

65th Annual Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Parade
Saturday, July 21 ~ 10 AM
Our 2018 Theme:
A Day in Sherwood Forest

People from near and far have been enjoying Sherwood Robin Hood Festival parades for over 60 years. We welcome family friendly entries from businesses, organizations, groups and individuals in this popular community oriented parade that weaves through the middle of Sherwood into Old Town.

Because of the size and popularity of the parade, pre-registration is highly encouraged, but not absolutely required. This year's parade is Saturday, July 21. The parade starts precisely at 10 AM to keep all the Festival events on schedule, and check-in availability begins at 7 AM near the parking lot entrance to Walmart on SW Century Drive. Signs will direct you to the registration area. Judging begins at 8:15 AM for parade entries choosing to compete for multiple awards. A parade map will be available for pre-registrants at check-in and on www.robinhoodfestival.org.

There is no required parade registration fee, but we do enthusiastically encourage a \$10 donation to help support rising parade costs, which can be paid by check in advance, via PayPal, or you can simply bring a check or cash on parade day. Businesses and organizations are also encouraged to consider a Festival sponsorship. There are several sponsorship categories ranging from \$50 to \$2500+, with all sponsorship levels offering advertising benefits reaching thousands of people in the area. A \$250 or higher sponsorship comes with a free booth (on a space available basis - please contact us for details).

Visit www.robinhoodfestival.org for more information on sponsorships or to donate via PayPal. We are a 501(c)(4) non-profit. Note that donations to 501(c)(4)'s are not deductible as charitable contributions for federal income tax purposes. Businesses & trade organizations may have other ways of deducting expenses, per IRS guidelines.

Please submit the attached parade application via email to robinhoodfestival@gmail.com or via mail to:

Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Association
P.O. Box 496
Sherwood OR 97140

Checks should be payable to Sherwood Robin Hood Festival Association or SRHFA. If within a few days of the parade, please email the form and also bring a copy with you on parade day.

If you have any questions, please contact us at robinhoodfestival@gmail.com or leave a message at 503-625-4233. On parade day, questions should be addressed to volunteers supervising the staging area.

Thank you for your interest in participating in our historic home town parade. We are excited to have you as participants. We look forward to meeting you and enjoying a wonderful day!

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Entry type: Business _____ Non-Profit Organization _____ Group _____ Private/Individual _____

Would you like to be entered in the judging competition? (Entry must be ready for judging at 8:15 AM.) Yes _____ No _____

Organization/Individual name _____

Contact person _____ Cell phone: _____

Street address _____ City, State, Zip _____

Email address _____

Category (See next page) _____

Total number of vehicles _____ Estimated number of riders in vehicles _____ Estimated number of walkers _____

Entries involving horses and/or pets or other animals: Estimated number of animals _____

Number of vehicle types in entry: Vehicle(s) with trailers _____ Large truck(s) _____ Single car/pickups(s) _____

Will entry be playing music or have other audible elements? Yes _____ No _____

Does entry request being adjacent to another entry? Yes _____ No _____ Is this required? Yes _____ No _____

(Note: We cannot guarantee accommodating above requests. Please note as required only when *absolutely necessary*.)

If yes, please provide name of adjacent entry: _____

Phone number and/or email of contact for adjacent entry: _____

Entries are generally assigned positions according to group size, noise level, safety issues and entertainment value for the spectators.

Please describe your entry:

Do you have any questions or special requests for the parade coordinators?

Please read parade rules carefully. Entrants are responsible for staging and navigating the parade route safely.

ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL SUMMER 2018 PARADE CATEGORIES

To encourage participation, the parade categories have been kept as broad as possible. If you have any questions about what category to enter, please call 503-625-4233 and leave a message. We will return your call. Parade information is also posted on www.robinhoodfestival.org. Please select the category that most fits your entry for judging/placement purposes.

Equestrian / Animals

(A "pooper-scooper" must follow and pick up after each horse or livestock entry. Please closely supervise and pick up after pets.)

- E1.** Equestrian with rider(s)
- E2.** Horse drawn
- E3.** Other animals/pet(s)

Floats

- F1.** Commercial: Any float sponsored or financed by a commercial business.
- F2.** Civic Organization: Any float sponsored by a non-profit or service group, including school clubs, churches, etc.)

Marching / Precision / Walking

- M1.** Precision (march, dance, gymnastics, etc.)
- M2.** Walker(s)

Motorized

- 01.** Vehicles other than Tractors or Vintage
- 02.** Vintage
- 03.** Tractors
- 04.** Any other Motorized Unit
(Go Carts, Robots, etc.)

Unique

- U1.** Entries not easily categorized.

ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL SUMMER 2018 PARADE RULES

1. The parade starts promptly at 10:00 AM on Saturday, July 21, 2018.
2. Participants are asked to check in at the parade staging area near the parking lot entrance to Walmart on SW Century Drive. Signs and volunteers will direct you to the staging area. Details will also be available on www.robinhoodfestival.org.
3. Judging will start **precisely** at 8:15 AM. If you would like to be judged, please have your entire entry ready to go by 8:15 AM. You must be registered and checked in to be judged. If you are registering at the parade itself, please arrive early. Pre-registrations are recommended.
4. Awards will be given for the best in each category (Equestrian/Animals, Floats, Marching/Precision/Walking, Motorized and Unique – with First, Second and Third place ribbons in each subcategory. Three “*Best in the Realm*” Awards will be given for entries most creatively exemplifying the theme: ***A Day in Sherwood Forest***, one awarded to a business entry, another to a civic/non-profit organization entry, and a third to a private/group/individual entry.
5. Honorable Mention awards will also be bestowed in a variety of ways.
6. **An adult must accompany children under 12 years old on the parade route.**
7. **Riders on horses and ponies must be at least 14 years of age or be accompanied by an adult.**
8. Please closely supervise and pick up after any horses, pets or animals in the parade.
9. **For everyone’s safety, please don’t throw any candy or objects from the floats.** It’s recommended that you assign a walker to pass out items to parade viewers. Candy must be gently tossed “underhanded” along the side of the parade route to prevent children from walking into the street.
10. Please use common sense with your parade entry, as we reserve the right to review and refuse any entry. Entries are expected to be appropriate for viewers of all ages.
11. **Parade participants are responsible for staging their entry and navigating the parade route in a safe and respectful manner.** THE PARADE ENTRANT AGREES TO HOLD HARMLESS, THE SHERWOOD ROBIN HOOD FESTIVAL ASSOCIATION, SRHFA’S SPONSORS, INCLUDING THE CITY OF SHERWOOD, AND THEIR RESPECTIVE OFFICERS, DIRECTORS, AGENTS OR EMPLOYEES FROM ANY LOSS, CLAIM, ACTION, SUIT OR LIABILITY TO THIRD PERSONS; WHETHER DIRECTLY OR INDIRECTLY RELATED TO THIS EVENT.

Thank you to our sponsors!

If you would like to sponsor an award as a business, organization, group or family/individual, please visit www.robinhoodfestival.org/sponsors.html, email robinhoodfestival@gmail.com or leave a message at 503-625-4233 for more information. A \$100 minimum contribution is required.

We are also very thankful to our overall Parade and Festival Sponsors for making this special Sherwood tradition possible. Please contact us for information on various sponsorship levels.