Halloween Window Painting Contest

***RULES & REGULATIONS***

1. Registration must be completed no later than Monday, October 11th.
2. Contest is open to any boy or girl who resides in Slatington Borough, Washington Township or Walnutport Borough.
3. Windows to be painted Saturday, October 16th between 9:00 am and 12 Noon.
4. Paintings will be judged on Sunday, October 17th. Three (3) winners will be picked from each age group and division. Work will be judged on:
* Scariest
* Best Halloween Theme
* Most Original

Award ribbons will be posted at the official contest banner by judges. They are to remain up until after the October 30th Halloween Parade. All judges decisions are final.

1. Contestants will be charged a $5 entry fee.
2. Window location assignments will be posted on our website: [www.northernlehighrec.org](http://www.northernlehighrec.org) by Tuesday, October 12th at 3:30 pm. Contestant(s) name(s) will be posted on our website next to a corresponding number and window location.
3. Due to the limited number of windows available, Northern Lehigh Recreation reserves the right to limit the number of entries. Applications will be processed on a first come – first served basis for each group and division.
4. Eligibility:
* Elementary School: Grades 3 – 6
* Middle School: Grades 7 – 8
* High School: Grades 9 – 12

Up to two people can join to form a team to paint their assigned window space.

1. Equipment: Each contestant will supply their own paints and brushes. Only water-based tempera paint will be permitted.
* Assorted artistic brushes
* Pail or containers for water, mixing, etc.
* Bon Ami: Adds consistency to the paint and helps it adhere better and works to prevent flaking. The use of Bon Ami is highly recommended, as paint does tend to peel without it.
* Dish Soap; For better results, ass a couple of drops of dish soap (NOT dishwasher detergent) to a small bucket of water and wash your window before you begin painting. This will clear and greasy

residue off the glass and help paint adhere, Make sure to let the window dry completely before applying paint.

* Assorted colors of water based tempera paint.
* Newspapers for masking off painted storefronts / brickwork.
* Rags for cleaning brushes, spilled paint, etc.
* Large box for garbage, rags, paper, etc.
* Each painter/team must bring a large plastic bag for garbage, rags, paper, etc.
* Wear warm clothes.
1. Restrictions: The following are NOT allowed:
	* No felt tip markers
	* No crayons
	* No wax-based markers
	* No glitter and glue
	* No pens or pencils
	* No stencils for lettering or painting will be permitted, including pre-cut materials used to trace or aid in painting the window.
	* Contestants must stay within the 17” x 27” taped area assigned to them.
	* No solid dark colors are permitted. Dark colors when exposed to direct sunlight can cause the windows to crack. If a solid, dark colored background is used, contestants will be required to clean it and start over and will be subject to disqualification.
		1. No solid black
		2. No solid navy blue
		3. No dark/charcoal gray
2. Contestant Requirements:
	* Paintings must have a Halloween theme.
	* Actual work must be done by the contestant(s) only. All work must be done in freehand.
	* Each contestant will be required to print their name and age on the official contest banner at their assigned window.
	* It is suggested that you view your window in advance. Some locations may be higher than others and require a step stool.
	* Contestants must stay within the 17” x 27” area provided and taped by the business. Paintings that exceed these dimensions will be disqualified.
	* Non-glass areas must be covered with newspapers to protect sidewalks, brickwork, and painted areas from paint.
	* Contestant(s) must clear their area of any materials and /or spilled paint, including small drips at the completion of painting.
	* Parents and helpers are allowed to help in masking off the windows/brickwork prior to painting, and cleaning the4 area after painting. Parents/friends must stay 5 feet away from contestants during painting.
3. Inclement Weather: Cancellation will be announced via email and posted on the NLRA website and Facebook / Instagram pages by Friday, October 15th at 7:00PM. The rain date for painting will be Sunday, October 17th from 9:00 am to 12 Noon.