

2015 Winternational Thanksgiving Day Parade Celebrating our Community!



Participant DEADLINE: Wednesday, November 18th!



PARADE DAY: Thanksgiving Day Thursday, November 26, 2015 at 10:00 AM

Thank you for your interest in participating in South Florida's only Thanksgiving Day Parade!

- Please complete and return the application and
 - **Include a photograph** of your group (performing, costumes, etc).
- All entries must have signage to represent the organization that is no less than 3 x 5 feet in size with black lettering (5" tall) on white background. Mobile units must have signage on both sides of the float or riding unit. For walking groups, one portable banner will be required to lead the entry.

This year, we are ***Celebrating our Community!*** We encourage your group to be colorful, have sound and be visually pleasant to a family atmosphere. You can represent the theme: "Celebrating 41 years of our - your - Community!" It can be done in many ways, it is up to your interpretation and can be done through ; music, dance, sports or what you feel makes up your group, and represents itself in this community.

It is up to the group, so have fun with it and make it colorful!

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION

Group Name: _____

Contact Person: _____

Contact Information: Work: () _____

Cellular: () _____

E-mail Address: _____

Business Website: _____

**PLEASE COMPLETE THIS FORM AND EMAIL to Andrea A. Ramos at: aramos@northmiamifl.gov
OR FAX THE FORM TO**

Andrea A. Ramos AT 305-892-8639

PLEASE MARK (X) ALL OF THE FOLLOWING WHICH BEST DESCRIBES YOUR ENTRY:

Walking Unit in costumes _____

Float (on flatbed or tow unit) include a photo _____

Describe: *length, width, height* _____

Mobile: (any type of moving vehicle) _____

Special Music Enclosed: *Name of Title & Artist* _____

○ *Time length* _____

Total # of Persons involved: _____

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Thursday, November 26, 2015 @ 10:00 AM
Downtown North Miami – Parade Route NE 5th Avenue – NE 12th Avenue

Rules and Regulations:

1. All chaperones and participants must be in costume.
2. All participants must provide their own costumes. *(The city does not provide)*
3. All mobile units **must** be decorated.
4. All units must visually be represented as a group that depicts community and what it means to them (i.e. costumes, decorations and sound).
5. All **tow units must be decorated** to highlight the theme of the float.
6. Units **may not stop to perform at any time during the parade unless chosen in advance.**
**Parade stops are based on originality, entry information, photo and entertainment value.*
7. The contact person should be with the unit at all times and a minimum of two (2) adults are required to walk beside your entry. *We encourage entries to go above and beyond the minimum.*
8. No objects may be thrown from the unit. Giveaways may be distributed by hand.
9. Photos and music **will not** be returned.
10. Entries will be accepted or rejected at the discretion of the Parade Committee.
11. The Parade Committee requires a minimum of two (2) “on-float” activities on your float. An “on-float” activity must incorporate two or more of the following suggestions:
 - Music on your float.
 - Entertainment – dancers, stilt walkers, clowns etc. walking alongside the entry.
 - Flags and/or banners to be carried or waived on or alongside the entry.
 - Company or organization mascot.
 - Coordination of float participants’ clothing – matching shirts, costumes etc.
 - Other – if you have any ideas please submit for Parade committee review and approval.
12. All approved applicants will be acknowledged by return mail or electronic mail and provided with complete parade instructions, including the staging area diagram and a route map.
13. Any unit that violates the Parade Rules or has a discipline problem will run the risk of disqualification and removal from the parade.

You may also mail to: North Miami Parks and Recreation Department
Winternational Thanksgiving Day Parade
Attn: Andrea A. Ramos
12300 NE 8th Avenue, North Miami, FL 33161

If you have questions or need theme or costume suggestions please e-mail:
Andrea A. Ramos, Community Engagement Administrator,
305-895-9840 x12227, or email at: aramos@northmiamifl.gov

Visit www.northmiamifl.gov/celebrate today for the city’s programs, events and links!

