

CARVED PUMPKIN CONTEST RULES:

1. All pumpkins must be carved/decorated and completed upon arrival at the Ballantyne Festival on October 10, 2015. **No carving will take place at the Ballantyne Festival on October 10, 2015. You must use a real pumpkin.**
2. Each entry must have your name, category and phone number attached securely to the back of the pumpkin on an index card or piece of paper.
3. Free hand designs, as well as carving kits and patterns may be used. Objects, paper and materials of any kind (including glitter, paint, markers, yarn, etc.) may be used, pinned or glued to the pumpkins. Participants may also draw or paint on their entries, cut designs into their pumpkins or dress them up. **No electrical device may be used as part of the entry.**
4. Participants are encouraged to have a title/name for each entry.
5. Entries will be judged on overall appearance, originality, and creativity.
6. Finished entries need to be free standing or attached to a foam core or plywood base enabling it to be free standing.
7. No flame candles allowed – battery operated or snap light only if a light is used; however, lights are not required.
8. We reserve the right to refuse any pumpkins that are deemed inappropriate.

Penny War Rules:

Each participating carved pumpkin will be placed on the judging table alongside a large clear jar. At noon, judging will open for the contest. The jars next to each pumpkin will be used to collect "votes." The type of money donated into the jars next to each pumpkin indicates how many "votes" a pumpkin will receive. All coins/bills are accepted. One penny = 1 vote, one nickel = 5 votes, one dime = 10 votes and one dollar = 100 votes. At 3:00 pm the jars will be removed and the money will be counted and votes will be tallied. The winner will be announced at 3:30 pm on the main and community stages. *****If we have an overwhelming response of "votes," due to time constrictions, we will notify the winner after the event via the winner's primary contact information.***

By entering the contest, participants accept and agree to these rules and the prize judging process, which shall be final. Participants also agree to allow the Ballantyne Festival to use images of the pumpkins for publicity and promotion. The Ballantyne Festival reserves the right to change the rules to better serve the goals of the contest and the well-being of our visitors.