

**DARIEN YOUTH COMMISSION
HOLIDAY WINDOW PAINTING FUN
EQUIPMENT RECOMMENDATIONS LIST**

**ALL PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR FACE MASKS; SOCIAL DISTANCING
REQUIRED AS WELL.**

It is suggested that the contestants have the following equipment with them:

- Assorted art brushes of various sizes
- Pails, empty cans or other containers for mixing the paints
- Water (for clean-up)
- Rags and/or paper towels for cleaning brushes and spills
- Masking tape to mark window borders
- Newspapers to spread below project to catch paint
- A large bag or box for trash & newspapers (keep in mind bags can blow away)
- WEAR WARM CLOTHING!!

PAINT: Paints will be provided: liquid tempera paints will be issued in the KOONS PARKING LOT (Train Station Parking Lot corner of West Ave & Leroy) at 9:30 a.m. the day of the contest. Included with paints will be a small bag of "Bon Ami" cleanser. One teaspoon per 8 ounces of paint helps paint to adhere to windows.

WINDOWS: Window Assignments will be available at the Darien Youth Commission after school on Thursday, December 3. Feel free to call - 203-656-7388 or 203-656-7326 for your team's assignment. Otherwise, you will receive your assignment on Saturday morning when you pick up the paints. As a reminder, we ask that you tape the edge of the window on all sides to keep paint from getting on window frames and/or building.

WAIVER/RELEASE: As a reminder, no student will be permitted to participate without submitting the waiver/release signed by parent or guardian.

DARIEN YOUTH COMMISSION

HOLIDAY WINDOW PAINTING FUN RULES

SATURDAY, DECEMBER 5

PARTICIPANTS MUST WEAR FACE MASKS AND MAINTAIN SOCIAL DISTANCING

This contest is open to all Darien residents in Grades 6 – 12 (public, private & home school students are eligible).

Participants will enter free of charge. Participants must submit a waiver/release signed by parent or guardian to be able to take part in the contest. ***NO STUDENT WILL BE PERMITTED TO PARTICIPATE WITHOUT SUBMITTING THIS DOCUMENT.***

Decorating will be on Saturday, December 5 from 10:00 a.m. – 1:00 p.m. unless otherwise arranged with the Youth Director.

The Darien Youth Commission will supply the paints. **CONTESTANTS MUST PICK UP PAINTS ON 10/24 AT 9:30 A.M. at the KOONS LOT (train station lot at Leroy & West).**

EACH PARTICIPANT WILL SUPPLY HIS/HER OWN BRUSHES AND CONTAINERS TO FOR THE PAINTS. IN ADDITION, CONTESTANTS MUST BRING SUPPLIES FOR CLEANING UP (INCLUDING RAGS & WATER), AND REMOVE ANY TRASH RESULTING FROM PARTICIPATION. (See attached list of “Equipment Needed” for guidelines.)

Participants will be disqualified if paint drips on the sidewalk, brick work or any area other than the merchant’s window. Therefore, you must cover the non-glass area before starting.

Participants need to leave a one-inch border free from paint around their work to prevent paint from getting on building. (Taping off edges with masking tape is a good way to accomplish this.)

Each team will print team number in the lower corner of the window in white paint.

Please be mindful that most merchants will be conducting business during the hours of the contest. Please do not interfere with the business taking place in the store (or of neighboring merchants) whose window is being painted (i.e. using rest rooms, borrowing water or other supplies). These merchants are really looking forward to supporting your involvement in this annual event. Please remember you are representing the Town of Darien by participating in this “fun-raiser!”

Questions? Call the Darien Youth Commission at 203-656-7388.

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