

**Delta Dental Winter Zoo
Parade Category Judging Criteria and Rules**

Categories

Penguin (On a scale from 1 to 10)

- 1) How well does the float represent Penguin characteristics?
 - **Life cycle:** egg, chick, adult
 - **Characteristics:** penguins have more feathers than any other bird!
 - **Species at the Saint Louis Zoo:**
(Visit <http://www.stlzoo.org> to learn more about our four species of penguins!)
 - Gentoo
 - Humboldt
 - King
 - Rockhopper
- 2) Does the float depict a conservation message?
 - Endangered Humboldt Penguins
 - Dangers of Global Warming

Mardi Gras (On a scale from 1 to 10)

- 1) Does the float incorporate traditional Mardi Gras elements?
 - Colors: Shiny metallic purple, green and gold
 - Beads
 - Faces of comedy and drama
 - Feathered masks
 - Fleur de Lys
- 2) Does the float incorporate animals, in particular penguins, into the design of the float?
- 3) Does the float depict any historical Mardi Gras traditions?
 - Originating out of France
 - Color Significance (Purple: Justice, Green: Faith, Gold: Power)

Delta Dental's Healthiest Smile (On a scale from 1 to 10)

- 1) Does the float incorporate information on healthy dental habits?
 - Frequent brushing
 - Flossing
 - Avoiding sugary foods or beverages
 - Routine dental cleanings/visits
- 2) Does the float include a toothy smile?
- 3) Does the float include the name "Delta Dental?"
- 4) Does the float incorporate animals into the design of the float?

Rules

- All entries must be registered to be judged and awarded a prize. Registration will take place in the Lower Rotunda of The Living World from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.
- All registrants must have their number in a visible location on the left side of the entry.
- Entry must not be greater than 48" x 30" x 30".
- Parade line-up will begin at 2:30 p.m. and the parade will begin promptly at 3 p.m. from The Living World.
- Judging will take place at a marked location along the parade route. All decisions by the judges are final and not subject to question or reversal.
- Awards will be given to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners in each category in the Lower Rotunda of The Living World at 4 p.m. If not present, awards will be mailed. Awards include, but not limited to, Saint Louis Zoo Family Membership, Zoo Parents Animal Adoption, a "Healthy Smile" gift basket and Build-A-Bear Workshop animals with a Mardi Gras flair!



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Mardi Gras Parade Float Registration Form

Please confirm your participation today by completing and returning this entry form. There is no fee associated with your participation.

CONTACT INFORMATION.

Contact Name: _____

Organization Name (if applicable):

Address

City/State/Zip

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Category Entry

_____ Penguin _____ Mardi Gras

_____ Delta Dental's Healthiest Smile

Please return this entry form by February 17 by mail, email or FAX. You may also bring the entry form prior to the parade on Sunday, February 19. Day of registration will take place in the Lower Rotunda of The Living World from 11:00 a.m. – 2 p.m.

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