

Saturday, December 5
5:00 pm to 9:30pm

Name of Organization _____
Mailing Address _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Contact Person _____ Daytime Phone _____
Address _____ Evening Phone _____
City _____ State _____ Zip _____
Email Address _____

*******DEADLINE: Monday, November 30th BY 5:00 PM*******

No entries accepted after the above deadline or once 42 floats have entered.

REMINDER!

Each entry must
**carry its own
energy source (i.e.
battery operated
lights, generator,
plug into cigarette
lighter, etc.)**

**MUSIC, LIGHTS,
AND A
CHRISTMAS TREE
ARE REQUIRED
ON ALL ENTRIES**

I understand that **ALL** entries will be judged. If I should win a cash prize I would like the check made payable to the **correct** information below.

I agree that if the below information is not given correctly I will not receive the money prize.
Check payable to (Name or Organization):

CHECK TYPE OF ENTRY (max 40'): Float

**** What category in the judging contest is best for your entry? ****

Check only one category please.

Themed Float School Float Religious Float Musical-Float(for our bands and drill team participants)

You cannot have walkers, band members, dancers, people, etc. off the float(they will not be judged)

Organization's Agreement to Participate:

While participating in this 2020 Christmas float event at Noble Park,
_____ (organization) agrees to follow all of the rules and
guidelines/decisions of Paducah Parks & Recreation, who reserves the right to refuse any entry.

_____ (organization) agrees that failure to comply with all rules and
regulations may result in immediate removal from the entries at the discretion of Paducah Parks & Recreation.
I/we further agree to indemnify, release and hold harmless the City of Paducah, Paducah Parks & Recreation,
and their employees and agents from any and all responsibility for loss, expense, damage, or injury to any
person or property. It is further agreed that _____
(organization), as participants, will maintain general liability and auto insurance for the float entry.

Organization Representative Signature

Date

Printed Name

Return entry on or before November 30th to:

**CHRISTMAS FLOAT EVENT, PADUCAH PARKS & RECREATION, P.O.
Box 7265,
PADUCAH, KY 42002-7265**

**Float packets are to be picked up on Thursday December
3rd or Friday December 4th from 5:30pm-7pm at the Noble
Park Tennis Courts.**

ENTRIES RECEIVED AFTER NOVEMBER 30TH WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED.
ENTRIES ARE FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE, UNTIL 42 FLOATS HAVE

Contest Participants - IMPORTANT:

All entries need to be in line at your assigned location, and ready by 4:00 pm.