

HALLOWEEN CHALK WALK

2026 RULES & CRITERIA

Artist Rules & Guidelines

1. Registration Required

- All artists must register and be assigned an official art square.

2. Art Square

- Artwork must remain completely within the assigned square.
- Artists may not chalk on buildings, walls, trees, sidewalks outside their square, or other unassigned areas.
- Please respect neighboring artists and do not walk through or damage another artist's work.

3. Chalk Only

- No paint of any kind may be used.
- The base layer may only be calcium sulfate/water-soluble sidewalk chalk.
- Festival-provided base chalk will be available at the registration table while supplies last.
- Artists are responsible for providing their own chalk pastels for detail work.
- No oil pastels, acrylics, tempera, spray chalk, markers, crayons, ink, glitter, metallic foil, or other non-chalk materials.

4. No Fixatives

- No fixatives of any kind may be used, including hairspray or other products intended to preserve the artwork.

5. **This Year's Theme: HAUNTED PIRATES**

To be included on the official QR Code People's Choice voting list, the artwork must clearly connect to the year's theme of Haunted Pirates. Suggested themes include, but are not limited to: Pirate ships, oceans & waves, Nautical tools, Treasure & treasure maps, Beaches & tropical islands, Pirate hideouts, Curses & haunted legends, Sea monsters & sea legends, Tropical animals, Pirates

& novelty Ocean/Pirate characters, Ships/Shipwrecks, Lighthouses, Mermaids. Just as examples - be Creative, but obvious for staff to tie the association to the theme.

6. Family-Friendly Artwork

- Artwork must be appropriate for a public, family-friendly festival.
- No profanity, nudity, sexually explicit material, hate speech, or inappropriate imagery.
- Festival organizers reserve the right to remove artwork that does not meet these guidelines. This type of family-friendly provision is common in chalk competitions.

7. Original Artwork

- Original designs are encouraged.
- If an artist uses another artist's work or an existing image as inspiration/reference, appropriate credit should be given where applicable.
- Artists should not reproduce another artist's work and present it as their own.

8. Chalksticks Up!

- At the announced cutoff time, there will be a strict 'CHALKSTICKS UP!' call. All drawing must stop immediately.
- Artists may not add, touch up, or alter their artwork after the cutoff.
- Artwork tape should be pulled up ONCE IT IS READY FOR JUDGING.

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9. People's Choice Voting

- Only registered art squares that meet the Haunted Pirates theme requirement will be placed on the official QR Code voting list.
- Each artsquare will be assigned number, if it qualifies that number is listed for voting.
- Public voting will determine the People's Choice winner(s), according to the festival's voting procedures. One Winner per Age Category.

10. Artist Categories: Category Age Little Buccaneers Under 7, Junior Pirates 8-10, Young Buccaneers 11-13, Teen Pirates 14-17, Adult Mateys 18+

Age is determined on the day of the festival.

11. Keep Your Area Clean

- Keep chalk, water, food, chairs, bags, and other supplies contained within your assigned area as much as reasonably possible. While you are creating your art there will be spectators walking around. Please KEEP WALK WAYS CLEAR.
- Please clean up personal supplies and trash when finished, daily.
- Artists are responsible for taking home personal equipment and materials.

12. Weather & Safety

- Chalk art is an outdoor activity and may be affected by wind, rain, heat, or other weather conditions.
- Artists are responsible for protecting their own artwork and belongings from weather.
- Please do not use materials or equipment that create a safety hazard or interfere with other artists or festival guests.

13. Festival Photography

- Artists understand that photographs and video of the artwork and festival may be taken and used for festival promotion, social media, websites, and future event advertising.

14. Rules & Eligibility

- Festival organizers reserve the right to determine whether artwork meets the rules and theme requirements.
- Artwork that uses prohibited materials, extends outside the assigned square, or does not meet the festival requirements may be removed from competition or excluded from public voting.

15. Stencils & Transfer Methods

Artists may use basic measuring tools, grids, rulers, or artist-created guides to help with their artwork. Pre-made stencils, projected images, or transfer methods may not be used.

Theme Eligibility: Artwork must have an identifiable connection to the Haunted Pirates theme to qualify for People's Choice voting. The connection may be literal, creative, humorous, spooky, nautical, or story-based. Festival organizers will make the final determination of theme eligibility.

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