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Scarborough Celebrates the Festival's Arts & Artisans April 29 & 30!

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX (April 25, 2017) Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is one of the largest outdoor juried craft shows in the country and the Festival is delighted to put these talented artisans and their amazing crafts front and center this weekend during our fourth annual Artisan's Showcase Weekend, April 29 and 30, 2017.

During the Artisan's Showcase Weekend, there will be three Showcase Tents at the entrance to each of the three areas of the Festival (Crown Meadow, Pecan Grove and Holly Field) that will give visitors a preview of the vast array of exquisite one-of-a-kind and handmade artwork and crafts that can be found in the 200+ Scarborough shoppes. Visitors can vote for their favorite craft/shoppe in the "Best in Show" contest and be registered for the chance to win a gift basket with a collection of treasures from Scarborough artisans. There is also a shopping adventure with the Artisans' Scavenger Hunt – finding the treasures hidden in shoppes all over the Festival for the chance to win a Scarborough Souvenir Prize Pack. You also don't want to miss many of the Artisans demonstrating their age-old crafts throughout the each day of the Festival and discover guest Artisans Angelfire Pottery (final weekend), Enchanted Chains (final weekend) and new artisans Hand Drawn Fantastical Portraits and Three Bells Tapestries.

Plus this weekend only you can shop 'til you drop and get a free ticket to Scarborough Renaissance Festival® when you bring \$250 worth of receipts from the Festival shoppes (\$250 per day) to the main souvenir shoppe by 6:45 pm each day.

"We are extremely proud of the outstanding artisans at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® and the Artisan's Showcase is our way showing them off! says Coy Sevier, General Manager. "Not only do our artisans have some of the most fantastic artwork and crafts you will ever see, most of their works you simply can't find anywhere else. Plus visitors have the unique opportunity to see how many of these crafts are made as the artisans demonstrate age-old crafts throughout each and every day of the Festival season. It really makes you appreciate the hard work and artistry that goes into making these pieces. Don't miss it!"

April 29, 2017 is also Deaf Awareness Day at Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®]. The Festival teams up with Hired Hands, Inc. to provide sign language interpreters for performances at all 24 stages throughout the day for the hearing impaired.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is interactive fun for everyone, 16th Century style offering 24 stages of extraordinary non-stop entertainment, full combat jousting, Birds of Prey exhibitions, a human chess match, the Mermaid Lagoon and a 150+ members performing company. There are 200 shoppes of exquisite crafts and amazing artisan demonstrations. Plus, Children's Knighting Ceremonies, a Grande Parade, Renaissance rides, games of skill and so much more.

Limited engagement performers this weekend (April 29 & 30) include "The Danger Committee" (formerly featured on America's Got Talent), "Topsy Turvy" and "Idiot Friends".

The April 29th & 30th daily Wine Tastings will feature the "Behind the Vines" wines and the daily Beer Tastings will feature beers of Belgium. The tastings sell out fast, so it is recommend that you purchase tasting tickets in advance. Make sure to check out the daily specials at the Rose & Crown Inn full service restaurant, Pasta Palace and Bakery as well as the largest food on-a-stick selection in Texas!

Upcoming Themed Weekends and Special Events are Live the Fantasy Weekend May 6th & 7th, Mother's Day Brunch and Renaissance Romance May 13th & 14th and Legends of the Seas Weekend May 20th & 21st.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is open Saturdays, Sundays, and Memorial Day Monday, now through May 29, 2017 from 10 AM to 7 PM. Located in Waxahachie, Scarborough Renaissance Festival[®] is just 30 minutes south of the Dallas/Fort Worth Metroplex on FM 66 off of I-35E at exit 399B. From Austin or Waco, follow I-35E north to Exit 399.

Admission is \$28 for adults and \$13 for children, ages 5-12. Children age 4 and under are admitted free. Parking is free compliments of Waxahachie Nissan. Food, drinks, games and rides all require cash. The Festival does have ATMs on-site, but it is recommended that you bring cash with you to avoid lines at the ATMs. Most of the artisan shoppes, the ticket booth and the Rose & Crown Inn Restaurant also accept credit cards.

Tickets are available at the gate on Festival days and on-line at SRFestival.com. Discount tickets can be purchased at D/FW area Tom Thumb & Albertsons stores. A '\$10 off 2 Tickets' coupon can be found at North Texas MetroPCS stores through April 30th (offer only valid through April 30th), and discount coupons will be at Waxahachie Nissan throughout the season. Sponsored by Dr Pepper. For more information visit **SRFestival.com**. Facebook & Twitter (SRFestival) or on Instagram (theSRFestival).