



# Light <sup>up</sup> the Lake Christmas Celebration

## Lake Charles Christmas Parade

The City of Lake Charles invites you to participate  
11 a.m., Saturday, December 3, 2016



Individual / Organization \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Fax \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Truck & trailer @ approximately \_\_\_\_\_ feet in length

\_\_\_\_\_ Float & towing unit with @ approximately \_\_\_\_\_ feet in length

\_\_\_\_\_ Car/Truck \_\_\_\_\_ More than one vehicle in your caravan? \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ Marching unit with \_\_\_\_\_ number of individuals. Marching band \_\_\_\_\_ yes, \_\_\_\_\_ no

\_\_\_\_\_ Other (specify) \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_ We plan to play music on our float/entry. Type of music \_\_\_\_\_

### NO FEE TO ENTER

Return to: City of Lake Charles, PO Box 900 Lake Charles, LA 70602

FAX 337-491-1206, katie.harrington@cityoflc.us

337-491-1382 or www.cityoflakecharles.com

**No  
Santa Suits  
Please**

### Trophies will be awarded in the following categories:

- Float: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place (Christmas theme)
- Marching Band: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Place
- Best Decorated Vehicle (car, truck, van, Christmas theme)
- Best Specialty (dance line, walking group, clowns, etc.)

Trophies can be claimed at 5:30pm during the lighting ceremony or anytime at the Civic Center Box Office

### Parade Rules

- Line up will begin at 9:30 am on Mill Street. Enter Mill from Lakeshore Drive and face the east. Parade staff will be on site to give directions once you enter onto Mill Street.
- Line up will be on a first come/first placed basis. Pull up behind the next person in line and stay with your parade unit. You may not save places in line for other units in your group. If you have more than one unit, you must meet up and pull in together.
- Entries should be prepared ahead of time with throws and decorations. Cars will not be allowed to make deliveries to entrants. Remember to have water for participants.
- This is a family event. **No indecent music, clothing or behavior permitted.** Float music must be approved prior to the start of the parade and must be kept at an acceptable level.
- This is a **nonstop parade**. Stationary performances are not permitted.
- Operators of ATV's, motorcycles or any other type of motor vehicle must possess a valid driver's license.
- Approved throws only: individually wrapped candy, doubloons, plastic cups and beads. Other throws must be approved prior to the start of the parade.
- Maximum parade unit height is 14 feet, no exceptions.
- Buses can pick up marching units in the bus ramp behind Immaculate Conception School.
- City of Lake Charles street sweepers will follow the parade in an effort to help keep our city clean. Please discard all "trash" and boxes in appropriate trash receptacles.
- If you have a special request or concerns regarding your float, call 337-491-1382.
- Entry forms received after Thursday, Dec. 1, are not guaranteed a position in the parade.
- No alcoholic beverages on parade units.

