



2009 PARADE ENTRY FORM

Please fill in all blank spaces and print clearly or type. Attach additional pages if needed.

Please mail this form with pictures and/or other supporting materials to:

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The Adolphus
1321 Commerce Street
Dallas, TX 75202

PRESENTING ORGANIZATION _____

NAME OF ENTRY _____

DIRECTOR/GROUP LEADER _____

CONTACT NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY, STATE, ZIP _____

PHONE NUMBER DAY _____ **EVENING** _____

FAX NUMBER _____ **E-MAIL** _____

NUMBER OF GROUP MEMBERS _____

AGES OF GROUP MEMBERS (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

UNDER 5 6-12 13-18 18 AND UP

TYPE OF UNIT (CHECK ALL THAT APPLY)

WALKING PICK-UP FIRE TRUCK DRILL/DANCE/CHEER TEAM

CAR EQUESTRIAN BAND OTHER _____

NUMBER OF UNITS/ VEHICLES _____

DESCRIPTION OF VEHICLE _____

MUSIC YES NO

IF YES LIVE RECORDED

TYPE OF MUSIC SYSTEM _____

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF ORGANIZATION

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF UNIT (COSTUMES, PROPS, THEMES, COLORS, ETC)

PREVIOUS PARADE EXPERIENCE

AWARDS EARNED

**CAPITAL ONE BANK ADOLPHUS CHILDREN'S PARADE
ENTRY CRITERIA**

Due to the nature of the parade's live broadcast, we have limited space in the lineup. All entries in the parade are by invitation, and preference is given to past participants.

If you are a new entry and would like to be considered, please review the criteria and instructions below and if qualified, please download and submit the Parade Application Form.

GENERAL COMMENTS

- Previous experience in a parade is a plus
- You must submit photos, videos, or another visual medium for consideration
- If your entry is musical, send a cassette or CD
- Be sure to include awards and honors your group or act has received
- Materials submitted with your entry request will not be returned

LIMITATIONS

- Signage for your group or unit will be provided should it appear in the parade. Your banner or sign will not be added to the lineup
- Small children may not appear in the parade. The liability is too great for us to have small children participating. Children seen in the broadcast are outpatients of Children's Medical Center Dallas and each has an escort

FLOATS

- All floats in the parade are designed and constructed by a professional float builder for the parade and support the theme
- Home made/self-built floats will not be in the parade
- Float sponsorship information is available at Children's Medical Center of Dallas Development Office, 214-456-8360

BANDS

- Previous parade experience is required
- UIL Competition awards are a plus
- The entire band must have uniforms, no sweat suits or black pants/white shirts
- Parade programming requires Christmas/Holiday music

DRILL TEAMS / DANCE TEAMS

- The parade contracts with HTE Dance to coordinate all float entertainers, dance performances, the half time routine and opening
- Drill, dance, baton, and cheer teams interested in performing should contact HTE Dance directly:
HTE Dance - Jeffrey Giles, President
800-676-5266, www.htedance.com

EQUESTRIANS

- Organized, adult unit with 20+ horses the day of the parade
- Previous parade experience required
- Flashy, coordinated costumes

SCHOLARSHIP PAGEANT CONTESTANTS / WINNERS

- We work exclusively with the Miss America Scholarship Contest Organization to include Miss America and Miss Texas in the parade

VIP's and CELEBRITIES

- VIP's and celebrities must be child appropriate and recognizable by the parade target audience, ages 2-9 years old

COSTUMED CHARACTERS

- Costumed characters in the parade must wear professionally designed costumes based on children's characters
- Mascots may not appear in the parade
- Branding characters may appear with units they sponsor (such as Chuck E. Cheese's with the band sponsored by the same)

VEHICLES

- Must be a convertible
- Fire trucks, flatbeds, vintage pickup trucks and unique industrial or service vehicles are welcome
- Must be in good running order and able to idle for periods of time without overheating
- Vehicles need to be willing to carry a VIP, celebrity, CMC outpatient, costumed character, or celebrity animal.
- Must arrive with a full tank of gas or have a gas tank in the vehicle for refueling
- Vehicles will carry ONLY assigned parade entries
- Period costuming and holiday attire welcomed
- Preference given to past participants

SPECIALTY UNITS

- Those units that do not fall into the previously mentioned categories
- Unique entries, whether walking units, specialty vehicles, choreographed performances or special appearances
- Must have an organized, coordinated, choreographed, showy routine
- Must exhibit showmanship and delight the street audience
- Requires coordinated costuming – no T-shirts or sweat suits
- Must be composed of adults