

*The Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce
proudly presents the*

25th Annual
CHRISTMAS IN THE PASS

2010 ART CONTEST GUIDELINES

BACKGROUND

The Pass Christian Chamber is accepting submissions from visual and graphic artists for the 2010 Christmas in the Pass (CITP). No entry fee is required to participate.

Christmas in the Pass is one of Pass Christian's longest-running events. This year will mark our 25th year of fun in the streets of downtown Pass Christian, and our organizing committee has already started working to make it the festive, family-friendly event that our community has come to anticipate as the kick-off to the holiday season on the Gulf Coast!

Bring the whole family to enjoy for the annual tree lighting, parade with Santa, Mrs. Claus and their elves, live entertainment, great food, holiday games, antiques and crafts, all provided by the businesses and residents of Pass Christian. And while you're here, we hope you'll enjoy the Stars over Pass Christian - a collection of lighted stars adopted by families and friends of Pass Christian! We are especially proud to have been named as one of the Top 20 Events in the Southeast by the Southeast Tourism Society!

Mark your calendars for the 25th Annual Christmas in the Pass!

Friday, December 3, 2010

5:00 pm - 9:00 pm

Downtown Pass Christian, Mississippi

DATES AND DEADLINES

THE DEADLINE FOR SUBMITTING ART ENTRIES IS FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 24TH AT 5:00PM.

Drop-off: Entries must be delivered to the Pass Christian Chamber Of Commerce local office, inside The Peoples Bank at the corner of 2nd Street and

Davis Avenue, during the bank's normal business hours: Monday-Friday from 8:30 a.m. to 5 p.m.

Judging: The winning art will be selected during the first week of October and all artists will be notified of the results no later than the following week.

Pick-up: All artwork, other than the winner, may be picked up at the Chamber office after Christmas in the Pass concludes on Friday, December 3rd.

An official 'unveiling' will be held (date TBD). Artist will need to be available to participate in unveiling and willing to sign copies of the poster for sale.

ELIGIBILITY

All artists are invited to submit artwork for consideration.

ADJUDICATION

The winning entry will be the one that is judged to best capture the spirit and essence of Christmas in the Pass. The winning art's most important job is to be an attractive t-shirt that participants will want to buy. The art will also be used in advertising, promotions, websites, and on merchandise items (cards, aprons, posters, etc).

A panel of judges appointed by the CITP committee will select the winner. The public may be offered the opportunity to vote on their favorite and results will be used as input to the selecting committee. The Pass Christian Chamber is not obligated to use any of the submitted entries. The decision of the judges is final.

SPECIFICATIONS

1. Overall art size (image) must be must be at least 16" x 20" but no larger than 18" x 24".
2. Only original artwork on paper/canvas will be accepted.
3. Mediums allowed are: oil, acrylic, watercolor, pastel, pencil, charcoal. Mixing mediums is acceptable.
4. Actual artwork must be submitted, no slides.
5. All entries must be camera ready for suitable reproduction.
6. Artwork must not have been previously selected in any other program contests, or have been used commercially.
7. Limited to two (2) entries per artist.
8. Do not include any dates, writing, or words on the image.

9. Do not sign work, so that judging may be anonymous. The winning artist will sign work prior to printing.
10. Artwork should be mounted on foam board or poster board, as well as covered so as to protect the artwork. (shrinkwrap, wax paper, etc.) It must stand up on its own for judging. Oil and acrylics must be completely dry. Artist is responsible for protecting image surface.
11. All artwork becomes the property of Christmas in the Pass, and will be returned after the event.
12. All entries must have the Entry Form (below) attached to the back of the artwork.

AWARDS

The selected artist receives acknowledgement in all print media and on the website for the entire year, and an honorarium of \$300.

The Pass Christian Chamber will retain sole possession and all legal rights to the original artwork selected, including all reproduction and photographic rights, with credit for the artwork being given to the artist in all accompanying materials.

BENEFIT

Profits from the sale of merchandise will be used to offset the cost of CITP, to provide funds to a local food pantry and to other local non-profit organizations, as determined annually by the CITP committee.

CONTACT

If you have questions, please contact the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce, Emily Blackwell, passchristian@mscoastchamber.com, (601) 818-0059.

CHRISTMAS IN THE PASS ART CONTEST

Entry Form *(Affix to the back of artwork)*

Please print all information:

Name_____

Phone_____Alternate #_____

Address_____

City, State, Zip_____

Email_____

I agree to all contest rules and that, should I win, my original artwork and all image reproduction rights will become the property of the Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce. I certify that all work submitted is my original work.

Signature_____ Date_____

Deliver entries to:

Pass Christian Chamber of Commerce
Care of Peoples Bank
301 East 2nd Street (Corner of Davis Avenue)
Pass Christian, MS 39571

May be dropped off during normal bank business hours, Monday-Thursday 9-4pm, Friday 9-5pm.