

MIAMI CHRISTMAS PARADE

Saturday, December 5, 2020

6:00 p.m. on Miami Main Street

NEW ROUTE THIS YEAR DUE TO CONSTRUCTION!!!

**Miami Main Street from BJ Tunnell to
Market Square Shopping Center**

O CHRISTMAS TREE! Get creative and decorate your float, your vehicle or yourself in Christmas Tree Fashion.

Whether outrageous, funny, religious, elegant or traditional, have FUN decorating and remember to LIGHT UP your tree, float, vehicle or person! Awards Categories will include:

**Best Band, Best Float, Best Pedestrian and
Best of the Best Tree!**

PARADE ENTRY FORMS ARE READY!

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Online: www.miamiokchamber.com

Pick Up: Miami Regional Chamber Office
11 S. Main Street, Miami OK

PARADE ENTRY FEE

Entry Fee before Nov. 25: \$20

Entry Fee After Nov. 25: \$30

Entries will not be accepted
after Dec 2.

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NEW ROUTE – MAIN STREET & BJ TUNNELL TO MARKET SQUARE SHOPPING CENTER

- **Due to continued construction on Main Street and the need to better social distance due to COVID 19, the parade will take a new route in 2020.** The parade will head North on Main Street from BJ Tunnell and end at Market Square Shopping Center (or as most call it – Los Dos Amigos parking lot).
- An area will be reserved in the Market Square Shopping Center for pickup of parade participants. Traffic direction will be provided to assist with parade disbandment and move everyone quickly out of the parking lot.
- **The Annual Miami Christmas Parade will begin promptly at 6 p.m. on Saturday, December 5, 2020.**

THEME

- The theme is **O Christmas Tree!** Decorate your float, vehicle, or self in whatever manner you wish.... but make sure a Christmas Tree is involved.
- Decorate outrageous, funny, serious, religious, traditional, whichever is great, just have fun with it! We all need some fun after all that has been happening in 2020. Just remember, we are a parade of lights – so light up your entry, yourself and most importantly, the TREE!

SAFETY MEETING

- Due to the route change, we have scheduled a pre-parade **SAFETY MEETING on Tuesday, December 2 beginning at 6:00 p.m. at the Chamber office located at 11 S. Main.** There is parking available behind the office or feel free to park on Main Street.
- Parade Entry Numbers/Rows/Lineup Time will be assigned, and entry number signage provided for your vehicle.
- It is crucial for at least one person representing your parade entry to be in attendance to learn more about safety precautions, social distancing encouragement, and to review and discuss the new route and more.
- If you or a representative is unable to attend the meeting, you will be contacted via email/phone regarding your entry number/row/lineup time. You may pick up your entry number at the check in location upon arriving for lineup.

LINEUP

- Lineup will BEGIN at **4:30pm for ROW 1, 5:00pm for ROW 2, and ROW 3 at 5:15pm.** It is **IMPERATIVE** to be there on time. You will be advised of your lineup number/row at the Safety Meeting or via email/phone call if you are unable to attend the meeting.
- Lineup entry will take place at 5th & N. Main Street. Please enter from Truck Route onto 5th Avenue NE and check in at 5th Avenue NE & Main Street. Parade Line-Up Volunteers will be available to assist with lineup.
- Lineup will begin at BJ Tunnell and back up to 5th Ave. NE and Main St. Parade volunteers will be on hand to assist you with line-up positions.
- Bands will enter for lineup behind the O'Reilly Auto Parts building near the ballfields. A Parade Volunteer will be on hand to check you in and assist you with lineup.
- Horse entries will stage in the AT&T Parking Lot (as is the normal). However, please check in at 5th & N Main St. All horse entries will be located toward the back of the parade and we all know why!



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- A parking area will be reserved for parade pickup at the Market Square Shopping Center. This area will be reserved for busses and large van parking for buses and large van parking. Once parade group have dropped off at the parade lineup, please feel free to move vehicle to pick up area at disbandment area.

PARADE REQUIRMENTS

- Please put your **entry number on the front and passenger side of your vehicle**, visible to the Judges Stage, located on the east side of the street this year at Marvin's. This will enable the judges to identify each entry.
- During the parade, please leave reasonable space between you and the entry in front of you so the judges are able to identify each entry.
- Bands, Twirling Units, Drill and Cheerleading Teams will be judged as they approach and walk by the judges' stage in front of Marvin's. Please do **not** stop to perform, keep parade moving.
- The Parade Entry Registration Form has an area to write information on your company or organization or to share a message during the parade announcements. Announcements are limited to approximately 3 sentences 20 seconds long max.
- We would appreciate your cooperation in **not having a live Santa in your entry**. The real Santa will be riding on the fire truck at the end of the parade. Dolls, stuffed & imitation Santa's are allowed.
- We kindly ask --- **PLEASE DO NOT THROW CANDY FROM YOUR VEHICLE!** Throwing candy from your vehicle is a major liability issue. You may walk and hand out candy during the parade. This is to simply avoid the possibility of anyone getting hurt or run over.

REGISTRATION

- All parade entries submitted must pay an entry fee. (These fees, along with sponsorship dollars, cover the cost of hosting the Christmas parade.)
- Early-bird price of \$20 is set until November 25. Thereafter the fee increases to \$30 due to the extra work required to rearrange lineup, etc.
- Payment must accompany the registration form.
- **After the early-bird deadline of November 25, all registration fees are non-refundable for cancellations or no-shows.**

AWARDS

- We will be presenting awards for Best Float, Best Vehicle, Best Pedestrian and most importantly, the BEST OF THE BEST TREE!