



57TH AZALEA FESTIVAL PARADE
SATURDAY, APRIL 6th, 2024 11:00 AM
THEME: 'FLOWER TUNES'

You're invited to participate in the 2024 Muskogee Azalea Festival Parade!

WHEN AND WHERE

Downtown Muskogee, April 6, 2024. 11:00 AM Parade Start Time.
(Parade details and entry form attached)

2024 PARADE THEME

This year the Azalea Parade theme is 'FLOWER TUNES'. Join us in a tribute to music inspired by flowers! You may find ideas from internet searches; e.g. 'songs about flowers', 'flower song titles', 'flower themes in music', etc. Or you may have a catchy flower tune already in your head! And, it's always appropriate to decorate to spring and/or the Azalea Festival!

WHO ENTERS THE PARADE?

Civic Clubs, pageant queens and kings, dance units, drill teams, marching bands, horse clubs, churches, schools, elected officials, dignitaries, VIPs, and anyone else who wants to celebrate springtime in Oklahoma and the Muskogee Azalea Festival.

HOW DO I ENTER?

Look over the enclosed guidelines, fill out the attached form and email it, drop it off, or mail it to the Muskogee Parks and Recreation Department before the deadline of 5:00 PM, Wednesday, March 27, 2024. Parade lineup and directions will be sent out on Friday, March 29th.

Entry into the Muskogee Azalea Parade is free.

Best Regards;

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APPLICATION FORM
57TH ANNUAL MUSKOGEE AZALEA FESTIVAL
PARADE – SATURDAY, APRIL 6, 2024
THEME: 'FLOWER TUNES'



(Please Print)

ORGANIZATION: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

TELEPHONE: _____

EMAIL: _____

CHECK THE CATEGORY BELOW THAT BEST DESCRIBES YOUR ENTRY

___ **COMMERCIAL FLOAT** – Floats in competition from for-profit companies such as banks, factories, restaurants, etc.

Float description: _____

___ **NONCOMMERCIAL FLOAT** – Floats in competition from non-profit groups such as schools, churches, civic clubs, etc.

Float description _____

___ **MARCHING BAND** – In competition? _____ (yes, no)

Marching band name: _____

___ **DRILL TEAM OR DANCE UNIT** – Using music? _____ (yes, no)

Drill team or dance unit name _____

___ **VIP** – Office or title _____

___ **ALL OTHER PARADE ENTRIES** – Pageants, car clubs, individuals, political campaigns, etc.

Name _____

Description _____

Number of vehicles _____ Number of walkers _____

Please complete and return entry form by 5:00 PM on Wednesday, MARCH 27, 2024.
There are no entry fees for the Muskogee Azalea Parade.

MAIL, FAX, EMAIL, OR DELIVER THIS ENTRY TO:

MUSKOGEE AZALEA PARADE

837 EAST OKMULGEE

MUSKOGEE, OK 74403 FAX: 918-684-6211

EMAIL: jeverett@muskogee.org



MUSKOGEE AZALEA PARADE GUIDELINES

General:

No controversial, political, or special causes that will detract from the Muskogee Azalea Parade.
No preaching, lecturing, or dissemination of dogma, creed, or religion by parade participants.

Parade Lineup Directions

Lineup numbers and directions to the lineup area will be sent by email or regular mail on Fri, March 29.

Marching Bands:

Marching bands will be judged in one division.

Float Maximum Dimensions:

Width: 15 feet

Heights: 14 feet

Length: 50 feet with towing vehicle

VIPS, Horses, and other entries not in competition

VIPS – for the purposes of the parade, VIPs are considered to be celebrities, public officials currently in office, dignitaries, and pageant winners.

Horses, Livestock – Must provide your own litter removal.

Others (car clubs, political campaigns, businesses, individuals) – Should decorate to the theme or to the Azalea Festival except in the case of classic cars, collectibles, antiques, etc.

Judging and Announcing Stand:

The judging/announcing stand will be located between 3rd and 4th on Broadway Street. Participants may perform at the judging stand. Performances should not be longer than 30 seconds as it can stall the parade.

Awards and Trophies:

- Best Overall Muskogee Azalea Parade Float
- Best Commercial Float
- Best Non Commercial Float
- Theme Award
- Best Dance Unit or Drill Team
- Best Marching Band

(The Muskogee Azalea Parade trophies will be presented at approximately 1:00 PM at the announcing stand on Broadway between 3rd and 4th Streets. (Trophies not picked up will be available at the Muskogee Parks & Recreation Department the following week.)