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## 2021 Festival Facts

Dates & Times: April 10 – May 31, 2021  
Saturdays & Sundays + Memorial Day Monday  
10 am – 7 pm Daily

***Fun for Everyone 16<sup>th</sup> Century Style - Outdoors!***

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

Tickets:

- \$37 Adults / \$17 Children (5-12) Children 4 & under are FREE
- Discount Offer available at Participating T-Mobile stores
- Discount Tickets available at Tom Thumb & Albertsons stores
- 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

Theme: ***Step Back in Time for the Time of Your Life at the 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Scarborough Renaissance Festival®!***

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

What is Scarborough Renaissance Festival®:

The 40<sup>th</sup> Annual Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is fun for everyone, 16<sup>th</sup> Century style! Plus, it's all outdoors! Here you will step back in time for the time of your life as you discover our 35-acre re-creation of an English village celebrating the visit of King Henry VIII, 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 style entertainment and our 50+ member performing company. Discover hundreds of shoppes featuring exquisite crafts and authentic artisan demonstrations. Experience Knighting Ceremonies, combat competitions, a Grande Parade, Renaissance rides, games of skill and so much more.

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

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



## 2021 Themed Weekends & Special Events

- **April 10 & 11**      **Opening Weekend / Travel Back in Time Weekend**
  - Kid's Free (up to 3 kids 12 & under free with each paid adult, Senior Half Price Discount Day
  - (All New) Mask Contest
  
- **April 17 & 18:**      **Artisan's Showcase Weekend**
  - On-Line Best in Show contest
  - Shop & Win promotion – Get two complimentary Scarborough tickets for every \$250 worth of purchases at the Festival this weekend.
  
- **April 24 & 25:**      **Royal Ale Festival**
  - (All New) Royal Ale Tasting Tour
    - Taste your way around Scarborough and experience exciting new beer offerings throughout the weekends.
    - Separate ticketed event is \$10 per person. Must be 21 or older to participate.
  - Stein Holding Competition
  
- **May 1 & 2:**      **Live the Fantasy / Spring Celebration Weekend**

Fantasy enthusiasts, Cosplay Fans, and techies – this weekend is just for you! Come live the Fantasy!

  - Adult's & Children's Costume Contests, Children's Fairy Initiation
  - Spring Celebration
  
- **May 8 & 9:**      **Celebrating Chivalry Weekend**
  - Vow Renewal Ceremony
  - Chivalry Lessons with the Scarborough Knights
  
- **May 15 & 16:**      **Celtic Weekend**
  - Unleash your inner Celt this Weekend while enjoying special Celtic performances and testing your fortitude in a number of themed competitions.
  - Deaf Awareness Day, Saturday May 15<sup>th</sup>
  
- **May 22 & 23:**      **Legends of the Seas Weekend**
  - Adult's & Children's Costume Contests
  - (All New) Naval Enlistment Ceremony
  
- **May 29, 30 & 31:**      **The Last Huzzah**

2021's Historical Tour (All New), Memorial Day Military Parade and Fallen Heroes Tribute



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## 2021 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
    - \$35 per person (in addition to Festival admission)
    - *Limited seating available – advance discount ticket purchase recommended*
  
- **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
    - \$35 per person (in addition to Festival admission)
    - *Limited seating available – advance ticket discount purchase recommended*

## 2021 Daily Wine & Beer Tasting Themes

	<u>Wine Tastings</u>	<u>Beer Tastings</u>
• <b>April 10 &amp; 11:</b>	Wines of Spain	Beers of Texas
• <b>April 17 &amp; 18:</b>	Wines of Italy	Beers of Belgium
• <b>April 24 &amp; 25:</b>	Will it Blend?	Blind Date
• <b>May 1 &amp; 2:</b>	Wines of Germany	Beers of Germany
• <b>May 8 &amp; 9:</b>	Wines of the New World	Beers of the New World - Traditional
• <b>May 15 &amp; 16:</b>	Wines of France	Beers of the Celtic Isles
• <b>May 22 &amp; 23:</b>	Wines from Down Under	Beers of the New World - Creative
• <b>May 29, 30 &amp; 31:</b>	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



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## 2021 – 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 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.
- Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is family friendly with many performances and activities for kids such as the Knighting Ceremonies, the Mermaid Lagoon, Nature of Mercy, Accidental Acrobats, Cirque du Sewer, Emrys Fleet Rat Show, Harmless Danger Juggling Show, Kamikaze Fireflies, Shakespeare Approves, 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, Rose & Thorny, and the King's Pub - Pub Sing.

### New Entertainment

- **Accidental Acrobats** - This duo will flip, tumble & crash their way into your hearts with a spectacle of super-human stunts & pun-derful antics! *(April 10 – May 16 only)*
- **Celtic Legacy** - World-class bagpipes, earthshaking drums, rockin' guitars and a mile-a-minute banter only barely scratches the surface of this comedic group of Celtic Lads! *(April 24 – May 31 only)*
- **Cirque La Vie** - A non-stop exciting family friendly circus show full danger, comedy lovable characters and a Viking! *(May 8 – 31 only)*
- **Emrys Fleet's Rat Extravaganza** - A hilarious comedy show featuring Pesky the Wonderous one-eyed rat and Wilbur the Dancing weasel! *(May 8 – May 31 only)*
- **The Inheritance** - In the spirit of the Romany, enjoy this band of multi-instrumentalists including accordion, clarinet, taboura & percussion! *(April 17 - 25 only)*
- **Gypsy Rox** - Crossing tonal boundaries with violin, guitar & vocals on their backs with a mix of Celtic, Gypsy, Medieval music! *(April 10 – May 2 only)*
- **Here be Pirates!** - Captain James and first mate Rose regale with tales of their boldness, their bravery, and their stupidity on the high seas. Come as you ARR, because Here Be Pirates. *(April 10 – May 2 only)*
- **Lady Genevieve** - In the long folk tradition of bards, Lady Genevieve performs her unique brand of guitar & vocal faire favorites
- **The Lynx Show** – A one-of-a-kind comedy, sword swallowing, magic show. *(April 10 – May 2 only)*
- **The Pinwheel Side Show** – Pipsy the clown brings the amazing world of sideshow to the stage!
- **Rat Puck** - Rat Puck is a game for Kings and Commoners alike similar the Scottish "golf" but played with rats and sticks! Rat Puck! Puck we Must! *(May 8 – May 31 only)*
- **Rose & Thorny** - Rose (Iris and Rose) and Thorny (The Flaming Idiots) Presenting funny and bawdy songs both original and classic, intertwined with jokes, limericks and toasts. PG-16
- **Scotland Rising** - A festival pipe band with 2 world class pipers and a world class percussionist and insult to the music world front guy! *(April 10 – April 18 only)*
- **Shakespeare Approves** - Join your friendly, neighborhood Shakespeare as he takes you on an audience-interactive, improvisational adventure that is shaped to be fun for everyone! *(May 22 - 31 only)*
- **Statue Comedius de Marbelous** - There are many living statues, but Comedius de Marbelous is the only one ancient Lively Statue! *(April 24 – May 31 only)*



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### New & Guest Artisans

- **Artemis Designs** – Silver Cast Jewelry
- **Badger Creek Studios** – Painted Drinking Horns
- **Cabinet of Wonder** – Clay Sculpture - *(May 8 – 16 only)*
- **Carnelian Star** -Pearl Jewelry
- **CBD Dragon Sweets Shoppe** – Chocolates & CBD Chocolates
- **Chained Reaction Chainmaille** – Chainmaille
- **Fairies of the Swamp & Salt Cellar** – Sculpted Fairies, Teas, Sales & Boot Shine
- **Gypsy Isle Trading Company** – Clothing
- **Gypsy Eyes** – Face Painting
- **Jewelry Designs by E. Paule** – Jewelry
- **John's Woods** – 3-D Wood Art
- **King's Fly Rods** – Hand Made Bamboo Fly Rods
- **Masquerade Life Casting** – Body Castings & Original Sculptures *(May 8 – 16 only)*
- **Medieval Mapmaker** – Maps & Scrolls
- **The Quriky Cork** – Succulents, Shells & Gourds
- **Sabersmith Swords** – Swords & Blades
- **Sculpted – Connie Colten Jewelry** - *(May 8 – 16 only)*
- **Sea Song Jewelry** – *(April 10 – May 2 only)*
- **Silverleaf Costumes** – Costumes - *(April 11 – May 13 only)*
- **Sinclair Wood Carving** – Wood Carved Art
- **Stonewick Custom Stone & Wood** – Stone & Wood Home Accessories
- **Tarot by Kolisha** – Tarot & Palm Readings
- **Two Tarts Toppers** – Decorated Hats *(April 10 – May 2 only)*
- **Wood, Willow & Whatknots** – Incense, Wood Burning & Beaded Jewelry

### New Custom Blended Mead

- **Scarborough Mead** – New for the 2021 season, Scarborough Renaissance Festival® is opening up new paths to unique flavors by proudly offering Enchanted Manor Mead throughout the Festival. This traditional mead is sweet and easy to drink and maintains the character of the wildflowers from which it derived.



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## 2021 Festival Facts

### History/Overview

2021 marks the 40<sup>th</sup> 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 16<sup>th</sup> 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 drawing an average of 200,000 people each year
- 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, the main Festival site, is 35 acres (larger than most shopping malls) set within a 155-acre property
- (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
- (50+) 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 a dozen Artisans demonstrating their crafts each day of the Festival
- (5) Food Areas (Kitchens)
- (12) Pubs & Taverns including (1) full bar & full-service restaurant (carry-out only for the 2021 season)
- 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

- Cooking Channel – Carnival Eats
- Travel Channel
- CNN.com
- Food Network
- NBC’s First Look



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### Accolades

- **Top 10 Renaissance Festival in the US** – TravelAwaits.com
- **Top 10 May Festival in the Southwest** - Everfest
- **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 Swallowers, Whip Masters, Comedians, Acrobats, Sword Fighters, Musicians, Singers, Jugglers, Scottish Bagpipes & Percussions, 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, Renaissance Rides, Games of Skill, and much more!
- History, Customs & Manners lessons and Historic Weapons demonstrations
- (50+) 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, Maypole Dance/Ceremony; Court Dances and more.
  - Many SAPA performers have been in “character” for many years. In fact, Queen Margaret is celebrating her 23<sup>rd</sup> 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 (carry out only for 2021)
- 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
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