

New Mexico State Fair Parade



September 7, 2019

8:30 AM

Louisiana & Central Ave. to

Girard and Central Ave.

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THE THEME

“Love Is In The Fair”

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General Information

The New Mexico State Fair Parade, long established as the biggest parade in the state, marshaled and assisted by the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse is open to participation by anyone.

This year's parade will leave the SE corner of Expo New Mexico at 8:30 on the morning of Saturday, September 7, 2019. Units will travel on Central Avenue disbanding about 1.5 miles west of the starting point.

Anyone is welcome to enter. Attempts will be made to limit the entries to approximately 200 - meaning the last units in the parade may not leave the formation location until after 10:00 AM.

There is a \$25.00 registration fee.

Applications and the signed waiver must be in the offices of the State Fair by the close of business on August 23, 2019. Shortly thereafter the parade lineup will be determined and then posted on the State Fair website.

Every participant in the parade will receive a one-day courtesy admission to the Fair.

Awards will be presented in a number of categories.

All participants are urged to develop their entries using the theme

"Love Is In The Fair"

Up to date information will always be available at the website

www.exponm.com/fair/competitions/parade.asp

Specific inquires and questions should be addressed to:

larry.trujillo1@state.nm.us

Phone: 505-222-9727

Entries are accepted on a first-come basis.

The Governor of New Mexico will be the first entry in the parade immediately after the opening ceremonial units.

Support vehicles for marching units will not be allowed in the parade.

A support person pulling a cooler alongside is ok.

Individuals and entry organizations that don't follow the rules, guidelines or instructions from a parade marshal may be thrown out and/or be prohibited from being in the parade in the future. The State Fair General Manager will resolve any disputes.

Ultimate responsibility for safety lies with each individual entry. The New Mexico State Fair, its agents and other of the parade's organizing bodies assume no responsibility in connection with, and make no representation as to the safety of any parade entry, in whole or in part, solely by reason of compliance with rules, regulations and/or guidelines for the parade.

The person who applied to be in the parade for an organization is determined to be an adult responsible for all participants following directions and abiding by the guidelines, rules and regulations. This person is encouraged to ensure that minors participating have signed parental permission to participate. Such documents must be available for inspection upon request the morning of the parade.



The parade is going to happen - it's a "*Rain or Shine*" event

Day of Parade

Specific instructions about parade day activities will be provided to accepted participants about August 23, 2019. All entries should check-in with a Parade Marshal upon arrival at their assigned time in order to be directed to the specific staging area.

Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse members will serve as Parade Marshals and provide guidance and operational support. A Parade Marshal (in uniform and on horseback) will be on duty in each staging area as well as at various locations along the parade route to insure the smooth and orderly progression of the set up and of the parade itself. Marshals will have the authority to remove any entry causing a delay, violating official parade rules or failing to cooperate.

For identification purposes, signs that identify the participant must be placed on the front passenger side of the vehicle or float or carried in a similar position for identification of the judges.

Under no circumstances shall any participant, unit or entry move to a different position within the parade line-up before or during the parade, except under the direction of a Parade Marshal. Riding participants will not be permitted to jump dismount and remount while the parade is in progress.

Proper unit spacing and parade pace is critical. Parade speed will maintain approximately four (4) feet per second. Voluntary stopping for drill formation, reverse marching by bands or drill teams cannot exceed 45 seconds.

No speeding up, skidding, sudden braking and/or “wheelies”.

Vehicle and float drivers must remain with their units until the parade is dispersed. Floats should be ready for a safety inspection by 7:30 AM.

State Fair Parade Participant Do's & Don'ts

DO

Conform to standards of reasonable public taste

Have insurance to cover any incident

Be informative and entertaining

Provide your own vehicle & driver

Provide a vehicle or horses to pull your float

Include your \$25 entry fee with the application

Provide 1 paragraph of information for announcement purposes

DON'T

Drink or carry any alcohol during the parade

Put an entry in the parade without insurance

Find an alcohol or tobacco sponsor, it won't be let in

Have a float that is taller than 13 feet or more than 12 feet wide

Use squirt guns, silly string or other potentially dangerous items

Throw candy or other things to the parade watchers.

If you want to give away something it has to be done by people walking near the curbs.

Awards

First and second places will be awarded in all classes based on originality, use of color, use of music, use of theme and overall appearance. Winner's awards will be mailed to your address on September 30, 2019. The decision of the judges is final.

THEME AWARD - BEST REPRESENTATION OF THE THEME

JUDGES' AWARD - MOST ARTISTIC USE OF DESIGN & MUSIC

FANTASY AWARD - MOST WHIMSICAL REPRESENTATION OF THEME

GOVERNOR'S AWARD - MOST SPECTACULAR

Classes 1-10

1. Riding

- a. Sheriffs' Posse
- b. Adult Riding Groups
- c. Youth Riding Groups
- d. Horse & Buggy

2. School Bands

- a. High School Marching Band
- b. Other School Marching Band

3. School Drill Teams

4. Cheerleaders

5. JROTC

6. Non-School Marching Groups

7. Non-School Bands

8. Clowns

- a. Clown Groups
- b. Clowns – Individual

9. Vehicles

- a. Single Entry Antique (Cars 25 years & older)
- b. Group Entry Antique (Cars 25 years & older)
- c. Original/Modified Vehicles (Cars under 25 years old)
- d. Low riders
- e. Motorcycles & Motorcycle Clubs
- f. Bicycles & Bicycle Clubs
- g. Military Vehicle
- h. Tractors

10. Queens & Royalty

- a. 18 and older
- b. 17 and younger

PARADE

2019 Application

Entry Deadline – 5:00 PM - August 23, 2019

The Theme for the 2019 State Fair Parade

“Love Is In The Fair”

Return application and signed waiver to: NM State Fair Parade P.O. Box 8546 Albuquerque, NM 87198

Date: _____

Entry Name or Organization:/entry name:

Primary Contact: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____

Zip: _____

Phone # _____ Cell # _____

Primary Contact E-mail _____

Parade Day Information Packet will be e-mailed to primary contact in late August

NMSF Class _____

Number of People _____

Number of Vehicles _____ Number of Horses _____

Length of Float _____

Type of Vehicles Pulling Float _____

If you have been in the parade before, how many years? _____

Brief description of the parade entry (and your organization for announcement purposes)

I hereby certify that I am 18 years of age or older and am authorized to sign and consent to the provisions of this waiver on behalf of my New Mexico State Fair ("NMSF") parade entry and all my entry's participants.

In consideration of the entrant being allowed to participate in the NMSF parade, I hereby agree to the terms of this waiver and release.

I understand that NMSF, the Bernalillo County Sheriff's Posse ("Sheriff's Posse") and other organizers and agents for the NMSF parade event make every reasonable effort to provide for the protection of parade participants and spectators. NMSF and Sheriff's Posse assume no responsibility in connection with and make no representation as to the safety of any NMSF parade entry, in whole or in part, solely by reason of compliance with the rules, regulations and guidelines.

I understand that participation in the NMSF parade may contain danger and risk of injury to entrants, participants, and the general public. I understand that the surface, access ways or lack thereof, lighting or lack thereof and weather conditions all change and may pose a danger to the participants and the viewers of the NMSF parade. I further understand that other contestants and participants may pose a danger. Nevertheless, I voluntarily accept all risks in connection with this entry and participation in the NMSF parade.

The entering organization and all of its participants that I represent agree to indemnify, hold harmless and defend the State of New Mexico, the NMSF, and all of its officers, agents and employees for all liabilities, loss or damage the NMSF may suffer as a result of claims, demands, costs, fees and liabilities of any type of description whatsoever arising from the negligence, errors or omissions by the entering organization through their participation in the NMSF parade. Neither I nor the entering organization shall not be responsible to defend, hold harmless or indemnify the Fair and the State of New Mexico for any liability to the extent such liability caused by wrongful acts, errors or omissions of the NMSF, the State of New Mexico or their employees. At all times the liability of the NMSF is governed by the provisions of the New Mexico Tort Claims Act.

I recognize that marketing of the NMSF and its grounds requires use of photography and video. I hereby expressly grant to the NMSF the irrevocable, assignable right and license to take, use, and publish images of participants of the entering organization or property without the need for any other approval. I also release the NMSF, its agents or assigns, from all claims related to the licenses that have been granted in this release.

Signed, executed and application is hereby made to participate in the New Mexico State Fair Parade by:

Entering Organization _____

Authorized by: Signature _____

Please Print your Name _____

Return application, entry payment, and signed waiver by August 23, 2019 to: NM State Fair

NM State Fair Parade, P.O. Box 8546, Albuquerque, New Mexico 87198