



Dear Amigos,

The **VIVA! Cinco de Mayo** organizing committee would like to extend an invitation to you and your organization to participate in the **VIVA! Cinco de Mayo downtown parade**, which will be held on **Saturday, May 2, 2009 at 9:00 a.m.**

All applications should be mailed to **VIVA! Cinco de Mayo Parade; c/o Parade Committee; P.O. Box 953; San Marcos, TX 78667** or Faxed to **512/396-5829**.

We sincerely hope that you or your organization will make plans to join us on **May 2, 2009**. If you have any questions about the parade please call our office at 512/353-8482 or visit us on the Internet at www.vivacincodemayo.org.

Sincerely,

Mark Perez

Parade Coordinator

**2009 VIVA! CINCO DE MAYO
& STATE MENUDO COOK-OFF
PARADE APPLICATION**

Date: Saturday, May 2, 2009

Time: 9:00 a.m.

NAME OF ORGANIZATION: _____

CONTACT PERSON (S) NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY/STATE: _____ **ZIP:** _____

TELEPHONE: (HM) _____ **(WK)** _____

FAX NUMBER: _____ **EMAIL:** _____

TYPE OF ENTRY

Float – Length (including motor): _____

Vehicle and/or Trailer: (Length): _____

Marching – Number of participants: _____ **Horse or Carriage:** _____

Other: _____

CATEGORY OF ENTRY (Please check one)

<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting Non-Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Car & Truck Clubs
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting Festivals & Fairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marching School Bands
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Non-Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	School Organizations	<input type="checkbox"/>	Marching Unit
<input type="checkbox"/>	Local Festivals & Fairs	<input type="checkbox"/>	Individual Entries	<input type="checkbox"/>	Political Candidate
<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting Organization	<input type="checkbox"/>	Military	<input type="checkbox"/>	Elected Official
<input type="checkbox"/>	Visiting Commercial	<input type="checkbox"/>	Mounted Groups	<input type="checkbox"/>	Church Group

COMMENTS FOR THE PARADE ANNOUNCERS

Please print/type description of entry. Please include names of Queens, Princesses, Duchesses, politicians, other dignitaries, etc., who will be riding on the entry (use separate sheet if necessary):

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HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

The undersigned agrees to participate in the 2009 VIVA! Cinco de Mayo downtown parade to be held May 2, 2009 in San Marcos, Texas. We agree to cooperate in every way possible and to abide by the established rules in order to insure the safety and success of the parade.

The 2009 VIVA! Cinco de Mayo Committee shall not be responsible and/or held liable for the property of participants from theft, damage by fire, water, accidents and/or other causes of injuries. It is hereby understood and agreed that the above organization, business, corporation, and/or individual(s) shall not hold the officers, members, agents, volunteers and/or employees of VIVA! Cinco de Mayo, LULAC Council 654, City of San Marcos, Hays County and/or Sponsors of the event responsible for any and all liability, suit, destruction, injury, and/or claims caused by them, their volunteers and/or to volunteers, participants and/or spectators.

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____

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Guidelines for Parade Participants

1. Applications should be mailed in by April 25, 2009. Applications will still be accepted after this date.
2. Each entry shall be in “good taste” and shall, in the opinion of the judges add beauty and interest from the public point of view.
3. Each entry should display a sign or banner indicating affiliations.
4. Floats should bear the name of the community, organization, company, or individual responsible for its entrance in the parade on the side.
5. Participants must take and keep place assigned by the Parade Committee until the parade’s official termination.
6. Please keep a distance of three car lengths between you and the entry in front of you.
7. All vehicles should display their assigned entry number in a readable manner. A small hand-written sign (6 inches by 8 inches) in a window or taped to the side of the vehicle is recommended.
8. Each entry will make a stop in front of the Grand Stand while your entry is being announced.
9. The parade forms up on CM Allen between Hopkins and Cheatham.
10. Public Works will barricade connecting streets along the route a minimum of one hour in advance of the parade. There will be no vehicle traffic on the route once barricades are in place.
11. Throwing candy from vehicles or floats will be prohibited, although walkers may hand out treats.