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2019 Festival Facts

Dates & Times: April 6 – May 27, 2019
Saturdays & Sundays + Memorial Day Monday
10 am – 7 pm Daily

Tuesday, April 30, 2019 – STUDENT DAYS

Interactive Fun for Everyone 16th Century Style!

Location: 2511 FM 66 (just off I-35E) in Waxahachie, Texas
30 minutes south of Downtown Dallas & Fort Worth
1 hour north of Waco

Tickets:

- \$28 Adults / \$13 Children (5-12) Children 4 & under are FREE
- Discount Tickets available at Tom Thumb & Albertsons
- Discount Coupons available at Waxahachie Nissan
- Military Discount offered all season long - \$4 off at the gate for active military members
- Group discounts and Consignment Programs are also available

Parking: Free compliments of Waxahachie Nissan

Theme: *Step Back in Time for the Time of Your Life!*

More Information: SRFestival.com **Facebook & Twitter:** [SRFestival](#) **Instagram:** [theSRFestival](#)

What is Scarborough Renaissance Festival®:

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is interactive fun for everyone, 16th Century style! Here you will discover our 35 acre re-creation of an English village celebrating the visit of King Henry VIII and his beloved wife, Catherine of Aragon and their guests to the "Village of Scarborough" with a festival of entertainment, artisans, food, magic and merriment!

Enjoy full combat jousting and birds of prey exhibitions; a Mermaid Lagoon, 25+ stages of non-stop Renaissance entertainment and our 100+ member performing company. Discover 200 shoppes of exquisite crafts and amazing artisan demonstrations. Experience Knighting Ceremonies, combat competitions, a Grande Parade, Renaissance rides, games of skill and so much more.

Feast on food & drink fit for a king with 5 food court areas including the Village Bakery, Pasta Palace, our famous giant roasted Turkey Legs and the largest food-on-a-stick selection in Texas. There is also a full-service restaurant and 12 pubs & taverns. For the more discerning tastes there are *daily* wine and beer tasting events as well.

Each weekend also has a different theme and a variety of special events.



2019 Themed Weekends and Special Events

- **April 6 & 7: Time Traveler's Weekend/Opening Weekend**
 - Kid's 12 & Under Free (up to 3 children free with each paid adult)
 - Seniors 65+ Half Price (tickets purchased at the gate only)
 - Time Traveler's costume contests
- **April 13 & 14: Artisan's Showcase Weekend**
 - Showcase of Scarborough's wide variety of artisans and works of art plus, best in Show contest and Artisan's Scavenger Hunt and Shop & Win activities
- **April 20 & 21: Celtic Weekend / Easter Celebration**
 - Celtic themed activities, contests & performances throughout the weekend
 - Keg tapping event with Franconia Brewing
 - Easter scavenger hunt throughout the weekend
 - Special Easter Service & Celebration at 12:00 noon on Sunday
- **April 27 & 28: Royal Ale Festival / Spring Celebration**
 - Ale Festival Tasting event 12:00 pm – 4:00 pm each day – sampling a wide variety of beer while enjoying a variety of entertainment and tasty snacks. Separate ticketed event \$10 per person. Must be 21 or older to participate
 - Stein holding contest
- **April 27: Deaf Day**
 - Special signed performances throughout the Festival provided by Hired Hands, Inc.
- **May 4 & 5: Legends of the Seas Weekend**
 - It's a yo-ho-ho of a weekend celebrating those legends of the seas – Mermaids & Pirates! Costume contests plus a Pirate initiation ceremony each day!
- **May 11 & 12: Celebrating Chivalry Weekend**
 - Mother's Day Brunch 12:00 noon – 1:00 pm each day. Tickets are \$20 for adults (13+), \$10 children (5-12), children 4 & under are free
 - Vow Renewal Ceremony at 11:30 am each day
 - Chivalry Lessons from the Scarborough Knights
- **May 18 & 19: Live the Fantasy Weekend**
 - Fantasy enthusiasts, Cosplay fans and friends of the fae this weekend is just for you! Adult & children's costume contests each day plus a children's fairy initiation ceremony
 - Keg Tapping event with Franconia Brewing
- **May 25, 26 & 27: The Last Huzzah**
 - All New - Scarborough Games throughout the weekend!
 - Final Weekend Celebrations plus Veterans Parade & Fallen Hero's Memorial Tribute on Memorial Day, May 27th



2019 Daily Special Events

- **Wine Tasting Events** (must be 21 or older to attend)
 - **1:00 pm and 3:00 pm** every day at the Cat & Fiddle Vinery
 - An intimate one hour wine tasting and educational experience conducted by Scarborough's certified Sommelier.
 - Includes specially paired fruit and cheese plate and souvenir wine glass
 - \$30 per person (in addition to Festival admission) - *Limited seating available*
- **Beer Tasting Events** (must be 21 or older to attend)
 - **12 noon and 3:00 pm** every day at the Village Green
 - An intimate one hour beer tasting and educational experience conducted by Scarborough's certified Cicerone®. Includes specially paired fruit & cheese plate and souvenir glass
 - \$30 per person (in addition to Festival admission) - *Limited seating available*

2019 Daily Wine & Beer Tasting Themes

	<u>Wine Tastings</u>	<u>Beer Tastings</u>
• April 6 & 7:	Wines of Italy	Beers of Texas
• April 13 & 14:	Wines from Down Under	Beers of Belgium
• April 20 & 21:	Wines of France	Beers of the British Isles
• April 27 & 28:	Decoding Wine Labels	Flagship Beer
• May 4 & 5:	Wines of the New World	American Craft Traditional
• May 11 & 12:	Wines of Spain	American Craft Creative
• May 18 & 19:	Wines of Germany	Beers of Germany
• May 25, 26 & 27:	Flynn's Favorites	Seamus Suggests

- **Grande Parade**
 - **1:00 pm** each day
 - **A spectacle of villagers, entertainers and Courts on the march each day through the entire Village of Scarborough**
- **Children's Knighting Ceremony**
 - **Each Day** Children of all ages are invited to be presented to Their Majesties to be recognized for acts of courage and deeds of meritorious service. One on each side of the Festival. Each participant receives a seal that names them a protector of the Realm. Included with general admission.
 - **4:00 pm** each day at the Royal Marquee with King Henry VIII and Queen Catherine of Aragon
 - **4:30 pm** each day at the Royal Pavilion with Margaret Queen of Scotland and the Isles



2019 – New & Notable

Things to Note

- The year in which our Festival is set is 1521 at the beginning of the reign of King Henry VIII during his marriage to Catherine of Aragon. The 100+ members of the Scarborough Academy of Performing Arts (SAPA) bring this period to life with their outstanding portrayals of these historical figures and other period characterizations.
- A number of fan favorites will be performing on new stages/locations at this year's Festival including Cirqa Brava, Iron Hill Vagabonds, Rambling Sailors, Songs of the Nightingale, Star Dancers Belly Dancing, Stewart & Arnold and Wolgemut.
- Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is family friendly with many performances and activities for kids such as the Children's Knighting Ceremonies, Syndicate School of Sword, the Mermaid Lagoon, Faebles Show, Nature of Mercy, Sir Guy & the Dragon, the Flying Freak Show, Tales from the Village, Renaissance Rides, games of skill and much more!
- There are some performances that are geared toward a more mature audience (16+). They include: Arthur Greenleaf Holmes the Wildly Inappropriate Poet, Christophe the Insultor, Iris & Rose – Wild and Thorny, Queen Anne's Lace – Tart Show and the King's Pub - Pub Sing.

New Entertainment

- **The Beggar Queen** – The queen of the people (or so she believes) wandering the lanes telling tales of the village & bringing smiles to all
- **Captain Francis Drake** – Privateer and patriot home on leave who will raise glasses, melt lasses and leave knees weak in his wake
- **The Clash of Champions** – Fighters from all over the world battle to win the title of Champion
- **Dr. Judas Lynch & Ms. Magnolia Strange** (*May 4 – 27*) – Catch the fantastical narratives and death-defying stunts of this crew of escape artists
- **Drone** – Stomp your feet to tunes played on a different style of bagpipe
- **Fae Court** – The Fae Queen and her court entertaining young and old with fun, laughter and a little mischief
- **Faebles** – A fun-filled journey of story & laughter with Queen Synderre and the Fae Court
- **The Gwendolyn Show** – Part trunk show, part audience participation and all funny
- **The Grande Tournament of Scarborough** – Thrill to fighting excitement and feats of daring-do
- **Harmless Danger Juggling Show** – A madcap comedy juggling show with serious consequences
- **Kamikaze Fireflies** – A madcap show that combines acrobatic thrills, sandwich making with feet, non-stop laughter and more
- **Kris Colt – Black Rose** (*April 20 – 28*) – A modern bard with a lyrical style performing songs of both original and ancient origin
- **Notes of Accord** – From high born to low, all meet on the festive field of music
- **Pictus** (*April 20 – 21*) – A unique take on primal drums and Highland bagpipes
- **Pride of Ireland** (*April 27 – May 27*) – Bringing the mirth and magic of the Emerald Isle through songs, jokes and banter
- **Randal Piper** (*April 6 – 21*) – Come witness a glimpse into the musical mind of chaos
- **Scottish Knighting Ceremony** – The King's sister, Margaret, Queen of Scotland & The Isles knights young guests
- **Syndicate Academy of Sword & Skill** – Learn how to wield a sword! This hands-on experience teaches Spanish style techniques and how to use weapons of the Renaissance
- **Sir Guy and the Dragon** (*May 11 – 27*) - The heroic hero, Sir Guy of Warwick, tells a heroic tale of heroism in which he heroically almost slays a dragon



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New & Guest Artisans

- **Ash & Griffin Pottery** (whimsical pottery and pottery reproduced from actual archaeological finds) – *New & Guest Artisan (May 18 – 19)*
- **Arcade Da Vinci** – The Grand Labyrinth Game (giant sized version of classic game) – *New & Guest Artisan (May 4 – 27)*
- **Fuglyware** (dark humor pottery) – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Gentry Jewelry** (silver jewelry creations) – *New & Guest Artisan (April 6 – 28)*
- **Gnome & Fairy Pottery** (fanciful pottery) – *New & Guest Artisan (May 4 – 27)*
- **Guardians of the Castle Bakery** (dog & cat treats, toys and accessories) – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Living Art & Lanterns** – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Ravendale Fine Pewter (pewter works)** – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Masquerade Life Casting** – *Guest Artisan (May 4 – 12)*
- **Sculpted Jewelry by Connie Colten** – *Guest Artisan (May 5 – 13)*
- **Soarsa Studios** (jewelry) – *New & Guest Artisan (May 19 – 28)*
- **Silverleaf Costumes** (Renaissance, Steampunk and Cosplay costumes) – *New & Guest Artisan (April 6 – 28)*
- **St. Thomas Brass Rubbings** (brass plate art that patrons can make) – *New & Guest Artisan (April 6 – 28)*
- **Storm Leather Werks** (unique leather armour & accessories) – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **SWS Cutlery** – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Two Witches Cauldron** (hearth & home products) – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*
- **Your Name on Rice by Starglass** (name on grain of rice in a tiny hand-blown bottles) – *New Artisan (April 6 – May 27)*

New Food Offerings

- **BBQ Pork & Mashed Potato Sundae** – Layers of barbecue pork and mashed potatoes topped with gravy and a cherry tomato
- **Bomb Pop Ice Cups**
- **Mashed Potatoes** – with butter, garlic and cheddar cheese
- **Variety of new craft beer offerings throughout the Festival**



2019 Festival Facts

History/Overview

2019 marks the 39th Season of Scarborough Renaissance Festival®. The Festival began on a patch of pasture land and a Pecan Grove with tents and a handful of Renaissance entertainers and artisans. Since that time it has grown to become one of the largest Renaissance Festivals in the United States as well as one of the country's largest outdoor juried craft shows.

General Facts

- Began in 1981
- Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is a Renaissance themed festival set in a re-created 16th Century English village celebrating with mirth and merriment during the days of King Henry VIII
- The festival runs 8 consecutive weekends and Memorial Day each Spring (April & May)
- One of the largest events and most unique entertainment experiences in North Texas
- One of the largest and most popular Renaissance festivals in the country (consistently voted among the top Renaissance festivals as well as the top of many other categories)
- The “village” of Scarborough is 35 acres (larger than most shopping malls) set within a 155 acre site
- (225) Renaissance style permanent structures
- The festival employs more than 2,000 performers, artisans, food service staff, grounds crew and retail staff – approximately half from the Waxahachie area and the D/FW Metroplex
- (25+) Entertainment stages with more than 300 performers entertaining each day of the Festival
- (100+) Member performing company makes up the “the cast” of Scarborough – Scarborough Academy of Performing Arts (SAPA). This includes the characters of the Royal Court, villagers, Romani and more
- (200) Shoppes - Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is one of the largest outdoor “juried” craft shows in the country
- (150+) Artisans including over twenty Artisans demonstrating their crafts each day of the Festival
- (5) Food Areas (Kitchens)
- (12) Pubs & Taverns including (1) full bar & full-service restaurant
- More than (20) tons of the Festival's famous Giant Turkey Legs are devoured annually during the eight week festival
- An average of (20) Weddings are conducted at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® annually during the course of each eight week season (real weddings – not performances)
- Average visit is (5) hours
- The festival is a privately held company owned by the same two families since its inception

National Recognition

- NBC's First Look
- Travel Channel
- CNN.com
- Food Network



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Accolades

- **Best Place to Escape Reality** – Dallas Observer
- **“Top (#2) Family Friendly Renaissance Faire in the U.S.”** – Family Vacation Critic
- **Best Seasonal Event in Ellis Co** – Waxahachie Daily Light
- **Top 5 Things to Do in D/FW** – Dallas Morning News
- **Top 6 Events Not to Miss in D/FW** – Dallas Child
- **Top 10 Things to Do** – Fort Worth Star Telegram
- **Best Bet** – Dallas Voice

Entertainment

- (25+) Stages of continuous live entertainment with over 200 performances daily
 - Sword Fighting, Whip Masters, Comedians, Acrobats, Escape Artists, Musicians, Singers, Jugglers, German Bagpipes, Magicians, Belly Dancing, Renaissance period instrumentals, Court Dancing, Aerialists, Puppeteers and more
- (3) Full Combat Jousts each day
- Birds of Prey exhibitions conducted by “Last Chance Forever” Birds of Prey Conservancy
- Grande Parade, Children’s Knighting Ceremony, Combat Competitions, Renaissance Rides, Games of Skill, and much more!
- History, Customs & Manners lessons and Historic Weapons demonstrations
- (100+) Members of the Scarborough Academy of Performing Arts (SAPA) make up the performing company that become the “characters” of Scarborough including the Royal Court, visiting Nobility, Villagers and Peasants.
 - The majority of the SAPA performers are volunteer actors and perform eight consecutive weekends of 10 hours a day, outdoor improvisational theater on our 35 acre stage
 - SAPA conducts eight weeks of rigorous training and rehearsals *prior* to the festival
 - A number of performances and activities also involve SAPA members: Children’s Knighting Ceremony, Customs & Manners Show, Scarborough Hath Talent, Tales from the Village, the Faebles, Maypole Dance/Ceremony; Court & Country Dances and more.
 - Many SAPA performers have been in “character” for many years. In fact, Queen Margaret is celebrating her 22nd year!



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Visual Artwork, Crafts & Demonstrations

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is one of the largest outdoor juried craft shows in the country and is the place to go to discover the most unique artwork and handmade crafts in North Texas. The Festival has 200 Shoppes featuring one-of-a-kind treasures for every taste and budget. Many of the artisans also demonstrate their crafts throughout the days of the Festival and/or are on hand to talk about the outstanding workmanship and unusual techniques that go into creating every piece.

- **Glass Works** - Full glassblowing and glass sculpting studios at the festival. Blown glass (glasses, mugs, bowls, etc), sculpted glass figurines, jewelry, stained glass, cut glass and more
- **Painters & other visual artists** - paintings, charcoals, handmade books, etc.
- **Sculpting** - Life castings, intricate stone & wax carvings
- **Jewelry** - Precious stones, intricate beadworks, gold & silver masterpieces, chainmaille, crowns & tiaras
- **Pottery** - figurines plus functional pieces – bowls, mugs, pitchers & more
- **Woodworking** – musical instruments, carvings, mugs, bowls, walking sticks, treasure boxes, wands, toys, whistles, swords, bows, etc
- **Metalsmithing** - operational forge & blacksmithing shoppes at the festival with daily demonstrations with pewter, cast iron & steel. Household wares, wine racks, head boards, figurines, etc. Plus, swords & knives
- **Clothiers, Leatherworks & Hammock Weaving**
 - Fine, handmade clothing – weaving, needlepoint, silk works, cotton, wool & more
 - Clothing: dresses, capes, corsets, shirts, wraps, period attire, kilts, footwear, etc.
 - Accessories: scarves, belts, woven bags, leather pouches, wallets, purses, head-ware, parasols, etc
 - Household items: hammocks, pennants, tabards & tapestries
- **Miscellaneous** - Soaps, Perfumes, lotions, oils, incense, dolls, handmade/painted masks, Ocarinas, hand fans, fairy wings and much, much more

Food & Drink Fit for a King

- (5) Food court areas (kitchens) are strategically located throughout the Festival site, each offering a completely different, non-traditional “fair” menu selection
- (1) Full service restaurant
- Daily wine and beer tasting events conducted each day
- Plus, our very own Bakery, Pasta Shop and roving specialty food carts
- Festival favorites include:
 - Giant Roasted Turkey Legs, Scottish Eggs, the *largest Food-On-A-Stick selection in Texas* (chicken, steak, sausage, fruit, macaroni & cheese, mushrooms, key lime pie, and more on-a-stick), hand-made Pastas, crab cakes, quiches, crepes, Sheppard’s Pie, meat pies, Etouffee, fresh fruit, salads, Jumbo Fajitas, delectable pastries and hundreds of other international foods
- (12) Pubs & Taverns and (1) full bar
- Scarborough Mead – specially blended exclusively for Scarborough Renaissance Festival by North Texas’ La Buena Vida Winery