



2021 HALLOWEEN WINDOW PAINTING GUIDELINES

1. The sponsors have reserved the right to limit the number of entries.
2. Window decorating is on Saturday, October 23rd during the hours of 9:00AM to 1:00PM. **All work must be finished by 1:00 PM.** Rain Day will be Sunday, October 24th, from 9:00AM to 1:00 PM.
3. **All paintings must be in good taste and have a Halloween Theme.**
4. Each participant will find their name on the banner at their assigned window, which will be emailed to their email address on household account, by October 21st. Participants will only be allowed to paint on this designated space (in between blue painters tape, not the entire window.)
5. **EACH PARTICIPANT WILL SUPPLY HIS/HER OWN PAINTS, BRUSHES, WATER, AND BUCKETS.**

THE DO's

Participants **MUST** stay within the lines drawn by the Recreation Department. All areas adjacent to painting must be covered with newspaper. Participants must cover non-glass areas with newspapers/drop cloths before starting to paint.

3M Blue Long Mask Tape has already been placed on the windows. Please make sure that your painter stays in between designated area.

Only **TEMPERA**, (water based paint), will be permitted. We suggest using either *Palmer* tempera paint or *Sanford* tempera paint, both are water based. Paint may be purchased at Catch a Falling Star, Michael's, or Playtime

Do not use any paint that says washable. Washable paint is not conducive for painting on windows. Participants may not use: Felt tip markers, crayons, chinamarkers, waxed base markers, permanent markers, pens or pencils.

Solid backgrounds are recommended as they hide store lettering or merchandise, which might detract from the painting. Please use light color backgrounds, such as white, light gray, light yellow, light green or light blue.

THE DONT's

Please do not allow paint to fall on sidewalk, brickwork, or any other area, but the merchant's window.

Please do not use duct tape, masking tape, packing tape or Scotch tape to mask off non-painting area.

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Dark color backgrounds may cause the window to crack. Such as, but not limited to: Black, Dark Gray, Dark Green, Navy Blue, Maroon, Dark Red, Dark Orange, Dark Brown.

WINDOW PAINTING SUPPLIES AND TIPS

PAINT - Use Tempera - water based paints. Palmer or Sanford brand is best - **DO NOT USE ANY PAINT THAT SAYS WASHABLE, THIS PAINT IS NOT CONDUCTIVE TO WINDOW PAINTING.**

- Premix special colors in small containers, e.g. 35mm empty film containers before arriving to paint.
- Foam recycled meat trays make great on site palettes

PAINT BRUSHES

- Small brushes are necessary for lettering and some shadow lines.
- Large brushes are needed for large objects.
- Several coffee cans for clean and dirty brushes are useful.
- Have clean water available in old milk 1/2 gallon jugs to change coffee can water as needed.
- Sponge brushes or Sponge rollers work well for backgrounds.

OTHER USEFUL SUPPLIES

- Pail or containers for water
- Small stool for standing on or sitting upon is helpful. (No larger than milk crate is allowed). **LADDERS ARE NOT ALLOWED!**
- Newspapers, plastic cloth, drop cloths, paper towels are recommended for placing on ground.
- A lot of rags for cleaning brushes spilled paint, etc.
- Bring a large carton box for all your supplies in case the wind is uncooperative.
- Each painter must bring a large plastic bag or box to dispose of all waste.
- All trash **MUST** be taken with you when you leave.
- Bring a snack and something to drink.
- Bring your practice design to help you paint.
- Remember: Be sure to wear warm clothes, if the weather is cool.

You may purchase all your supplies at Fells Hardware or Catch a Falling Star located in Winchester Center.

PARKING -

Please drop off your participant(s) at their painting site, then park your car in either the Aberjona Lot (across from the Post Office), the Waterfield Lot (next to the Chamber of Commerce), or the Town Hall parking lot. Those painting at Mahoneys, use the main parking lot (plenty of space.)

HAVE A CREATIVE AND FUN TIME!!!!!!!!!!