

## 2022 Albany Downtown Twice Around Parade ~ Participant Rules

Parade Date: Sunday-December 4, 2022 Parade start time 5:00 pm

1. Entries must reflect a Holiday theme. All entries are encouraged to use lights.
2. **Santa Claus is provided by the Albany Downtown Association. NO OTHER SANTA IS ALLOWED.**
3. Entries may be historical, humorous, or modern in design, as long as they are in good taste. Remember a large part of the audience will be children.
4. Please identify only the sponsor(s) and/or builder of your entry/float. No other advertising is permitted. The advertisement may take up 20% of the entry.
5. Entries may not exceed ten (10) feet in width and twelve (12) feet in height.
6. Entries may use sound amplification for musical purposes, but not for addressing the audience. No speeches or campaigning, please! Music/sound must be no louder than 80-90 decibels.
7. The Parade will be held RAIN OR SHINE. Dress warm, be safe and have fun!

### Before the Parade

Staging Area & Check-In Opens at 4:00 pm

Staging area is Water Avenue and the parking lots between Broadalbin and Ferry

1. Each entry will be assigned a location in the parade, you will receive your entry number at check-in.
2. You are responsible for notifying all of your participants of your position.
3. Water Ave. will be limited to floats/entries and traffic dropping off material or people. **NO PARKING!**
4. Please check in at 4:00 pm, the Parade will start promptly at 5:00 pm.

### Judging

1. Judges will evaluate the entry's interpretation of the Parade theme (holiday) and use of lighting.
2. All entries will be judged during the parade. Judges are seated near the Downtown Community Christmas Tree.

### During the Parade

1. For the safety of all, no materials may be thrown along the parade route. This includes candy, flyers, literature, etc.
2. Parade speed is walk-pace 2-3 mph (max. 5 mph). Entries that falter may be asked to step aside and let others pass.
3. **DO NOT STOP IN THE MIDDLE OF THE STREET.** (Stopping holds up the parade progress).
4. **For the safety of participants and the enjoyment of viewers, please maintain 25 feet (2 car lengths) between entries.**
5. All motorcyclists **MUST** wear helmets - **DON'T RISK INJURY OR FINES!**
6. Dress warmly and prepare for any kind of weather. Bring extra clothing and warm blankets for children.
7. Animal entries (dogs, horses, goats, etc.) **CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR OWN ANIMALS.** Both in the staging area and on the parade route. All animals must be on a leash/halter or otherwise under control.

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### End of Parade

1. At the end of the Parade, all entries please return to Water Ave. to disband. This ensures that spectators along the full route see your entry twice.
2. Then we invite you to walk to the Two Rivers Market parking lot to gather for the Community Tree lighting.

### Please Note:

- Failure to adhere to the Parade rules may result in a one-year suspension from participation in the parade.
- In case of severe freezing temperatures or snow/ice, the parade may be postponed. The decision will be announced on area radio stations and the ADA Facebook page or call (541) 928-2469.



### LOST CHILDREN

**Lost Children will be brought to the Christmas Tree to be reunited with family.  
APD will be called as appropriate.**