



# ROSE SHOW & FESTIVAL

*Thomasville • Georgia*

## 2019 Rose Parade Rules

- Application Deadline: **April 16, 2019**. Applications received after this date will not be accepted. Lineup numbers and information will be mailed out that same week.
- The Rose Parade will be held on Friday, April 26, 2019 at 7:00 p.m.
- **NEW THEME:** This year's Rose Parade theme is "Roses in Rhythm." Rhythm by definition means "a strong, regular, repeated pattern of movement or sound." Your parade entry can highlight dance, music, culture, art, or even focus on the rhythm found in everyday activities. We welcome creativity!
- All floats must have a minimum of one dozen roses incorporated into their design. The use of live or artificial roses (silk, plastic, papier mache, fabric, etc.) is acceptable.
- **A vehicle bearing the name of a business (whether decorated or undecorated) will not qualify as a parade entry. This includes, but is not limited to, vehicles that are "wrapped."**
- Completed application does not guarantee entrant's acceptance in the Rose Festival Parade. All applications will be reviewed for acceptance. The City of Thomasville reserves the right to accept or reject any parade unit's application.
- ***Parade participants may not distribute materials of any kind. This includes, but is not limited to: candy, beads, t-shirts, trinkets, brochures, pamphlets, advertisements, etc. You will be removed from the parade if you are not following this important safety rule.***
- A float is defined as a flatbed trailer being towed by a motor vehicle, including an automobile or tractor. Each single entry unit must not exceed 60'. Maximum height for clearance under overhanging tree branches is 11'. All floats must have a safe trailer hitch.
- Parade entries must be fully decorated with the approved float materials (i.e.: flowers, natural vegetation, tinsel, float paper, paint, etc.) Undecorated entries will **not** be allowed to participate in the parade. Entries that bear the name of the business, school, or other sponsoring organization must be professionally lettered and clearly visible on both sides of the float.
- Elected officials or qualified candidates must be present to participate in the parade; representatives of elected officials or qualified candidates will not be permitted to participate in their place.
- Only kings/queens who hold local, regional, or nationally recognized titles and elected officials (or qualified candidates) will be permitted to ride on a convertible as a parade entry. ***PLEASE NOTE: Kings/queens under the age of 14 that wish to ride on a convertible will be asked to participate in the Children's Rose Bud Parade on Thursday, April 25, 2019.***
- All vehicles towing floats must be decorated, clean, and quiet.
- Use of animals in the Rose Parade must be pre-approved by the events office (call 229-227-4153 for pre-approval). All pre-approved horse entrants **ARE REQUIRED TO DIAPER THEIR HORSES.** Horses **MUST** be diapered, and you may have a pooper scooper in addition to diapers. You are **required** to clean up after your horses.

- Floats and parade units will be reviewed prior to the parade. Units that are deemed inappropriate, offensive, or un-safe will be removed from the parade. An accurate entry description that is consistent with your final entry is required with application.
- All drivers operating towing vehicles must be at least 18 years of age with a valid driver's license.
- Vehicle entries with multiple units (such as motorcycles) must be limited to no more than 9 vehicles and travel the parade route 2 or 3 abreast.
- The City of Thomasville reserves the right to limit the number of similar entries.
- Children younger than 14 are invited to participate in the Children's Rose Bud Parade, Thursday, April 25, 2019. You may obtain information on the Rose Bud Parade by calling (229) 227-7020.
- Upon acceptance, an official decal with an assigned line-up number will be mailed to parade participants on April 18<sup>th</sup>, 2019; we will use the address listed on your application. Rose Festival Parade entrants will not be permitted to travel the parade route without this official decal with the entry number.
- A completed application and/or participation in previous year(s) does not guarantee parade acceptance.
- **If you have any questions please call (229) 227-4136 or email Madison at [Events@thomasville.org](mailto:Events@thomasville.org) .**

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Return applications via mail, fax, or email to:

**City of Thomasville  
ATTN: Rose Show and Festival  
PO Box 1540  
Thomasville, GA 31799**

**[events@thomasville.org](mailto:events@thomasville.org)**

**Phone: 229.227.4136**

**Fax: 229.228.4188**

## 2019 Rose Parade Application

Type of Parade Entry:	
_____ Float ( <i>defined as a decorated trailer or entry that is towed by a vehicle or is self-propelled</i> )	# of floats _____
_____ Walking Unit ( <i>defined as dance teams, drill teams, or marching units</i> )	# walkers _____
_____ Vehicle Entry ( <i>defined as vehicle not towing a float</i> ) <b><i>Kings/queens, elected officials &amp; qualified candidates ONLY.</i></b> <b><i>Business vehicles will NOT be accepted.</i></b>	# of vehicles _____
Will your entry have music? YES NO (circle one)	

### All information is REQUIRED:

Parade entry name: \_\_\_\_\_

Sponsored by: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing address: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Contact Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address: \_\_\_\_\_

### TV Commentary and Entry Description:

To be included in the television coverage, please provide a written description below of the parade unit, sponsoring organization, and any facts that you would like to have mentioned as the unit proceeds through the grandstand seating area. Description should not exceed 35 words. The parade will be broadcast at a later date on CNS cable television. **Applications without descriptions will not be accepted.**

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The City of Thomasville reserves the exclusive right to accept or reject any parade unit's application and to make last minute adjustments in the placement of units in the parade lineup order. A parade unit that violates any applicable rule will be disqualified and removed from the Thomasville Rose Festival Parade.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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