



## EUPORA CHAINSAW & ART COMPETITION

September 25 to 28, 2024

EUPORA, MISSISSIPPI



## SCHEDULE OF EVENTS

- Carving begins Wednesday, September 25 at 10:00 a.m. and ends on Saturday, September 28 at 4 p.m.
- Quick Carves will be at 10am Friday morning and 6:00 p.m. on Friday and Saturday evenings. All Quick Carves will take place by your carving station and we will have cones and barriers to keep people back from you while you're carving.
- Main Carvings must be completed by 4:00 p.m. on Saturday, September 28th. The general public will vote for their favorite carving on Saturday. Winners will be announced after the quick carve on 9/28.

## FAQ FOR EUPORA CHAINSAWS & ART FESTIVAL:

- **Will I be compensated for competing?**
  - The Eupora Economic Development will provide each carver with \$200 cash at the start of the competition for Show-up/gas money and you have the ability to win prize money as follows:
    - 1<sup>st</sup> Place: \$1,500
    - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place: \$1,000
    - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place: \$500
    - Carver's Choice: \$250
  - Winners will be determined by public vote at the end of the event on September 28th. This event is for the public, so we let them pick the carvings they like best!
- **Where will the carving take place?**
  - In Garan Property in City of Eupora, 55 Government Avenue, Eupora, MS 39744
- **Will there be quick Carves?**
  - Yes! Friday at 10am, Friday and Saturday nights at 6pm.
  - Mississippi Public Broadcasting TV is tentatively scheduled to come to our event to broadcast live on Friday, 9/27 from 10am to 11am. We will provide more details closer to the event.
  - All carvers are strongly encouraged to participate. These are timed hour long quick carves followed by an auction on Saturday, 9/28th. The Eupora Economic Development will keep 25% of the money to help cover costs of the event and the carver will keep 75% of the money.
- **Where will I stay?**
  - The Eupora Economic Development will book a block of RV Sites at White's Creek Lake Campground located in the City of Eupora. For those that do not have an RV a block of rooms at a nearby hotel for carvers to stay from 9/25 – 9/28. All carvers must check out on Sunday, September 29<sup>th</sup> and any additional charges accrued will be the carver's responsibility at either the

White's Creek Lake Campground or hotel. The Eupora Economic Development will pay for your RV Site/Hotel Room, but each carver will have to put a card on file at the hotel to cover any incidental charges. We will update all participating carvers on the location of the hotel/RV Site as the event draws near.

**Will we be fed?**

- Of course! We will provide meals for each carver (plus one) as well as beverages and snacks while you're busy carving away.

• **What's happening Saturday?**

- Saturday, September 28th will be filled with fun kid's activities, live music, food trucks, and of course the presentation of the winner of the Chainsaw & Art Competition!

• **What equipment/supplies will the Eupora Economic Development be providing?**

- The Economic Development Organization will provide professional scaffolding, chainsaw oil and gas as well as folks to help clean up!
- Logs will be supplied for carvings.

• **May I sell merchandise and other carvings?**

- Absolutely! You can display and sell carvings throughout the event. We will also have entertainment on Saturday afternoon. We want this to be a profitable event for you as a carver!

• **What happens to the main carvings?**

- The Main Carvings will be kept by the City of Eupora and will be displayed throughout the City of Eupora so that they can be visited and admired by all City's residents as well as visitors to the community.

• **Who will be my point of contact?**

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