

Parade Rules and Regulations you must adhere to:

1. By completing an application to participate in the **Sandy Springs Sparkle Parade (“Parade”)**, you understand that not all applicants will be selected for participation.
2. The Parade staff reserves the right to accept or reject any Parade entry application.
3. Parade entries may not deviate from the submitted and approved application. Entries with changes that have not been approved will not be allowed on the Parade route.
4. Parade participants are prohibited from using mobile phones and PDAs while participating in the Parade.
5. Parade units will follow instructions from Parade staff and volunteers. Unit leaders accept responsibility for the behavior of their members.
6. No vehicles are allowed on the Parade route unless approved by the Parade staff. Absolutely no children may ride in the bed of a pick-up truck.
7. Parade participants are not allowed to distribute candy, pamphlets or other materials along the Parade route. Participants found tossing materials to spectators will be removed from the Parade route.
8. Parade entries are **NOT** to stop along the route unless otherwise directed. Forward motion and set spacing must be maintained at all times.
9. The Parade staff reserves the right to remove any Parade participant from the Parade route without advance notice for any reason or cause including, but not limited to, participants who: use any political sign, social or political material; improperly use or display the American Flag based upon U.S. flag policy set forth in the U.S. Code; wear or otherwise use inappropriate costumes; use or make inappropriate gestures; exhibit any inappropriate behavior, as determined in the sole discretion of the Parade staff; are under the influence of alcohol or drugs; or use any tobacco products on the Parade route.

By filling out the application you are in full agreement with the Sandy Springs Sparkle Parade Rules and Regulations provided above. Any violation of the guidelines may be grounds for denial or termination as a participant.

WAIVER AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

I have freely and voluntarily chosen to participate in activities organized and/or sponsored by the City of Sandy Springs ("City") occurring, in part, on property owned by the City of Sandy Springs Public Facilities Authority ("Authority") (hereinafter the term "City" includes the Authority) in connection with the Sparkle Sandy Springs Parade ("Event"). I fully realize and acknowledge that injuries are a possibility of the activities I will participate in or perform as an Event volunteer or participant, and I recognize that, on rare occasions, these injuries can be so severe as to result in total disability, paralysis or even death. I also understand that, because of the potential danger in such activities, the City is unwilling to allow me to participate in and/or perform any such activities unless I sign this Waiver and Hold Harmless Agreement, waiving any claims I might otherwise have as a result of such activities and holding the City and such other persons and entities harmless as indicated below. Therefore, in consideration of me being allowed to participate in, volunteer for, and/or perform any such activities and on behalf of myself, my heirs, next of kin, personal representatives, successors and assigns:

1. I acknowledge and represent that I am in good physical condition, and I have no condition of any sort which would be aggravated by my volunteering or participating in activities related to the Event, except as disclosed beneath my signature below;

2. I assume all risk, including any risk associated with any special medical needs or conditions that I may have, of the activities I will be participating in or performing as an Event participant or volunteer;

3. I certify that I have insurance reasonably sufficient to cover me against injury, loss of life and property damage caused to me in connection with my participation in, volunteering for, or performance of any Event activities;

4. I acknowledge and understand that the City has not obtained workers' compensation insurance to cover any injury I might sustain while participating in or working as an Event volunteer;

5. I recognize that participating or assisting others in participating in the Event may involve risk of injury to me, including death, loss or damage to me, or my property, or other consequences, which might result not only from my own actions, inactions or negligence of others, the rules of play, or the condition of the premises or of any equipment used;

6. I acknowledge that by participating or volunteering in the Event there may be other risks of injury, death and/or property damage not known, or not reasonably foreseeable;

7. I am participating in or providing my services to the City voluntarily and without any promise or expectation that I will receive any compensation in the form of money or otherwise;

8. I agree that all expenses relating to or arising out of any such injuries, loss of life or property damage will be my financial responsibility or the financial responsibility of my family, and I, for myself, my heirs, my administrators and executors agree to forever waive, release, discharge, hold harmless and indemnify the City and the Authority, and their representatives, agents, employees, elected officials, and members, and all sponsors of the Event.

Accepted and agreed to on the _____ day of _____, _____.

Signature of Participant/Volunteer

Signature of Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian
(if Participant/Volunteer is under 18 years old)

Printed Name of Participant/Volunteer

Printed Name of Custodial Parent or Legal Guardian
(if Participant/Volunteer is under 18 years old)

Sandy Springs Sparkle Parade Participant Application

Two Group Options are available: (1) Float, (2) Specialty/Performance

Name of Organization:

Contact Person:

Mailing Address (is a home or work address? (home/work)

Daytime Phone:

Mobile:

Email:

How will your entry be lighted (this is a nighttime parade, all floats must have lights)?

How will your group be arriving to the parade?

TYPE OF GROUP:

(1) _____ float/wheels: *(a picture or sketch is required)*

Detailed description of float (lighting, props, design, etc.)

How will your float be towed? (Please describe tow unit in detail – we do require that all tows be covered by vehicle insurance)

Length of float:

Width of float:

Height of float:

Number of riders on the float? (max of 8):

Number of walkers around the float and how will they be costumed?

Will your float have music (music is preferred but not required)? If yes, will the music be live or recorded:

Detailed description of any participants on or around the float including age range, costuming and lighting:

(2) _____ **specialty/performance:**

Description of group: (lighting, costumes, entertainment, etc.). This is a nighttime parade, some type of lighting is preferred (lighted costumes, participants adorned with lights, etc)

Exactly what will your group be doing?

Total number of people in the group:

Does your group have music (music is preferred but not required)? If yes, live or recorded?

Please describe music and equipment used to play the music to the street:

Add any noteworthy information about your group:

Please list any special requests, requirements or questions you need to submit:

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Applications must be received by November 10, 2024 to be considered for participation.

Due to the limited number of positions available, not all groups will be accepted.