



## **Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Christmas Tree Contest**

These Rules must be read and the agreement box checked on the entry form, or signed and returned to Silsbee Downtown Revitalization with the Official Entry Form SILSBEE DOWNTOWN REVITALIZATION STEERING COMMITTEE'S THIRD ANNUAL "Christmas Tree Decorating Contest".

This contest are as follows:

1. Either individuals or groups may decorate Christmas trees. Examples of participants may include youth groups, adult groups, civic organizations, school groups, school classes, church groups, business, or families. The event is limited to one entry per person or group. There is \$25 entry fee. The submission of a completed Official Entry Form is required. Incomplete or illegible forms will not be accepted.
2. Tree, decorations, tree stand, electrical cords will be provided by the participants. There are electrical outlets available on the pole next to the Gazebo.
3. Trees must be anchored to the ground to prevent them being blown over by stakes. No anchoring rope, stakes etc, may be placed in such a manner as to cause a tripping hazard. Trees will be placed in a PVC pipe which will be buried in the ground and anchored.
4. Christmas decorations should not contain hazardous items, including but not limited to tiki torches, gas-powered generators or other flammable objects.
5. Decorations must be designed for outdoor display and constructed to withstand all weather conditions. If fresh produce is used, participants should replace as necessary.
6. Silsbee Downtown Revitalization will not provide trees. A 5' to 7' live or artificial tree should be used. Creativity is allowed and anything outside ordinary or questionable should be presented to the Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee for approval.
7. Decorations must hang on the tree, not sit alongside the tree or be held up by any means other than the tree itself.
8. When designing your decorations, please remember this is an event for children of all ages. Decorations may be funny, quirky, etc., but must be in good taste. Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee reserves the right to reject or remove any entry that fails to meet these standards or that is otherwise unacceptable or inappropriate.
9. Each participant should provide a sign no larger than 18"X18" to identify the individual, group, organization or business who decorated the tree.
10. Participants must maintain their Christmas tree from the time of installation through the

announcement of the winner, which will be decided by ballot on December 17, 2016 during Dickens Downtown event. While participants must maintain their entries, they may not make any substantial changes or modifications to their entries after installation. Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee may, from time to time, make minor repairs if we feel it is necessary, however, participants remain ultimately responsible for ensuring that their Christmas Tree remains in presentable condition and as originally installed. Any entry deemed to be in poor condition will be removed.

11. Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee is not responsible for any damage or loss to any decorations at any time before, during or after the Christmas event.
12. Trees will be decorated during the time between Thanksgiving Day and be completed by Friday, December 2nd. Participants must complete an Official Entry Form.
13. All Christmas decorations will be entered in the competition. Each entry will be judged against all other entries and will be placed number of votes by ballot. The winner will be announced during Dickens Downtown on December 17, 2016.
14. Winners, participants and/or images from the contest may be posted on Silsbee Downtown Revitalization's website and Facebook page, and in media.
15. Participants agree to display and maintain their Christmas decorations through December 25. All decorations must be removed by January 3<sup>rd</sup> 2017. Participants are responsible for removing their decorations. Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee is not responsible for decorations that are removed after January 3, 2017.

No entry fees or money will be refunded once the fees are paid. Entry forms can be printed and filled in, then mailed to Silsbee Downtown Revitalization, P.O. Box 1284, Silsbee, TX 77656 with payment, or filled in online at [DowntownSilsbee.com](http://DowntownSilsbee.com) (preferred method) Checks (\$25) to be made out to Silsbee Downtown Revitalization.

Please sign here to indicate that you have read the rules, understand the rules and agree to abide by the rules as set forth above:

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

Please keep this copy to help you follow the rules. OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM FOR Christmas Tree Decorating  
All Entry Forms Must Be Received by Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee by December 2, 2015 by 5:00 p.m. For more information, call 409 233 3850



Entry form for:  
Silsbee Downtown Revitalization  
Christmas Tree Contest

Name of Individual or  
Group: \_\_\_\_\_

Designated Representative for Group (must be an  
adult): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

Email  
Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone  
Number: \_\_\_\_\_

If entered by a business, name of  
business: \_\_\_\_\_

By signing this Official Entry Form, I request that Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee accept my entry. I agree that I have the authority to enter this competition for the group, or business above. I will abide by all of the rules of the competition listed above. I understand and agree that Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee may use photographs, video or film of actual Christmas Tree entries and/or entry information for publicity and promotions of the Event, and I waive all rights to compensation for such images. I agree to indemnify and defend Silsbee Downtown Revitalization Steering Committee, its directors, employees, and agents, from and against any and all claims and losses arising from or resulting to any and all persons in connection with the participation of me or my group in the Event and from any and all claims for losses, damages or injuries incurred by any person, group or organization as a result of the participation of me or my group in the Event.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_  
Individual/Representative's Signature

If you are completing an online registration, please check the box labeled "I have read and understand the agreement attached", and pay online with any credit card.

or,

Return completed Entry Form and entry fee to:

Silsbee Downtown Revitalization  
P.O. Box 1284  
Silsbee, Texas 77656