

2023 PARADE OF LIGHTS

OFFICIAL PARADE RULES & REGULATIONS

Theme: LIGHTS, LIGHTS, LIGHTS

Date: Saturday, November 25, 2023

All Trinidad and surrounding area businesses, groups, and citizens are invited to participate.

- 1. Entries will be judged on use of **lights**, color and music. Creativity and use of **lights** will weigh heavily in the judging. (**music and animation encouraged**)
- 2. Award Categories are: Prize Categories are: 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place only for the entire parade
- 3. There is an entry fee of \$35.00 per float or per vehicle to accompany the Registration form.
 - Please make checks payable to Hometown Holidays.
 - Registration form and payment may be mailed to 608 E. 2nd Street, Trinidad, CO 81082, or delivered to that address.
 - Or registration can be emailed to <u>HometownHolidaysTrinidad@gmail.com</u> and bring payment to the parade
- Please submit entries by Saturday, November 18, 2023. Please try your best to meet this date (gives time to organize the parade). Cancellations should be reported immediately. <u>No refunds will be given after deadline date of November 18 th</u>.
- 5. LINE UP
 - All entries should report to line up _no later than <u>5 p.m.</u>
 - Committee members will be present to assist with line-up and assign a entry number
 - Please <u>enter the line-up</u> from the intersection of <u>COMMERICAL AND CEDAR</u> and proceed toward the intersection of Chestnut and Elm.
 - All entries will be expected to maintain their assigned positions throughout the parade
 - **FIRST RESPONDERS** will go directly to Oak Street, entering from Elm
- 6. The parade will start at **<u>6 p.m</u>**. Parade route is as follows:
 - Proceed east on Elm to Oak Street, Turn right onto Oak Street, to fall in behind 1st responders
 - Proceed south to East Main Street, Turn right onto East Main Street
 - Proceed to west to Animas Street, Turn right onto Animas Street
 - <u>Disburse AFTER clearing the intersection of Animas & Modica</u> <u>NOT BEFORE</u>. You can turn right, left, or go straight and then disburse leaving space after intersection for the other exiting floats.

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- 7. FOR SAFETY REASONS, THROWING CANDY IS PROHIBITED. Passing out candy on foot is allowed.
- 8. Santa Claus has already accepted our invitation to appear in the parade. No other Santa will be allowed to participate in the parade. ANY ENTRY WITH A SANTA IMPERSONATER WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE AWARD COMPETITION.
- 9. Judging (by independent citizens) will be at Chappell House (Mullare-Murphy Funeral Home) on the corner of Main and Walnut.

10. SPECIAL NOTE FOR YOUR CONSIDERATION

Give your float the best chance to win a prize!! For the best presentation of your float and to give our independent judges a reasonable opportunity to review your float, please do not rush past the judging stand at the Chapell House-----Slow and steady does it!!

11. **Awards** will be announced following the parade at the **After Party** held at The Commons at Space to Create, 220 W Main St, It would be appreciated if winners could please be present to collect cash prizes.

