

# Downtown Brownsville Scarecrow Competition



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## Participation:

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

## Registration:

Participants must pre-register. Registration deadline is Thursday, September 30. No applications will be accepted after this date. Entry forms may be submitted in person or mailed to the Main Street Brownsville-Haywood County Office at: 121 W Main Street, Brownsville, TN 38012. A non-refundable entry fee must accompany the entry form if an adult, organization or business. Cash, Check or Money Order made payable to: Main Street Brownsville, No credit cards, please.

## Entry Fee:

\$25 for Businesses, non-profit organizations, schools, churches, and clubs

\$5 for adult individuals

Children are FREE

## Awarded Prizes

Business, organization, club or group – 1st, 2nd & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place trophies

Children – 1st, 2nd & 3<sup>rd</sup> Place winners will receive trophies and Halloween activity buckets

## Set-up and Removal

Set-up Dates for Scarecrows [September 27<sup>th</sup> thru Oct 3rd] Main Street will contact you with your spot/location of your scarecrow set up.

Removal Dates for Scarecrows [November 2<sup>nd</sup> thru 7<sup>th</sup>]. Any left after Nov 7<sup>th</sup> will be thrown away!

You are responsible for all trash, trash bags and other items not normally found on the Square. All trash and associated items must be removed in their entirety and the Square shall be left in a clean and orderly state.

## Scarecrow Entries Construction

All scarecrow entries should be original, we understand that most costumes and some accessories will be purchased, but as much of the structure of the scarecrow is recommend being made and not bought. 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 and therefore their use is discouraged. You may use additional props such as; corn stalks, straw bales (only on non-grassy areas, Absolutely NO loose hay/straw) a bench, bicycle, etc. as long as they remain within your site.

It is important to keep a watchful eye on your Scarecrow during the month of October. It may need occasional upkeep due to wind and rain. We want the village to look nice throughout the entire month. If left unattended with subsequent damage, your Scarecrow becomes the property of the Main Street Brownsville-Haywood County and will be removed, and you will become ineligible to win any prizes.

City regulations state NO item may be attached, tied onto or hung from any trees, benches, monuments, lampposts, signs, or parking meters. NO stakes, spikes or poles are to be driven into the ground on the Square. All structures shall employ surface anchors such as sandbags. Placement of the Scarecrows must leave adequate walking space and wheelchair access to view displays safely around the Square. (Please be mindful of how you place your display, you may be asked to move it if it is obstructing the walkway).

You will not be allowed to use any electrical outlets around the square. If you would like to include lights of any kind with your Scarecrow, please use battery operated or solar powered lights.

## Limitations

Scarecrows must not obstruct or impede pedestrian or vehicle traffic. Any scarecrow that is taller than 6ft. must be approved by Main Street before set up week, so we can place the scarecrow in an appropriate location according to space.

Scarecrows must be in good taste. They should not 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 only one business advertising per entry.

## Voting

Make sure your display is completed no later than Sunday Oct 3<sup>rd</sup>, to be included in the judging. Scarecrows will be judged on complexity, detail, use of props, overall appearance, originality, and adherence to regulations.

Winners will be contacted as well as posted on our Facebook page:

<https://www.facebook.com/mainstreetbrownsvilletn>

## Disclaimers

Neither Main Street Brownsville- Haywood County or the City of Brownsville, nor their agents shall be held responsible for any injury or damage associated with the 2021 Scarecrow Showcase.

It is also understood that use of photos, stories about the Scarecrow entries, and prize winners may be used for publicity and promotion of the event.

## More Information

For additional information about the contest, or to obtain an entry form, please go to Main Street Brownsville’s Facebook page.

# Main Street Brownsville Scarecrow Showcase Entry Form

Name of Individual/Family/ Business/School/Church/Non-profit Organization/ Club: \_\_\_\_\_.

Contact Name: \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_ Street  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

A non-refundable Entry fee must accompany the entry form. Please check the appropriate competition category:

Checks should be made payable to Main Street Brownsville

\_\_\_\_\_ Business (\$25). \_\_\_\_\_ Individual (\$5) \_\_\_\_\_ Child FREE

\* (Group includes: Businesses, churches, clubs, schools and non-profit organizations)

I have read and agree to abide to all terms and conditions pertaining to the 2021 Scarecrow Showcase and Contest.

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please submit your entry form to: Main Street Brownsville  
121 W Main Street Brownsville, TN 38012

Office Use:  
Received \_\_\_\_\_ By \_\_\_\_\_ Method of payment: \$ \_\_\_\_\_  
Scarecrow # \_\_\_\_\_