



# *Torrance Rose Float Association*

## *Newsletter*

October 2023

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### President's Message

The countdown is on! It's hard to believe it is already October. Don't miss your chance to decorate our 2024 float. Please make sure that you check our save the date portion of the newsletter so that you don't miss out on anything.

October 19th is our first decorator's meeting (see inside for details). Be sure to mark your calendars as the decorating spots go quick. This is your chance to check off that item on your bucket list and come out to experience the pageantry, camaraderie and the plain old hard work, fun and elbow grease that goes into creating our beautiful float!

We have volunteers starting from 13 to over 90+, working side by side all week-long gluing, clipping and snipping! Many of our volunteers have made this part of their holiday traditions. So, whether it's your first time or your 25th, now is the time to secure your spot. We hope to see you there!

Our nominating committee is busily working on the slate for next year's board of directors. If you would like to serve on the board please contact us at [info@torrancerosefloat.org](mailto:info@torrancerosefloat.org). If serving on our board isn't your thing, we can always use volunteers to help the directors with various activities and programs throughout the year.

Please feel free to talk to a board member at our decorator's meeting if you have any questions. Looking forward to seeing you on Thursday October 19th.

Bev

Eat to Support:

# Torrance Rose Float Association

Come eat with us and support the cause!

Host Your Own

## California Pizza Kitchen

Wednesday October 4, 2023

11:00am-10:00pm

25304 Crenshaw Blvd  
Torrance, CA

**Donating Back: 20%**

Organizer: Lynn Robinson



**Commit to Eat**

This meal will only happen if at least 20 commitments to eat are made by October 1, 2023.



On Wednesday, October 4<sup>th</sup>, Restaurants for Roses will be at the California Pizza Kitchen at 25304 Crenshaw Blvd. The delicious and generous California Pizza Kitchen is donating back 20% of Dine-In, Takeout & Pick up orders to support a great cause -- Torrance Rose Float Association!

We ask that you RSVP here: <https://grouprai.se/e259257> (even if you're not completely sure) so California Pizza Kitchen knows roughly how many orders to expect & so you have access to all the event details.

To place your order [visit California Pizza Kitchen's online order website](#). Use the promo code of "BACK20%" and 20% of your meal's price will be donated back to Torrance Rose Float Association.

We hope you can make it, and please feel free to forward this invitation to your friends and family. Thanks in advance for your support!

**Lynn**

Torrance Rose Float Association



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**DECORATOR FORM – 2024 ROSE PARADE FLOAT**

Received	_____
Bus	<input type="checkbox"/>
Drive	<input type="checkbox"/>
Member	<input type="checkbox"/>
TRAF ONLY	

Decorator's Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Home Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Number of Years Decorating \_\_\_\_\_

**EMERGENCY INFORMATION – EVERYONE NEEDS TO FILL THIS OUT**

Whom should we contact in case of an emergency?

Name: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Please initial all lines below that you have read and understand TRFA decorating policy**

- \_\_\_\_\_ **DRY DAYS Nov 25 & Dec 2–BUS LEAVES CITY ANNEX BUILDING 3031 TORRANCE BLVD. AT 7:45 am**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **DEC 26 -30 Bus leaves Wilson Park at 7:45 am for the day shift and 4:45 pm for the night shift.**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Buses will return at approximately 5:00pm and 11:00pm respectively**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Buses may have to be cancelled if we do not have at least 30 people per bus, you will be notified in advance of any cancellation**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decorators are assigned on a first come, first serve basis**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Day shift - lunch will be provided, Night shift – snacks provided**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Your shift could be cancelled if the float is completed ahead of schedule**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decorators must be a minimum of 13 years of age to decorate**
- \_\_\_\_\_ **Decorators must be a current member of the TRFA to decorate**

**Dec 26 – 30 Bus leaves from Wilson Park – day shift at 7:45 am – night shift at 4:45 pm**

**Parking is limited so we prefer decorators ride on the bus. If you plan to drive, please indicate here:**

Decorator's Name (one form per decorator) Please print Last Name, First Name	Adult	Under 18	Sat 11/25	Sat 12/2	Tue Dec 26		Wed Dec 27		Thu Dec 28		Fri Dec 29		Sst Dec 30		Anytime	
			Day	Day	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night	Day	Night
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Please number your preferences. If you don't have a preference, please check the anytime box and we will schedule you where we need the most help. **Please note:** Those who choose to work on a **dry day**, 11/25 or 12/2 will be given **priority** for any additional decorating days selected. We will try to accommodate everyone's request, however there are no guarantees.

- If you plan to decorate with someone and want to be scheduled at the same time, please list their name(s) here

**Photo/Video Release**

By signing this release, I grant full permission to the City of Torrance and/or Torrance Rose Float Association (TRFA) to use my name and image in any photographs, video graphs, motion pictures, or recording for any publicity and promotion without obligation or liability to me.

Printed Name \_\_\_\_\_ Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*Please return this form before November 1st, 2023\*\***

# WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY 2023 TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, CERTIFY THAT I AM IN GOOD PHYSICAL CONDITION AND WISH TO PARTICIPATE IN Torrance Rose Float Decorating Activities ("Decorating Activities") between November 25, 2023 and January 2, 2024.

I hereby acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the Decorating Activities.

I am aware that serious accidents occasionally occur during Decorating Activities, and that participants occasionally sustain serious personal injury or death and/or property damage, as a consequence thereof. I understand that included among the dangerous elements of Decorating Activities are risks associated with the weather, discarded items (e.g., broken glass, nails, etc.), the use of tools, tripping, falling from ladders, and of injury as a result of tripping, falling, or striking an unknown object. I understand that in addition to the above-mentioned risks, there are unpredictable dangers involved in Decorating Activities. If, however, I observe any unusual and/or significant hazard I will immediately bring such to the attention of the nearest official or supervisor and remove myself from participation if necessary.

In consideration of my participation in Decorating Activities, I voluntarily release the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers from any and all liability for injuries or death or property damage resulting from or in any way connected with my participation in Decorating Activities, that this waiver and release is applicable even though the negligent activities of the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers may have caused or contributed to the injury or death or property damage. This Waiver and Release is binding on my heirs and dependents as well as upon me. Additionally, this Waiver and Release applies to any injury, death, and/or property damage caused or allegedly caused by a dangerous condition of public property. I freely and voluntarily expressly assume all the risks of participating in Decorating Activities.

I represent that to the best of my knowledge that I have no medical, physical, and/or emotional health condition that would hinder or prevent my participation in Decorating Activities. I also certify that I am physically fit, have been sufficiently trained for participation in Decorating Activities and have not been advised otherwise by a qualified medical person. In the case of sickness, accident, or injury, the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers have my express permission to secure, at my expense, such medical attention as is deemed necessary in the sole discretion of the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association and their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers. This participation includes the administration of such medicines or treatment as might be administered or ordered by duly licensed medical personnel, except for

(list exceptions).

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Participant

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Participant

**IF PARTICIPANT IS UNDER 18, A PARENT OR LEGAL GUARDIAN MUST SIGN.**

**THE ABOVE PARTICIPANT HAS MY PERMISSION TO PARTICIPATE IN DECORATING ACTIVITIES.**

These activities include travel to Irwindale, the site of the City of Torrance's float, by transportation provided by the Torrance Rose Float Association as a decorator on the Torrance Rose Parade float. I understand the transportation will depart from and return to Wilson Park, 2200 Crenshaw Blvd. (Please use the northwest parking lot at Crenshaw and Jefferson.) All day buses will leave at 7:45 am and will return at 5:00 pm. All night buses will board at 4:45 pm and will return at 11 pm. PLEASE BE PROMPT!!!! (The bus won't wait☺).

I agree that should a discipline problem concerning the participant arise on a bus or at the decorating site, I or the person listed for emergency notification will drive to the decorating site in Irwindale to pick up the participant. Neither the City of Torrance, the Torrance Rose Float Association, nor their respective officers, agents, employees, members, and volunteers will be held liable for any expenses incurred.

**I HAVE READ AND AGREE TO THE PROVISIONS STATED ABOVE. I KNOW OF NO HEALTH LIMITATIONS THAT MAY RESTRICT THIS VOLUNTEER'S PARTICIPATION IN THIS ACTIVITY.**

\_\_\_\_\_  
Print Name of Parent or Legal Guardian  
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\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature of Parent or Legal Guardian

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date  
[97979\_1.DOC]

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# ROSE PARADE GRANDSTAND SEAT PACKAGE

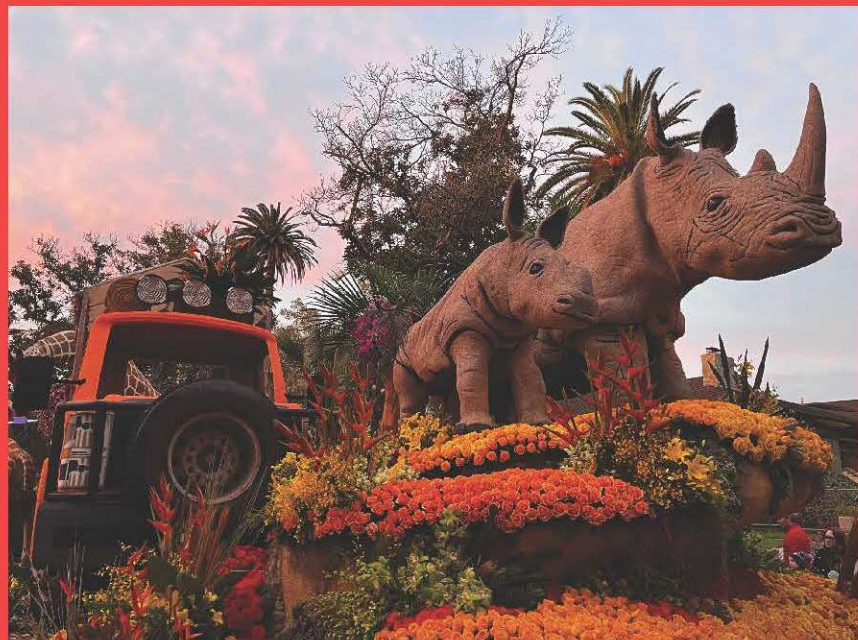
## Includes

- On Camera-Side Reserved Seat
- Hassle-Free Bus Transportation from Torrance to Pasadena and back to Torrance
- 2024 Souvenir Program
- Water

ONLY 50 TICKETS  
GUARANTEED AVAILABLE

TICKETS ON SALE NOW!

\$150 PER TICKET



Hi friends...

I know it seems early, but I know many who start thinking of that special Christmas gift for the person that has it all or...that special something to do with out of town guests as early as September and October.

If that's you or soon to be you, let me tell you...a trip to the parade is a great gift or way to spend time with the family.

I personally have adult children and wanted to get them a gift we could do together as a Christmas present.

I purchased us all a ticket to the Rose Parade. Maybe it started as a selfish act, mom wanted all together, but turned out to be something we all enjoyed.

They opened the envelopes and were so excited, then when I told them how early they had to get up, it was like I struck them with lightning!

New Year's day came, we all were there bright and early, some still asleep or sleep walking, got to the venue and it was like we were at Disneyland. The bus ride was great! Took us to almost where the seats were, we walked a tiny bit, sat down in the bleachers and off they were. Starbucks for coffee across the street, a vendor selling official Rose Parade swag and a few steps down the street to see what the parade had to offer. I stayed in the bleachers, but time whizzed by.

Before I knew it the parade started. Took a few minutes to get to us, but I would not have it any other way. The seats were PERFECT, the weather was perfect and we were in a block of seats for us Torranceites, so when the float drove by we all cheered it on together.

That year the weather was wonderful, not too cold by any means (I know each year is different), company was good, the parade amazing and I got to spend time with the family who by the way wants to do it again!

I got time with the family, time to cheer Torrance on in person and didn't have to navigate traffic, find parking, pay for parking, sleep over night for a great seat, look around through others (direct view from my bleacher seat)~What more can you ask for!

If you are looking for that something that all can enjoy, friends and family of all ages and want to see the parade up front and personal at least once in a life time or hassle free, take a look and purchase your tickets now!

You could have all your Christmas shopping done early – Stress free!!

Michelle



# *Torrance Rose Float Association*

## FLOAT RIDER INFORMATION

First Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Middle Initial: \_\_\_\_\_

Last Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Date of Birth (mm/dd/yyyy): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Cell Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact: \_\_\_\_\_

Emergency Contact Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_

This information will only be shown to the TRFA executive board members who require Float Rider information and no other members of TRFA. It may be shared with Fiesta Parade Floats and/or the Pasadena Tournament of Roses for their official use upon request.

### **For TRFA use only**

\_\_\_\_\_

Check number \_\_\_\_\_

Amount \_\_\_\_\_

Date \_\_\_\_\_

## **Torrance Rose Float Association has something for everyone!**

If your family likes to decorate, we have a decorator pin just for you, if you are a float enthusiast we have T shirts, hats and a dated float pin arriving any day now! You can keep watch for them to be available soon.

If you love working along side others in a team environment, decorating the float may be for you! Jobs for beginners and seasoned decorators, anyone over the age of 13 can participate.

Some love it so much they have been coming for years and now have second and third generations working side by side to help beautify a otherwise metal frame, bringing it to life! Something to be so proud of when you see it live or on the ole Tele.

Speaking of seeing it live...we also offer parade tickets that take you to and from the venue, great grandstand seats and an official program. And, don't forget the bottle of water, LOL!

If decorating the float or seeing it travel down Colorado Blvd all dressed up is not close enough, we have a few seats available to ride on the float! Yes, on the float! What an amazing experience.

If you have been reading our newsletters, earlier this year you read from a actual float rider and how amazing and wonderful it was. In fact we have one float rider that will be riding this upcoming year for the second time.

If you want to have a presence on the float but are unable to ride personally, we also have rose vials you can purchase that will be placed on the float and ride down Colorado Blvd. You can purchase one for yourself or loved one, departed one or organization.

Yup, for only \$10 it makes the perfect gift for someone or yourself! Real roses placed in vials, placed last on the float so they are fresh and beautiful with your note or name or if you wish nothing on it.

If it's a gift you will receive a gift note to wrap for a holiday gift. You can purchase these all year long for the upload float entry, so great for birthday, mothers day, fathers day, graduation and wedding gifts.

Hope you have a chance to participate in whichever way that works for you. Love to have you as a member, decorator, board member, volunteer, rider, attendee, purchaser or donor, whichever way you can enjoy the float, parade, Torrance patriotism and help to keep this amazing, award winning tradition in Torrance alive!

Check out the website and be a part of something BIG!!!

TRFA Board Member





# TORRANCE ROSE FLOAT ASSOCIATION

## 2023 / 2024 Membership Application

Membership runs from February 1, 2023 to January 31, 2024.

My membership is:  NEW  RENEWAL

Primary Member Name:

(First) \_\_\_\_\_ (Last) \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Phone: (     ) \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail (To Receive Newsletter): \_\_\_\_\_

**TO RECEIVE THE TRFA NEWSLETTER THRU THE US POSTAL SERVICE, ADD \$10 TO YOUR MEMBERSHIP FEE TO COVER THE COST OF MAILING!**

### May Vote and Hold Office

\_\_\_\_ Youth            \$10 per year            (age 13 to 17)

\_\_\_\_ Individual        \$20 per year            (age 18 or older)

\_\_\_\_ Couple\*         \$30 per year            2nd Name

\_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Family\*         \$50 per year            (Up to 4 people; for each additional person add \$10)

2nd \_\_\_\_\_ 3rd \_\_\_\_\_ - \_\_\_\_\_

4th \_\_\_\_\_ 5th \_\_\_\_\_

\*For Couple and Family memberships, all must reside at the same address. Also, please write any additional names on the bottom or back of this form.

### May Not Vote or Hold Office

Company/Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

\_\_\_\_ Service Club/ Organization    \$100 per year    (five people eligible to decorate)

\_\_\_\_ Business/Trade Industry        \$250 per year    (ten people eligible to decorate)

Enclosed is a donation to TRFA (in addition to my annual dues) in the amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount Enclosed: \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Make your check payable to TRFA and mail with this form to:

**Torrance Rose Float Association Membership 4733 Torrance Blvd. #234, Torrance, CA 90503**

If you have any questions about your membership, please contact [torrrosefloat@gmail.org](mailto:torrrosefloat@gmail.org) or call us at (310) 618-2425.

I am interested in volunteering

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