



Maligayang Pasko!

Contest Rules and Guidelines:

1. The Christmas Parol 2023 Competition, officially called “**Maligayang Parol**” Lantern Design Competition, which is staged annually by the FACCGN aims to spawn cultural entrepreneurship and spur creativity within the community. The Parol Contest also expands the observance Philippine Christmas traditions meant to spark joy, pride and community.
2. The contest is open to all Las Vegas residents. A non-refundable entry fee of **\$10.00** will be charged per entry and multiple entries will be allowed for as long as they pay the entry fee per contest entry.
3. There is no limit to the type of decoration and enhancement materials but lightweight, recyclable and native materials like fibers, bamboo strips, or any crafting material like plastic, wire or metal can be used. Emphasis will be on the creativity in the use of unexpected materials. But the shape should conform to the traditional **Philippine Parol which can be but not limited to a 5 pointed star with two fringe or tails. A statement should accompany the entry to describe the recycled or up cycled in the making of the parol design as judging criteria will have this as a key criteria.**
4. The sizes should be no less than a foot in diameter and no greater than three (3) feet across, excluding the tails. It must be capable of being hung or maybe propped up on a pole that can be carried. Optional: battery operated lighting (no candles), movable decorations.
5. The final product must be home-made/handmade; however, the ornaments can be hand-made, purchased, and best, made from recycled materials. The

enhancements can be hand-painted, sewn, lettered, collaged, lit, fringed as long as the base material can allow it.

6. The first round of judging will be based on the clear images or photos to be sent in by the participant entries and will have to include a front, side and back image of the finished entry. They will be uploaded to the FACCGN designated online polling site where the participants can campaign for votes on their entries.

7. The final judging will be based on the top ten entries culled from the **online voting to be posted via our Social Media pages** exhibited and hung at the Vegas FAB event venue. They will be exhibited and voted on by the viewing public and a judging panel and validated by a Judging Panel. All entries may be picked up after the event. All entries will be numbered during the final judging. However, since this is a public event that is expected to have hundreds of attendees, the parol finalists can be opened for sale or order taking during the event times.

8. The winning parol/s will be announced during the Awarding Ceremony on October 28, 2023 at 4 pm during the Vegas FAB Business Expo Trade Show at the Orleans Casino. All final 10 participants will receive a Certificate of Participation during the the awarding ceremonies and picture taking for social and community news publications like Asian Journal and Philippine Times of Southern Nevada. Since this is an event that will be attended and covered by major news media organizations in tri-media and the digital platforms, the winners have the added benefit of publicity and exposure.

9. Judging Criteria:

Creativity/can be produced commercially	40%
Workmanship	30%
Votes (online)	30%

Prizes:

1st Place – a beautiful Star Trophy with a \$2000 worth of mentoring and business advisory from the chamber’s team of Experts over a period of a year.

2nd Place - a certificate

3rd Place – a certificate

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