

Sponsor a Rain Barrel!

Since 2014, the City of Delaware has organized the Northern Olentangy Watershed (NOW) Festival that highlights our local, water resources. This summer, the 5th annual NOW Festival will take place on June 16th at Mingo Park (500 E. Lincoln Ave. Delaware, OH) from 12-3 p.m. As part of the festival, the annual rain barrel raffle will occur.

Rain barrels provide many storm water benefits including:

- Reduction of storm water runoff
- Providing a free/sustainable source of water for lawn and gardening care
- Reduction of harmful pollutants being carried into our waterways
- Reduction of ponding and flooding
- Reduction of water bill costs

Rain barrels have become increasingly popular. As a community, we can increase this popularity by making them more visually appealing. Businesses, organizations, and individuals have the opportunity to fund a rain barrel with an installation kit for \$34. The cost includes sanding, washing, and priming each barrel before it is given for painting. The barrels can be both sponsored and painted by the same entity, or a request can be made for a local art class to paint it. These barrels will be raffled off at the NOW Festival on June 16th at Mingo Park and proceeds will go to help support the Upper Olentangy River Watershed.

Payment must accompany the sponsorship requests. All rain barrel request forms must be received by Friday, April 13th by 4 p.m. The purchase of the rain barrel and kit is non-refundable. Checks can be made out to “City of Delaware, Public Utilities” and mailed to:

City of Delaware
Caroline Cicerchi, Watershed Coordinator
225 Cherry Street
Delaware, Ohio 43015





There are a limited number of barrels available for this opportunity. Once that limit has been obtained or the deadline for ordering has been reached the barrels will be distributed to the appropriate painters. Local art programs in the community, including local schools, have been contacted about painting some of these barrels.

If you are interested in utilizing one of these programs, please indicate so on the order form. There may be a limit with these programs, so each request will be accommodated on a first-come basis. You will be notified by email once the supplies are available for pickup or delivery. It is expected that the rain barrels will start to be delivered or available for pick up starting Monday, April 2nd as requests are received.

If you are painting the barrel yourself, please use outdoor acrylic paint (same paint that is bought for painting the outside of houses, outdoor fencing, etc.). The rain barrels will need to be decorated by May 31st. Once decorated, you can put them on display at your business either inside or outside leading up to the Northern Olentangy Watershed (NOW) Festival or, if preferred, they can be dropped off at the Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility for the City to put them on display.

All painted barrels will need to be delivered to the City of Delaware's Wastewater Treatment Plant Facility (225 Cherry St., Delaware, OH) before 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13th.

Please consider participating in this fun event! The festival will be held at Mingo Park (500 E. Lincoln Ave., Delaware, Ohio) on June 16th from 12:00-3:00 p.m. Raffle ticket sales will begin at 12 p.m. and end at 2:30 p.m. with the winning ticket to be drawn shortly after.

Please contact Caroline Cicerchi, Watershed & Sustainability Coordinator, with any questions at 740-203-1905 or ccicerchi@delawareohio.net.



Rain Barrel Sponsorship Form

Name of Rain Barrel Sponsor _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Phone _____

E-mail address _____ # of barrels _____

Barrel(s) Name _____

(May be provided later, but prior to June 13th, by contacting Caroline Cicerchi)

Please place a check mark in the box for each section:

We would like to:

- Decorate the barrel ourselves
- We would prefer an art program paint it but are willing to do it ourselves if one is not available.
- We are only interested in an art program decorating it.

If painting it, we would like the rain barrel:

- Delivered (to above address)
- Available for pickup

We would like:

- The City of Delaware to display the final product prior to festival
- To display the final product at our business/organization

The cost to sponsor the washed, primed, and sanded, barrel with the rain barrel kit is \$34.00. Checks can be made out to "City of Delaware, Public Utilities" and must accompany this form. The completed order form and check can be sent to:

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This form and attached check must be received by **Friday, April 13th** for your company to participate in the festival. In order to cover the actual cost to obtain and prepare the barrels and kits for the contest, if you purchase a rain barrel and it is not delivered to the City of Delaware's Wastewater Treatment Facility by June 13th, the company will be charged an additional \$50 per barrel. This fee will be due on July 16, 2018, one month after the event.

The completed rain barrel will be delivered to the City of Delaware's Wastewater Treatment Facility (225 Cherry St., Delaware, Ohio) prior to 4:00 p.m. on Wednesday, June 13th. The purchase of the rain barrel, kit, and preparatory supplies is non-refundable.

Signature

Date