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OC ART LEAGUE SEEKS DECORATORS FOR HOLIDAY TREE CONTEST AT WINTERFEST OF LIGHTS WITH \$1,000 CASH PRIZE

OCEAN CITY, MD — *Sept. 30, 2025* — The Art League of Ocean City invites local artists, nonprofits, and businesses to compete in the annual tree decorating contest, "Trees for the Arts," at Winterfest of Lights at Northside Park in Ocean City.

The Art League supplies the 6-foot artificial trees, and decorators compete for the most votes and the honor of taking home a cash prize. The public will tour the trees during Winterfest and vote on their favorite decorations at \$1 per vote. The tree with the most votes will win \$1,000.

"Embrace the holiday spirit and show your creativity by transforming a Christmas tree into a stunning masterpiece that reflects your unique style or your organization's mission," Aubrey Sizemore, Art League Trees for the Arts coordinator, said. "Let your imagination run wild with lights, ornaments, ribbons, and other decorations. Don't miss out on this opportunity to shine."

Sizemore noted that the number of available trees is limited, and the earliest reservations get the trees. The entry fee is \$40. The trees will be decorated at Northside Park on Nov. 12-13 from 9 a.m.-3 p.m., and will be on display during the Winterfest of Lights opening Nov. 20 and running through Dec. 31.

Proceeds from "Trees for the Arts" votes will benefit the youth outreach programs of the Art League. Trees for the Arts is sponsored in part by the Town of Ocean City.

To enter or for more details, contact Sizemore at aubrey@artleagueofoceancity.org or 410-524-9433.

The Art League of Ocean City is a non-profit organization dedicated to bringing the visual arts to the community through education, exhibits, scholarship, programs and community art projects. Financial support comes primarily through membership dues from individuals and corporate sponsors.