

**Downtown Dunedin Merchant Association
26th Annual Dunedin Mardi Gras Parade
“Bourbon Street Meets Main Street” is this year’s theme
Tuesday, February 28th 2017
PARADE APPLICATION**

Sponsoring Group/Business:

Mailing Address:

City:

_____ State: _____ Zip: _____

CONTACT PERSON: _____ PHONE: _____

Email: _____

TYPE OF ENTRY –

NON-PROFIT ENTRY FEE: \$100.00

GENERAL ENTRY FEE: \$150.00

(Make All Checks Payable to DDMA)

___ FLOAT Name/Title appearing on Float: _____

Total length including tow unit: _____

Width: _____ Height: _____

Music on Float: Yes ___ No ___ Number of riders: _____

___ BAND (Walking or Marching) Number in Band: _____

___ GOLF CART Number of Carts _____

___ WALKING UNIT – NO VEHICLES (Includes twirlers, scout troops, etc)

Number of walkers _____

___ MOTORIZED VEHICLE(S) WITH WALKERS

Number of vehicles _____ Number of walkers _____

Type of vehicles _____

Total Length _____

___ MOTORIZED VEHICLE(S) – NO WALKERS

Number of vehicles _____ (Max 3)

Type of vehicles _____

Total Length _____

___ OTHER Describe: Number in group _____ *Example: Horses, Dog Groups, etc.*

Total length of your unit(s) including tow vehicles: _____ (Max 3 vehicles or 100 feet, except professionally built floats)

PROOF OF LIABILITY INSURANCE COVERAGE IS REQUIRED FOR MOTORIZED UNITS. A COPY OF LIABILITY INSURANCE MUST BE ATTACHED WITH THIS APPLICATION.

****THE PARADE COMMITTEE HAS THE FINAL DECISION ON ALL PARADE ENTRIES****

If, after submitting your application, you are unable to participate, please contact us ASAP so that we may adjust the line-up.

By signing this, we, as sponsors of this parade entry, agree to abide by the attached policies and the rules and regulations of the Mardi Gras Parade. The Parade participants and its members hold the Downtown Dunedin Merchants Association, its representatives, committees, sponsors, volunteers and the City of Dunedin harmless for any accident, injury, loss, personal liability, damages or claims suffered or incurred during the DDMA “Dunedin Mardi Gras” Event.

APPLICANT'S SIGNATURE

_____ Date _____

Check Payable to DDMA

Return To: DDMA Attn: Parade PO Box 2112,
Dunedin, FL 34697

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Please tell us about your entry

1. Float _____ Band _____ Other (list)

2. Organization/company sponsoring
unit: _____

3. E-mail Address:

4. Contact Name: _____

Phone: (Day) _____ (Eve _____)

5. Who will ride or walk with the unit. (Ex. employees, volunteers):

6. If float - Length: _____ Width: _____ Height: _____
Built by: _____

7. If band - How many members: _____

8. If pre-recorded music - what type of music will be
played? _____

- 9b. History of organization
company: _____

10. Costume or dress of riders or walkers (if any)

10. Range of ages of people in group:

112. If animals in unit, what type?

12. Special
comments: _____

Questions please call us at 727-437-356p or email
events@dunedinmerchants.com

To ensure your place in the parade, please have
application returned with payment by :

February 5, 2017

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POLICIES AND REQUIREMENTS

Entering the Parade area:

All floats, cars, including antique cars, boats, and all other units are to enter the staging area from the south end of Douglas Ave at the corner of Union and proceed north to the staging area. Parade Staff will direct you to your line-up positions.

FLOAT DRIVERS ARE CAUTIONED TO BE ALERT FOR ANY OVERHANGING TREES IN THE AREA.

- Units should be in place by 5:45 p.m. **DO NOT ARRIVE EARLIER THAN 5:00 P.M.** Riders must arrive by 7:00 p.m.
- All parties specifically agree that the owner and sponsor accept full responsibility for protection against personal injury and property damage in the operation of said unit.

- It is clearly understood that the necessary personnel to staff the entry and costumes will be provided by the sponsoring organizations.
- **A DRIVER MUST REMAIN WITH THE FLOAT AT ALL TIMES.** You should maintain a 1.5 float length interval at all times.
For easier entrance into the staging area, PLEASE bring your staging unit number with you.
- All floats and tow units should be decorated.
- For safety reasons, please do not encourage the children along the route to come out onto the roadway for any reason.
- It is strongly suggested that items not be thrown from your unit into the crowd or onto the street, for both the parade watchers safety and your liability. Candy and other giveaways should be handed out by walkers or children no less than 14 years of age.
- Once in line and moving with the parade, remember you are part of the total show. Please maintain a distance of 35 feet behind the unit in front of you. Parade staff along the route will notify if you are too close or far away. Please no slowing down for photographs once the parade starts. If your unit becomes disabled, try and pull to one side to allow the parade to proceed around you. If able you may re-enter the parade.

Disbanding:

The Parade ends at the corner of Douglas and State Rd 580. All units will turn right. Floats and other parade units that need to break down or drop off riders should pull over to right hand curb of State Rd 580. Units that do not need to stop should proceed to the nearest intersection to enter traffic flow and if necessary loop back around to the staging area to drop people off at their cars. DO NOT try and re-enter the downtown Dunedin core as it is closed to traffic. We encourage all participants to join us downtown for the live music, food and fun.

Rider Information:

WHERE TO GO: Report to the staging along the west side the Dunedin Blue Jays “Florida Auto Exchange” Stadium and Dunedin Public Library, on Douglas between Union and Beltrees. There is some parking in the Stadium lots, there are also a limited number of spaces available on the streets.

Riders must be with their units by 7pm.

Minimum age of persons riding the Float must be no less than fourteen (14) years of age, unless accompanied by an adult.

REMEMBER, as the starting time approaches, traffic in this area will become very congested, many of the streets will be closed to traffic, and parking will be limited. Please allow yourself ample time to arrive.

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