



9th Annual

ESCONDIDO TAMALE FESTIVAL

November 8th, 2026 - 11am to 5 pm
Grape Day Park, Escondido, CA



WAG & WOOF COSTUME CONTEST @2pm AND FASHION SHOW CONTESTANT INSTRUCTIONS

Dear Furry Friend Contestant,

Thank you for joining us today at the Escondido Tamale Festival. We are excited to have you and your "Furbaby" as a contestant in our Wag & Woof Costume Contest and Furry Fashion Show. Here is what you need to know...OPEN TO ALL BREEDS, BIG OR SMALL!

When you arrive at the Festival:

- 1.) Please go to the INFORMATION BOOTH (located next to the Beer & Wine Garden) Take entry form filled out (below) Check in. There is no charge to enter, but contestants must sign up prior to 1:30PM.
- 2.) When you sign up, please remember your "sign in order number" and report to the Community Stage, at 1:40PM. Late arrivals may be removed from the contest line up.
- 3.) The top finalists will be chosen by our contest coordinator at approximately 1:50pm and the Contest and Fashion show will start at 2:00PM.

(Note: Times may vary slightly if performances go long/short. Thank you for your patience.)

Finalists:

Finalists should line up with your dog in your "sign in number" order. This is the order that you and your dog will be announced on stage. (NOTE: You may walk your dog on leash, or you may hold him/her.) At the announcement of the start of the fashion show, please enter your dog onto one side of the stage and casually walk in a full circle around the stage, for all to see. Please briefly STOP, CENTER STAGE (for a count of 3) for photo opportunities and to let the audience fully see your dog in costume. Then, exit the same side of the stage you started from. Crowd applause and out judge will determine our winners, who will be announced, on stage, immediately following the fashion show, followed by photos of our winners.

Winners:

The 1st, 2nd & 3rd place winners will each receive a Gift compliments of our Sponsor.

Please print out and fill in the information on application below. Bring to Information booth on day of event.

Questions? Email Sohaila at sohaila01@gmail.com or call/text to 760-519-9615

~ Good luck and we hope you have lots of furry fun! ~

Sincerely,

Escondido Tamale Festival by USA Multicultural Non Profit Organization



Wag & Woof Costume and Fashion Show Contest Application



Contest Time: 2:00 PM

Date _____

Owner's Name: _____

Pet's Name: _____

Breed: _____

Age: _____

Email Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Costume Theme or Description:

Terms & Conditions:

1. All pets must remain on a leash or in a carrier at all times.
2. Owners are responsible for their pets' behavior and any accidents or injuries caused by their pets.
3. Participation in the contest grants USA Multicultural permission to use photos or videos of your pet for promotional purposes.
4. Pets must be current on all vaccinations.

Waiver of Liability:

By signing below, I understand and agree that I am fully responsible for my pet's actions during the event. I release USA Multicultural, event organizers, and all associated parties from any liability, claims, or damages that may arise from my participation in the Wag & Woof Contest.

Owner's Signature: _____

Date: _____

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