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### **It's Time to Showcase Artisans at Scarborough Renaissance Festival®**

Dallas/Fort Worth, TX. (April 10, 2023): Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) is putting the spotlight on the Artisan Marketplace with its extraordinary artisans and their amazing crafts this weekend, April 15<sup>th</sup> and 16<sup>th</sup>, for the ninth annual Artisans Showcase Weekend! This weekend only, you can shop ‘til you drop at the Festival’s 200+ shoppes and get two complimentary 2023 single day tickets to Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®). The tickets will be valid any day of the 2023 Festival season when you bring \$350 worth of receipts (for items purchased this weekend only) from the Festival shoppes to the redemption tent outside the main gates between 12:00 noon and 8:00 pm each day.

Plus, now through April 21<sup>st</sup>, visitors can participate in Scarborough’s virtual best in show contest at <https://www.srfestival.com/fun/themed-weekends/> where they can vote for their favorite Artisan/Shoppe and have the chance to win a basket filled with treasures from the Scarborough Artisans.

Guest Artisans this weekend are Bewitching Books, Lady Oddball, and Spellbound Creations. Make sure to check out the 17 new Artisans for 2023 as well!

This weekend, April 15<sup>th</sup> & 16<sup>th</sup>, it’s also time to celebrate the reigning monarchs with the all-new ‘It’s A Royal Wedding Event’ at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®). Visitors are invited to join the fun and frivolity as the “wedding” between King Henry VIII and his new bride Queen Katherine Parr (as portrayed by members of the Scarborough Academy of Performing Arts) takes place at the Royal Pavilion at 1:30 pm each day. Come celebrate!

*“We are extremely proud of the extraordinary Artisans Marketplace at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) and the Artisans Showcase weekend allows us to show off all the amazing craftsmen & women!”* says Helaine Thompson, Director of Marketing & Communications. *“Our artisans have some of the most fantastic artwork and crafts that you simply can’t find anywhere else. Visitors also have the opportunity to watch how many of these crafts are made as the artisans demonstrate age-old techniques every day of the Festival season. It really makes you appreciate the hard work and artistry that goes into making these pieces. You don’t want to miss it!”*

Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) is a full day of interactive fun for everyone, 16<sup>th</sup> Century style! Here you will discover a 35-acre recreation of a 16<sup>th</sup> Century English village celebrating the visit of King Henry VIII and his new bride, Katherine Parr (number 6 for those who are counting) with a festival of entertainment, artisans, food, magic, and merriment!

The Festival runs Saturdays, Sundays, and Memorial Day Monday, now through May 29, 2023. Visitors will enjoy full combat armored jousting, Birds of Prey exhibitions, the Mermaid Lagoon, Knighting ceremonies, a 90+ member performing company, and 20+ stages of extraordinary interactive entertainment. There are also Renaissance rides, games of skill, and so much more!

Limited Engagement entertainment this weekend includes Burbage & the Bard – PG 16 (4/8-4/30), Cari’s Creatures (4/8-4/30), Ermagerd the Bard (4/15-4/16 & 5/20-5/29), Langer’s Ball (4/8-4/30), and The Ironhill Vagabonds (4/8 – 4/30).

Plus, there is food & drink fit for a king with 5 food courts and 12 pubs & taverns at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®). Those 21+ with discerning pallets can partake in a beer or wine tasting event. The seating at the tastings is limited and they regularly sell out, so visitors are encouraged to purchase their tasting tickets in advance (and at a discount) at [www.SRFestival.com](http://www.SRFestival.com) Tasting tickets are \$35 each at the event in addition to Festival admission. This weekend’s themes are the Wines of Italy and the Beers of Belgium.

Upcoming themed weekends are: Viking & Ale Weekend (4/22 & 4/23), Live the Fantasy & Spring Celebration (4/29 & 4/30), Celtic Weekend (5/6 & 5/7), Celebrating Chivalry Weekend & Mother’s Day (5/13 & 5/14), Legends of the Seas (5/20 & 5/21), and the Last Huzzah (5/28, 5/29 & 5/30). Special events surrounding these themes include costume contests, tug o’ war competitions, Fairy Initiations, Kids 12 & Under Free on Mother’s Day, and the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Chocolate Sensations event (5/13 & 14). Get all the details at [www.SRFestival.com](http://www.SRFestival.com)

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Come Step Back in Time for the Time of your Life at Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) Saturdays, Sundays, and Memorial Day Monday, now through May 29, 2023. New for 2023, credit cards are now accepted at most food & drink locations as well as the ticket office, souvenir shoppes, and most of the Artisans shoppes. Games and Rides are cash only and ATM’s are conveniently located throughout the Festival.

Single day tickets for the 2023 season are \$37 at the gate for Adults (13+) and \$17 for Kids (5-12). Kids 4 & under are always Free. Advance discount tickets are available at [www.SRFestival.com](http://www.SRFestival.com) and single day discount tickets are also available at North Texas Tom Thumb & Albertsons stores.

Located in Waxahachie, Texas, Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) is just 30 minutes south of the downtowns of Dallas and Fort Worth off I-35E and one hour north of Waco. Scarborough Renaissance Festival® (Scarborough Faire®) is sponsored by Dr Pepper and Tom Thumb & Albertsons.

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