**Have Fun use your Imagination!**

- Entries will be subject to Minnesota weather for two months and viewed by thousands of visitors. Make scarecrow construction as weatherproof and indestructible as possible.
- **Make them big!** Guests are impressed with large towering structures.
  - Facial expressions are often the first thing viewers notice.
  - Stuffing bags or newspaper inside plastic bags works well.
  - For hair and head, use gourds, yarn, a broom, corn, raffia, old mops, pot, basketball, burlap, or pillowcase.

**Disclaimer:** The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum cannot be held responsible for submissions that are damaged, lost, or stolen. Entries must be suitable for viewing by children. Entries reflecting controversial political or social subject matter, in poor taste for family viewing, or overtly commercial or promotional in nature will not be displayed. The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum reserves the right to reject any entry that does not meet the listed qualifications and to remove any scarecrow that deteriorates to an unacceptable level, including abuse by visitors. A sign, created by the Arboretum, will acknowledge the entity that created the scarecrow. No additional handouts, promotional materials, or free giveaways can be associated with any entry unless approved by Arboretum staff. The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum reserves the right to use photographs of exhibits and entrant information for promotional purposes.
The Minnesota Landscape Arboretum invites entries for “Scarecrows in the Gardens,” the fourth juried exhibition of original and naturally crafted scarecrows that capture the wondrous flavors of the Minnesota harvest season. 

**ENTRY & AWARD CATEGORIES**

Anyone can enter, including local businesses, Arboretum members, volunteers, visitors, individuals and families, corporate teams, and teams of all ages. Six free Arboretum guest passes will be awarded for each entry.

**Categories are:**
- **Design Professionals:** Individuals and businesses receiving payment for design services.
- **Organizations:** Clubs, societies, businesses, community and non-profit organizations.
- **Individuals and Families:** Includes all ages.

**AWARDS**

The top three entries overall will receive an Arboretum Gift Store gift card.

- **First Prize Winners** - $100 Arboretum Gift Store gift card
- **Second Prize Winners** - $75 Arboretum Gift Store gift card
- **Third Prize Winners** - $50 Arboretum Gift Store gift card
- **People’s Choice Winner** - $50 Arboretum Gift Store gift card

Winners will be chosen by a select panel of Arboretum members and will be contacted via phone or email by October 31, 2012. Decisions are final. Unclaimed awards will be mailed to winners by November 30, 2012.

**People’s Choice Award** - Visitors will be invited to cast a vote for their favorite entry through Sunday, November 4, 2012. The People’s Choice winner will be notified by November 11, 2012.

**SCHEDULE**

- **Friday, August 24**  
  Application deadline. (For deadline extension email kells006@umn.edu)

- **Friday-Saturday, August 31 - September 1, 11 a.m. – 3 a.m.**  
  Deliver entries to Margot Picnic Shelters.

- **Saturday, September 8 – November 4**  
  “Scarecrows in the Gardens” exhibition.

- **Wednesday, October 31**  
  2 p.m. – Winners announced online at www.arboretum.umn.edu

- **Sunday, November 4**  
  Final day of “Scarecrows in the Gardens” exhibition.

**DELIVERY**

Fully assembled scarecrows must be brought to the Arboretum’s Margot Picnic Shelter area by Friday or Saturday, August 31 – September 1, between 11 a.m. and 3 p.m. Arboretum staff will install and determine the placement of all entries. All scarecrows must have a weatherproof label attached with the entrant’s name, title of scarecrow, and entry category.

**INSTALLATION**

The Arboretum will provide a steel fence post, approximately 4 feet above ground and 3 feet below. We suggest your scarecrow be built so it can be securely wired or roped to the post. Alternatively, build your scarecrow with a central PVC pipe support that slides down the supporting fense post. Scarecrows may also be free-standing or sitting.

**APPLICATION FORM**

I/we understand that the entry will be recycled upon completion of the exhibition unless noted otherwise.

By submitting the form below I/we plan to produce one entry to “Scarecrows in the Gardens,” a juried exhibit, and agree to comply with the published conditions and requirements. One entry only per application. Proceeds benefit the Minnesota Landscape Arboretum. Scarecrow entry fee is $20.00

**CATEGORY** (check one):  
- **Design Professional**  
- **Individual/Family**  
- **Organization**

**CONTACT NAME**  

**ADDRESS**  

**CITY**  

**STATE/ZIP**  

**PHONE**  

**EMAIL**  

**DESIGNER/DESIGN TEAM** (required for exhibit signage)  

**TITLE OF SCARECROW** (required for exhibit signage)  

**DESCRIPTION** (materials, size, etc. – 25 words max)  

**PAYMENT TYPE** (check one):  
- Check  
- Visa  
- Discover  
- American Express  
- Mastercard

**EXPIRATION DATE**  

**CREDIT CARD #**  

**MAIL $20.00 ENTRY FEE AND APPLICATION TO:**  
Scarecrows in the Gardens  
Minnesota Landscape Arboretum  
3675 Arboretum Drive • Chaska, MN 55318-9613

For more information, call (952-443-4401), or email kells006@umn.edu.