Parade Participant Application
Twinkle Light Parade
Saturday, December 1, 2012

WE ARE MOVING!
The 2012 Twinkle Light Parade will be held in Nob Hill in conjunction with the Holiday Shop & Stroll.

Name of Entry _____

Organization _____ Contact Name _____

Mailing Address _____City/State/Zip_____

Contact Phone _____Alternate Phone _____Email _____

Length of entry (in feet, for staging purposes) _____

Provide a detailed description of your entry (attach a separate sheet if necessary). All entries are required to have a holiday theme and include the minimum number of lights. Entries must be family friendly. The Twinkle Light Parade is one of the state's premier holiday events, so take pride in your entry. Entries without the minimum number of lights will not be allowed to participate. Please describe your entry and indicate the number of vehicles, people, animals, etc. participating:

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Awards:
The top three entries in each category, as determined by our judges, will receive a non-monetary award. The top entry overall will be crowned "Best in Show" and will be awarded a cash prize of **$500**.

Entry Fees:

- ☐ $100 for commercial entries
- ☐ $50 for nonprofits, schools, and community entries
- ☐ $25 for single families and single vehicle entries (non commercial)
- ☐ FREE for all government and active military entries

A check made out to the City of Albuquerque must be submitted along with your application. Do not send cash. We do not accept credit cards.

Please check only one category below:

	Government		Community Float
	Group Walking Performance		Vehicle (1-2)
	Commercial Float		Car Club (limit six vehicles)
	Equestrian		Motorcycle Club (limit 12 motorcycles)
	Specialty Walking		Misfit

Applications must be received by Friday, November 16, 2012.
Late entries will not be accepted.

Twinkle Light Parade
Rules and Regulations

The parade is meant to be fun for the community; however safety is the number one priority for both parade entrants and spectators.

1. **ENTERIES: A maximum of 100 entries** will be accepted at the parade. FIRST COME, FIRST SERVE.
2. **SANTA:** As there is only one Santa, there can only be one Santa in the parade, and he is coming by special invitation of the City of Albuquerque. Any other Santas in the parade will be asked to Un-Santa or risk disqualification.
3. **LIGHTS:** All Entries, including tow vehicles, must be decorated, and well-lit with festive, holiday lighting. All floats are required to have a **minimum of 2,500 lights**, and individual vehicles must have a minimum of 400 lights. Walking entries must display a minimum of two sets of battery powered lights, or a 22 inch glow product, PER PERSON. Other glow products may be substituted as long as the entrant is well-lit. This includes any type of parade entry, wagons, bikes, carriages, animals, etc. THERE IS NO SUCH THING AS TOO MANY LIGHTS!
4. **THEME**: All entries must incorporate a holiday theme, into their entry in addition to lighting requirements.
5. **CAR CLUBS**: The number of Car Clubs will be **limited to 10**, and they will be accepted on a first come, first serve basis. Additionally, the number of cars per club is limited to six. (Different chapters of the same club will not be accepted.) There is a limit of 12 motorcycles per Motorcycle Club, but no limit on the number of Motorcycle Clubs.
6. **MUSIC:** Holiday music is encouraged at a reasonable volume, however sound systems may not be used for broadcasting messages or agendas.
7. **RELIGION:** Religious expression is permitted, but please be respectful to all faiths and refrain from proselytizing.
8. **LENGTH:** There is no limit to the length of an entry, but height cannot exceed 14 ft. (to fit under the street lights.) The length of the entry on the application is for staging purposes, please be as accurate as possible (i.e. while a Drill Team of 15 might take up 30' while walking, it does not need 30' to stage).
9. **MATERIALS:** All materials used must be flame retardant. A properly rated, currently tagged fire extinguisher is required for each applicable entry. All wiring must be secured to prevent personal injury and equipment damage. All connections must be made with UL-approved electrical boxes and devices. Portable generators/compressors must be securely mounted, and a minimum distance of one foot from any combustible material. Generators/ Compressors must be equipped with firmly attached exhaust systems that terminate into a common exhaust serving the vehicle or in the same manner of vehicle exhaust. Insurance and liability are the sole responsibility of the entrant. Fire Marshal will have final say on all regulations.
10. **HANDOUTS:** Throwing of any items is strictly prohibited. PLEASE DO NOT THROW CANDY. Walking entrants may hand out appropriate holiday items. Distribution of literature or coupons is not allowed.
11. **Instructions by Parade Staff must be followed at all times. Violations will result in immediate disqualification.**

I have read the attached Rules and Regulations and agree to abide by them.
Signature_____ **Date**_____

For more information, please call 768-3556, 311 or Relay NM 711.
Mail to: CSD/ Special Events Twinkle Light Parade, PO Box 1293, Albuquerque, NM 87103
Bring to: Cultural Services Dept., City Hall, Suite 605, 400 Marquette NW, Albuquerque, NM 87102