## **SILENT AUCTION:**

# **CALLING ALL SCARECROWS!**

"Best of Show" will receive 4 tickets to the Garden of Lights in December!

## Montrose Botanic Gardens Scarecrow Festival – October 5 & 6, 2024

Show off your creative genius and help support our Botanic Gardens at the same time! All entries become donations to the Montrose Botanic Society and will be offered in a Silent Auction during the Scarecrow Festival. Proceeds from the auction support the continuing development of the Gardens. Other fall décor or garden-related items are popular additions to the auction as well.

### **SCARECROW ENTRY GUIDELINES**

Use your imagination – scavenge supplies, props and materials to conjure up a unique family-friendly scarecrow, whether it be humorous, Halloween-ish, reflecting a hobby of yours, or a down-on-the-farm scarecrow.

- Entries may be created by an individual or group.
- Scarecrows must be assembled on a self-supporting frame or posed in a chair or on the ground (but nothing pounded into the ground), and should be able to withstand sun, wind and rain.
- Entries must be easily portable. If your scarecrow must be disassembled to fit into a standard vehicle, please include instructions for the person who is transporting it home.
- No live animals (or humans!) or fire may be used in the display. For any lighting needs, we recommend LED lights with battery packs.
- Identification signs will be provided at registration OR entrants may provide their own pre-printed sign. Size limited to 8.5"x11" standard paper size, and must include the title of the entry and creator's name(s).

The Montrose Botanic Gardens is a family-friendly venue, which reserves

the right to refuse display of any entry which is deemed to be offensive, unsafe or otherwise inappropriate.

Check out photos from previous years and ideas for scarecrow construction at: montrosegardens.org/ scarecrow-festival (Use QR at right)



If your scarecrow or other donation is ready before October 4, email us a photo and we'll feature it on Facebook!





Questions? Email info@montrosegardens.org.

#### **SCARECROW DELIVERIES**

Montrose Botanic Gardens 1800 Pavilion Drive

On Friday, Oct. 4: Noon – 6 pm OR Saturday, Oct. 5: 8 am – 9:30 am

Volunteers will be available to assist with placement of auction items.

The Gardens will be locked before and after festival hours; however, we cannot be responsible for the well-being of scarecrow displays or liability of participants.

Silent Auction bidding will close at 3:00 pm on Sunday, Oct. 6. Winners will be asked to pay and pick up their items from 4:00-6:00 pm that day OR on Wednesday, October 9 from 8:00 am – Noon. Pay with check, credit card or exact amount in cash (no change available).