

## **ANNUAL SCARECROW FEST**

PROUDLY PRODUCED BY THE WILTON CHAMBER OF COMMERCE and ASML IN COOPERATION WITH THE TOWN OF WILTON + THE WILTON HISTORICAL SOCIETY

# OCTOBER 13<sup>th</sup> – 31<sup>st</sup>, 2023 OPEN TO WILTON BASED BUSINESSES, ORGANIZATIONS, CLUBS + FAMILIES

#### **HOW TO ENTER**

Entries will be limited to the first 50 submissions. Mail this form along with payment by **September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023** to: Wilton Chamber of Commerce, Attn: Scarecrow Fest, 86 Old Ridgefield Road Wilton, CT 06897

You may email your application form to <u>info@wiltonchamber.com</u>. Subject line: SCARECROW FEST APPLICATION. If you are submitting the application via email, please provide credit card information and a receipt will be emailed to you upon processing payment.

#### **SCARECROW KITS**

Each scarecrow kit costs \$45 (if you are paying with a credit card, a \$2.95 processing fee will be added to the invoice). The kit includes a wooden post frame and a bale of hay. Kits will be available at the Wilton Historical Society (224 Danbury Road) on **October 4<sup>th</sup> and 5<sup>th</sup> from 11AM – 4PM only**. All entrants must pick up their kit during these days and within the allocated time. **ENTRANTS ARE NOT PERMITTED TO PICK UP A KIT OUTSIDE OF THE DESIGNATED TIME**.

#### **INSTALLATION**

Entrants are responsible for delivering their completed scarecrow to the Wilton Historical Society October 11<sup>th</sup> and 12<sup>th</sup>, from 11AM – 4PM. All entrants will need to drop off their completed scarecrow during these two days and within the allocated time. ABSOLUTELY NO SCARECROWS WILL BE ACCEPTED OUTSIDE THE DESIGNATED TIME FRAME. Scarecrows will be installed by DPW and Parks and Recreation on Friday, October 13<sup>th</sup>. Scarecrows will be hung on Wilton Center lampposts through October 31<sup>st</sup>.



#### IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- Set up: Scarecrows must be completed and dropped off at the Wilton Historical Society between 11AM – 4PM, from October 11<sup>th</sup> through 12<sup>th</sup>. ABSOLUTELY NO EXCEPTIONS. NOTE: All entries must utilize the frame/post from the kit.
- Scarecrows must be constructed to withstand the weather and be in good taste.
  No entry will be accepted that reflects controversial or insensitive issues. We
  reserve the right to remove any entry that does not meet these standards. No
  handouts, promotional materials or free giveaways can be associated with any
  scarecrow entry.
- 3. Human scarecrows or mechanical scarecrows facilitated by a human are not permitted. No items such as tiki torches, gas-powered generators or any other flammable objects are allowed.
- 4. Please be advised that no security will be available to protect the scarecrows. The Wilton Chamber of Commerce, Town of Wilton or the Wilton Historical Society are not responsible for any loss or damage to entries.
- 5. One scarecrow entry per person, family, business, organization, or club will be accepted. An  $8 \frac{1}{2} \times 11$  laminated sign should be included on each entry containing both the participant's name and the name of the scarecrow.
- 6. Take Down: Scarecrows will be taken down by DPW and Parks and Recreation on Wednesday, November 1st. All scarecrows will be recycled/disposed accordingly and none of the materials used will be returned to the participants.

**NEW THIS YEAR:** Three scarecrow entries will be chosen for the following categories:

Most Creative Scarecrow - Best Traditional Scarecrow - Best "Wilton Themed" Scarecrow. Each winner will receive a \$150 Chamber of Commerce gift certificate redeemable at over two dozen local Wilton retail stores, restaurants, and service providers! \*Winners will be contacted via email by October 25, 2023.\*

For questions, please contact us at 203.762.0567 or e-mail info@wiltonchamber.com.



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### PLEASE COMPLETE THE OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM BELOW

Business/Organization/Individual Name:	
Name of Scarecrow:	Do you need the bale of hay: YES / NO
Contact Name:	
Phone:	_ E-mail Address:
Payment (Please check one): C	Check: Cash: Credit Card:
. , . ,	card, please complete the information below: fee will be applied to credit card purchases.
Name as it appears on cre	edit card:
Credit Card No	Exp. Date:
Security Code	
*Checks payable to: WILTON C	HAMBER OF COMMERCE
rules as outlined. I also hereby Commerce, Town of Wilton, or and agents from any and o	eby agree to the Wilton Chamber's Scarecrow Fest release and hold harmless the Wilton Chamber of The Wilton Historical Society, their employees, officers all claims for loss, damage or injury incurred by mployees or agents. Please make
Name:	
Signature:	Date:

Application and payment must be received by September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Entries after this date will be accepted based on availability.