

## SCARECROWS IN THE GARDENS 2017

The Old Alabama Town Herb Society (OATHS) invites entries for "Scarecrows in the Gardens," the fifth exhibition of original and naturally crafted scarecrows that capture the wonders of herbs. The theme is "Wonders of Nature." Please make scarecrow with materials found in nature, as much as possible. Submit entry information as soon as possible but no later than 1 September 2017.

### DESIGN IDEAS

- Create a Scarecrow that celebrates favorite garden pastimes, the harvest season, the outdoors, or anything fall and festive - just remember to use some sort of herb in the design and remember the sky is the limit!
- Scarecrows should be constructed of natural materials. Please no plastic on exposed areas of scarecrow. Using plastic for stuffing, etc. is acceptable.
- Entries will be subject to the Alabama heat for two months and viewed by thousands of visitors. Make scarecrow construction as weatherproof and indestructible as possible. Scarecrows can vary in size from small to a maximum of seven feet tall.
- Facial expressions are often the first thing viewers notice so be creative!
- Scarecrow stuffing possibilities - plastic bags filled with newspapers, corn shucks, hay or straw.
- Hair and head possibilities include gourds, yarn, brooms, corn/corn shucks, raffia, old mops, pots, burlap, pillowcase, etc.

### INSTALLING SCARECROW

Scarecrows will be installed at the 'Living Block' of Old Alabama Town in late September 2017. Exact date and time will be sent to entrants in mid-September 2017. Montgomery Mayor to judge scarecrows.

Previous entries:



Disclaimer: The Old Alabama Town Herb Society (OATHS) entries must be suitable for viewing by children. Entries reflecting controversial political or social subject matter, entries in poor taste for family viewing, entries that are overly commercial or promotional in nature will not be displayed. The Old Alabama Town Herb Society (OATHS) reserves the right to reject any entry that does not meet the listed qualifications and to remove any scarecrow that deteriorates to an unacceptable level, including abuse by visitors.

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**Entry Information:** Scarecrow Name/Theme, contact person(s): name/e-mail/phone number