1,000 pumpkins will be given away to contest entrants on Sunday, October 14.

Can’t make it to the giveaway? Carve your own pumpkin to enter in the contest!

Entry Categories
Age 2–4 / Age 5–7 / Age 8–10 / Age 11–13 / Age 14–17 / Penn State Student / Adult

Contest Rules
1. Each participant is allowed one entry.
2. Each pumpkin must have a hole of sufficient size (minimum 4 inches in diameter) to enable the Arboretum to illuminate it from the inside. Participants may not supply their own lighting devices.
3. Children in Age 2–4 and 5–7 categories may enter decorated, uncarved pumpkins.

Award Ribbons
1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place in all seven categories
➤ Best in Show
➤ Best Arboretum Theme
➤ Best Penn State Theme
➤ Best Pop Culture Theme

Jack-o’-Lantern and Ribbon Pick-Up
Sunday, October 21
10:00 a.m. to 12:00 p.m.
Arboretum Event Lawn
Unclaimed pumpkins will be composted at 12:00 p.m.