

2009 Trees of Diversity Call for Exhibitors



November 20, 2009 - January 4, 2010

Utah Cultural Celebration Center
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CulturalCelebration.org

The UCCC invites you or your community group to participate in the 2009 Trees of Diversity exhibit

The Utah Cultural Celebration Center, for the past six years, has featured a holiday tree exhibit in the Celebration Gallery. Each year the number of groups involved has grown and grown. The purpose of this exhibit is to bring the community together in the Celebration of various holiday traditions not only from different countries but from different religious backgrounds and various family or community traditions. The tree is used as a symbol of friendship and is used to display the art and artifacts representing the richness of our community traditions.



Trees of Diversity 2009 will have over 50 trees and holiday scenes created by various community and ethnic groups. For this exhibit, we will also be displaying artifacts and other historical items from around the world. If you know of someone who has a culturally significant or particularly beautiful crèche that would be interested displaying it publicly, please let us know, and we will be happy to extend an invitation to them to participate. We are also making a call for gingerbread houses. Please feel free to visit our website www.CulturalCelebration.org for some idea of what has been displayed in the past.

The Center will supply a pre-lit artificial tree, assembled with a stand. All trees that are displayed should have some kind of a skirt around the bottom to give the tree a finished look. Your tree will be placed by Center personnel, based on the overall themes and space requirements. The trees will be available to decorate on Saturday, November 14th beginning at Noon. The week of November 16-20 will be for final touches to the exhibit and judging. You may also decorate offsite and then deliver to the Center. The exhibit will be open to the public from November 20th until January 4th 2010.



If you would like to create a scene around your tree with art, sculpture, toys, trees, snow or large pieces etc., you will need to visit with the exhibit coordinator to see how this will fit into the overall exhibit. Larger displays are welcome and the more ethnic, elegant and elaborate the better. We have trees that are 5', 6', 8', 10' and one 18' tree. The wreaths are 5 feet across. Gingerbread houses will be displayed on tables or platforms.



We welcome participants to build villages or Holiday scenes that can be viewed from all sides. Trees will be displayed in the Celebration Gallery, Boardroom Gallery, the Great Hall stage, lower level Atrium, Crossroads Hall and Center entries. We will have several thousand people during the months of November and December that will visit the center and enjoy the exhibit.

Exhibit Artwork

Participants are invited to display holiday themed paintings, sculpture, tapestries, nativity scenes, etc. A limited number of platforms and display cases can be provided. If you or your community group has an ornament you would like to donate to the Utah Cultural Celebration Center, please contact Ross Olsen, Executive Director at 801-965-5070 or rolsen@wvc-ut.gov.



None of the displays are to be sold. All exhibit items will be returned to community members immediately following the exhibit. If requested, the items may be stored at the UCCC, to be refreshed and updated each year. None of the displays can directly promote products or businesses. Each tree should follow the overall theme of diversity. Please realize that we do not permit banners, signs, political statements, or soliciting of any kind during this exhibit. All trees or displays must be approved by the Executive Director of the UCCC.

To participate in the Trees of Diversity Exhibit contact:
Anna Cutler at 801-965-5070 or anna.cutler@wvc-ut.gov

Other Holiday events at the Utah Cultural Celebration Center
include our Free Monday Night Holiday Concert Series
and a Holiday Ethnic Arts and Handcraft Market.

For information on Holiday parties contact
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