



Scarecrow Contest

2025 KEY DATES

Registration Opens: July 14th | **Registration Deadline:** Sept. 8th **Scarecrow Name and Description Due:** Sept. 19th **Scarecrow Drop Off:** Thursday, Sept. 24th: 10 a.m-5 p.m, Friday, Sept. 25th: 9 a.m. - 5 p.m **Scarecrow Pickup:** Saturday, Nov. 1st: 9 a.m - 5 p.m.
Exhibition Dates: September 27th - November 1st (closed Mondays)

JUDGING

Winners will be announced during our Bootanical: Not so scary Halloween event October 26th. Awards will be given at 1:30 p.m. The judges will be a panel of CBG volunteers and board members. People's choice will be finalized and announced on November 1st.

There will be a first, second and third place winner in each category.

First place - 4 Tickets to SHINE: Holiday light show and a family membership

Second place - 2 Tickets to SHINE: Holiday light show and a family membership

Third place - A Family Membership to the Columbus Botanical Garden

CATEGORIES:

COMMUNITY MEMBER: \$20 Families, schools, non-profits, churches, and individuals

BUSINESS: \$50, Will include logo on scarecrow signage and marketing

DROP OFF & PICK UP INSTRUCTIONS

Entrants are responsible for bringing a fully assembled scarecrow to the garden. Minimal setup and finishing touches should be required. CBG will provide a t-post in the ground for the scarecrow to attach to.

CBG volunteers will assist entrants in location and installation.

Scarecrows must be fully removed by November 6th. Unless prior notification is given; CBG will discard any scarecrow left after this date and entrants will not be allowed to enter the contest again.

MATERIALS

As all scarecrow entries must remain on display outside September 27th - November 1st, and may be subjected to severe weather, their construction should be durable. CBG reserves the right to remove any scarecrow that does not hold up.

All scarecrows must contain 50% or more repurposed, reused, or recycled materials. Materials to consider: mop heads, old clothes, crates, wood, and craft supplies.

NO GLASS, HAZARDOUS MATERIALS, TIRES, OR ANYTHING ELECTRONIC

SIZE AND CONSTRUCTION

Minimum height 4 feet, maximum height 10 feet. Your exhibit may include 1-4 figures. Each scarecrow must have vertical support of wood for the body (2" x 4" post preferred.) This vertical support should be easily attached to the t-post provided by CBG.

To be considered, entry forms and fees must be received by September 8TH, 2024.

Enter today and help make our annual scarecrow contest incredible!