

THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL 2023

ARE YOU AN APPRENTICE, A QUALIFIED STONEMASON OR STONE CARVER, A MASTER MASON, SCULPTOR, OR EAGER AMATEUR?

IF SO, THEN WHY NOT TAKE ADVANTAGE OF THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL, ENJOY THE INSPIRING ATMOSPHERE WHERE YOU WILL MEET LIKE-MINDED FOLK, AND HAVE THE CHANCE TO PRESENT YOURSELF, AND YOUR SKILLS TO A WIDE AUDIENCE?

THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL 2023 IS JUST THE OPPORTUNITY!

DATE: 22 – 23 JULY 2023

LOCATION: HALIFAX MINSTER GROUNDS, HALIFAX ENGLAND

PARTICIPANTS: APPRENTICES, QUALIFIED STONEMASONS AND STONE CARVERS, AND MASTER MASON AND SCULPTORS. TWO CLASSES: APPRENTICE, AND MASTER.

TASK: THE TASK INVOLVES CARVING A WORKPIECE IN THE SANDSTONE PROVIDED IN APPROXIMATELY 16 HOURS. THE DIMENSIONS OF THE STONE ARE 30 X 30 X 20 CM. ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE REQUIRED TO WORK FROM THEIR OWN DESIGN SKETCHES, WHICH MUST BE BASED ON THE THEME OF THE FESTIVAL, WHICH IS “WILDLIFE OF YORKSHIRE”. EACH PARTICIPANT IS REQUIRED TO BRING EITHER SKETCHES OR A MAQUETTE OF THEIR DESIGN TO THE FESTIVAL.

ALL CARVINGS WILL BE AUCTIONED OFF ON THE LAST DAY OF THE FESTIVAL.

**REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN TOOLS!
NO POWER TOOLS ALLOWED!**

ENTRY FEE: £45.00 FROM ALL PARTICIPANTS

CONTACT

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ITINERARY FOR PARTICIPANTS

FRIDAY 21 JULY 2023

14:00 – 20:00 ONSITE REGISTRATION

SATURDAY 22 JULY 2023

07:00 BREAKFAST ON SITE
08:00 WORK ON PROJECTS STARTS
12:30 LUNCH BREAK ON SITE
13:30 WORK ON PROJECTS CONTINUES
18:00 WORK ON PROJECTS ENDS
18:30 DINNER ON SITE

SUNDAY 23 JULY 2023

07:00 BREAKFAST ON SITE
08:00 WORK ON PROJECTS CONTINUES
12:30 LUNCH BREAK ON SITE
13:30 WORK ON PROJECTS CONTINUES
14:30 WORK ON PROJECTS ENDS
15:15: JUDGING OF THE FINISHED PIECES
16:00 AWARDS CEREMONY
16:15 PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE FINISHED PIECES

MONEY RAISED FROM THE PUBLIC AUCTION OF THE CARVINGS WILL BE SPLIT 50:50 BETWEEN HALIFAX MINSTER AND THE WEST RIDING STONE CARVING ASSOCIATION.

HOW TO APPLY

PLEASE SEE THE APPLICATION FORM, AVAILABLE SEPARATELY

THE ENTRY FEE INCLUDES:

- FESTIVAL T-SHIRT
- MEAL TICKETS
- TEA AND COFFEE

CLOSING DATE FOR REGISTRATION: 31 MARCH 2023

ENTRY FEE NON-REFUNDABLE WITHIN 2 WEEKS OF COMPETITION.

FESTIVAL THEME 2023

THE THEME FOR 2023 HAS BEEN SELECTED BY THE ORGANISERS OF THE FESTIVAL AND IS TO BE ADOPTED BY ALL PARTICIPANTS.

THE THEME FOR 2023: **"THE WILDLIFE OF YORKSHIRE"**.



ALL PARTICIPANTS ARE ASKED TO PREPARE SKETCHES OR

MAQUETTES OF THEIR DESIGN TO GIVE THE VISITORS A BETTER INSIGHT INTO HOW THE WORKPIECE WILL BE REALISED IN STONE. THE MATERIAL PROVIDED WILL BE SANDSTONE, WITH EACH BLOCK MEASURING 30 CM X 30 CM X 20 CM.

REMEMBER TO BRING YOUR OWN TOOLS TO THE FESTIVAL!

NO POWER TOOLS ALLOWED!

WE LOOK FORWARD TO WELCOMING YOU HERE AND HOPE YOU ENJOY THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL 2023.



ORGANISER OF THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL 2023

THE ORGANISER OF THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL IS THE WEST RIDING STONECARVING ASSOCIATION.

FOUNDED IN 2009 IN HALIFAX WEST YORKSHIRE, THE WEST RIDING STONECARVING ASSOCIATION AIMS TO KEEP ALIVE THE ART OF CARVING STONE BY HAND USING TRADITIONAL TOOLS. PROVIDING EDUCATIONAL COURSES IN A SPACIOUS AND WELL-EQUIPPED WORKSHOP SPACE.

THE ASSOCIATION IS SITUATED IN THE BASEMENT OF SHAW LODGE MILLS IN HALIFAX.

LOCATION & ACCOMMODATION

HALIFAX, ENGLAND

IN 2023 THE HALIFAX STONE CARVING FESTIVAL WILL TAKE PLACE FROM 22- 23 JULY. THE FESTIVAL WILL TAKE PLACE IN THE GROUND OF HALIFAX MINSTER.

THE FOLLOWING MEALS ARE INCLUDED IN THE PARTICIPATION FEE:

BREAKFAST, LUNCH AND EVENING MEAL ON SATURDAY; BREAKFAST AND LUNCH ON SUNDAY.

THE NEAREST HOTEL IS THE PREMIER INN, A 10 MINUTE WALK AWAY.

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