2012 HALLOWEEN WINDOW PAINTING GUIDELINES

* The sponsors have reserved the right to limit the number of entries.
* Window decorating is on Saturday, October 20th anytime from 9:00 am to 1:00 PM. **All work must be finished by 1:00 PM.** Rain Day will be Sunday, October 21st, from 9:00 am to 1:00 PM.
* **All paintings must be in good taste and have a Halloween Theme.**
* Each participant will find their name on the banner at their assigned window, which will be mailed to their home. Participants will only be allowed to paint on this designated space.

5. **EACH PARTICPANT WILL SUPPLY HIS/HER OWN PAINTS, BRUSHES, WATER, AND BUCKETS.**

# DO’s

* Participants **MUST** stay within the lines drawn by the Recreation Department. All areas adjacent to painting must be covered with newspaper. Participants must cover non-glass areas with newspapers/drop cloths before starting to paint.
* Please use 3M Blue Long Mask Tape by Scotch is easier to remove from the windows. Can be bought at Fells or Home Depot.
* **Only TEMPERA, (water based paint),** will be permitted. We suggest using either *Palmer* tempera paint or *Sanford* tempera paint, both are water based. Paint may be purchased at Catch a Falling Star, Michael’s, or Playtime
* Solid backgrounds are recommended as they hide store lettering or merchandise, which might detract from the painting. Please use light color backgrounds, such as white, light gray, light yellow, light green or light blue.

# DON’Ts

Please do not allow paint to fall on sidewalk, brickwork, or any other area, but the merchant’s window.

Please do not use duct tape, masking tape, packing tape or Scotch tape to mask off non-painting area.

Do not use any paint that says washable. Washable paint is not conducive for painting on windows. Participants may not use:Felt tip markers, crayons, chinamarkers, waxed base markers, permanent markers, pens or pencils.

Dark color backgrounds may cause the window to crack. Such as, but not limited to: Black, Dark Gray, Dark Green, Navy Blue, Maroon, Dark Red, Dark Orange, Dark Brown.

# WINDOW PAINTING SUPPLIES AND TIPS

PAINT - Use Tempera - water based paints. Palmer or Sanford brand is best - **DO NOT USE ANY PAINT THAT SAYS WASHABLE, THIS PAINT IS NOT CONDUCIVE TO WINDOW PAINTING**.

* Premix special colors in small containers, e.g. 35mm empty film containers before arriving to paint.
1. Foam recycled meat trays make great on site palettes
2. Bon Ami cleanser mixed with paints adds thickness and helps maintain paint on window. **HOWEVER, DO NOT USE MORE THAN ONE TEASPOON OF BON AMI PER 8 OZ. OF PAINT. ALSO DO NOT USE ANY OTHER CLEANSER OTHER THAN BON AMI, IT DOESN’T SEEM TO WORK AS WELL.**

**PAINT BRUSHES**

1. Small brushes are necessary for lettering and some shadow lines.
2. Large brushes are needed for large objects.
3. Several coffee cans for clean and dirty brushes are useful.
4. Have clean water available in old milk 1/2 gallon jugs to change coffee can water as needed.
5. Sponge brushes or Sponge rollers work well for backgrounds.

**OTHER USEFUL SUPPLIES**

1. Pail or containers for water
2. Small stool for standing on or sitting upon is helpful. (No larger than milk crate is allowed). **LADDERS ARE NOT ALLOWED**!
3. Newspapers, plastic cloth, drop cloths, paper towels, and 3m Blue Long Mask Tape are useful in masking off painted store fronts, brickwork, sidewalk, and any other non-painting areas. **DO NOT USE DUCT TAPE, MASKING TAPE, PACKING TAPE OR SCOTCH TAPE.**
4. A lot of rags for cleaning brushes spilled paint, etc.
5. Bring a large carton box for all your supplies in case the wind is uncooperative.
6. Each painter must bring a large plastic bag or box to dispose of all waste.
7. All trash **MUST** be taken with you when you leave.
8. Bring a snack and something to drink.
9. Bring your practice design to help you paint.
10. Remember: Be sure to wear warm clothes, if the weather is cool.

## SUPPLY LOCATIONS

* **You may purchase all your supplies at Fells Hardware or Catch a Falling Star located in Winchester Center.**

**PARKING** -

Please drop off your participant(s) at their painting site, then park your car in either the Aberjona Lot (across from the Post Office), the Waterfield Lot (next to the Chamber of Commerce), or the Town Hall parking lot.

**HAVE A CREATIVE AND FUN TIME!!!!!!!!**