



First Annual Merrymeeting Tree Festival

**November
20-22, 2026
November
27-29, 2026**

Wreath Guidelines & Tips

Thank you for your interest in participating in the 2026 Merrymeeting Tree Festival!

The event will be held at the YMCA at Brunswick Landing, 24 Venture Avenue, Brunswick Landing, Brunswick ME 04011, from November 20-22 and November 27-29, 2026.

All wreaths will be hung on a display rack, indoors, in the front lobby, and will be raffled off at the conclusion of the event. Attendees will receive a door prize ticket. Door prize tickets are only eligible for the wreaths and thus your wreath will be won as a door prize raffle. Due to space limitations, and for fire code purposes, certain guidelines must be followed.

All wreaths must:

- ***Be submitted by a regional or statewide non-profit or not-for-profit organization.*** Businesses will not be allowed to enter the a wreath for the event. This is a way for our non-profits, not-for-profits and clubs/organizations to participate in this event. If we do not fill the spaces, citizen donors will be considered but with only 20 spaces we expect to fill it.
- ***Include a way to hang, factoring in the weight of the wreath (wreath hook or wire preferred)***
- ***Be lit with battery powered lights, if you decide you want lights in your wreath (certainly not required).***
- ***Not exceed 24" diameter***
- ***Be brought to the event venue by Thursday, November 19, at 2:00 p.m., equipped to be hung.***

Tips & Suggestions and Need to Know Info

- Where fresh greenery only lasts two weeks, and the event lasts two weeks, artificial is preferred so that winners can proudly display their winning wreaths.
- Unlike the trees, the wreaths have no minimum gift requirement- in fact there is zero expectation of an additional item of value on the wreath besides the decorative wreath itself. If you would like to include a gift card or other item of value, you may- but there is absolutely no expectation of that.
- Use this to promote your organization. Tie in your colors, or trinkets of your organization if you would like. Maybe make a theme out of it.
- Get creative! Artificial is best, so maybe you can think of something other than traditional greenery? Could you use candy? Or cloth? Or bottle caps, or whatever. Some people will want a traditional looking wreath, so by all means, you can do that- but others may prefer something a bit unique. Don't limit yourself if you come up with a non-traditional idea, that you may want to try. As long as it looks like a ring and it's 24" in diameter or smaller, than go for it.
- Tickets will be dropped in individual buckets so those wanting your wreath will get your wreath (as opposed to just collecting all of the door prize tickets and pulling them from one large bucket). Because of this, we will have one Community Choice Award for the wreath that receives the highest number of tickets. It's not a competition, but it may be a nice distinction for those employees, staff or volunteers who make the wreath.

Festival Hours & Drawing of Winners: The drawing of winners will take place on the afternoon of the closing day, Sunday, November 29. Winners will be notified that day. A list of who won which wreath will be released following the event.

For more information contact:

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Registration begins September 1, 2026.

Registration forms will be posted on the Chamber website, on the Merrymeeting Tree Festival page on September 1, or just prior to. You will be notified of your acceptance on a rolling basis until we hit our limit of 20 wreaths.