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Tenth anniversary Maize Days seeks T-shirt design

MURPHY (June 5, 2018) An extended deadline has been set for the 2018 Maize Days T-shirt Design Contest, a chance for budding artists and graphics enthusiasts to see their inspiration on the front of the official Tenth Anniversary Maize Days T-shirt and win \$250 in the process.

“The contest is open to anyone, of course, but we’re hoping to give students, hobbyists and other non-professional artists the opportunity to showcase their talent,” says Kayla McFarland, Special Events Coordinator. “Deadline to enter the design is 5 p.m., Friday, June 14.”

Entry into the contest includes filling out an online entry form and uploading an image. This can be accomplished at www.murphytx.org/745/t-shirt-design-contest.

The winner will receive a \$250 Visa gift card and will have their T-shirt design printed on the front of the 2018 Maize Days T-shirts.

Entry rules include:

- Deadline is **5 p.m. on June 14, 2018.**
- Artwork must be original. Entrants cannot cut and paste from any other artwork.
- All artwork must be family-friendly.
- All artwork must reference the 10th Annual Maize Days theme.
- One design per person may be submitted.
- Artwork must be a transparent PNG file uploaded with the entry form or submitted via email to murphymaizedays@murphytx.org.
- The design dimensions are a minimum of 7 inches by 7 inches and a maximum of 9 inches by 9 inches.
- Artwork will be printed in full color.
- Artwork must be accompanied by a completed entry form.
- A panel of Murphy staff will determine finalists, and the winner will be selected by the City Council.
- The winner will be notified by the email provided on the entry form and announced at the June 19 City Council meeting.
- City of Murphy staff are not eligible to enter.
- Once submitted, all artwork becomes the property of the City of Murphy and may be used in, but not limited to, promotions, advertisements, etc.
- The winner will receive a \$250 Visa gift card and a Maize Days VIP swag bag with various Maize Days items and VIP access.

“This should be fun for lots of people, and profitable for the winner,” said McFarland. “But it’s also our way of keeping the festival a truly community event.”

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ABOUT MURPHY -- Murphy is a fast-growing community located in Collin County. The population is approximately 19,330, generally characterized as highly educated with a median household income above the state average. With more than 70 percent of the land developed, the community is dominated by single-family residences. City planners strive to preserve a country feel while exhibiting an aggressive economic development stance. Money Magazine has dubbed Murphy as the 27th Best Place to Live in America for small cities, and D Magazine placed Murphy as the fifth best suburb in the 2014 list, where it has consistently ranked in the top 10.