

Scarborough's Hollow Returns Sept. 26 With Expanded 2026 Fall Festival

Expanded immersive fall fantasy festival debuts new adventures, live entertainment, and artisan experiences Sept. 26-Nov. 1.

DALLAS, TX, UNITED STATES, August 11, 2026 /EINPresswire.com/ -- Recognized as Favorite Faery/Fantasy Festival at the 21st Annual Renaissance Festival Awards, as voted on by Renaissance festival fans nationwide, Scarborough's Hollow returns this fall with its biggest and most immersive season yet. The expanded fall fantasy festival transforms Scarborough Faire's 16th century village into an enchanted world of fantasy, folklore and autumn adventure.



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Scarborough's Hollow will be open Saturdays, Sept. 26 through Oct. 31, plus Sunday, Nov. 1, for a special Día de los Muertos celebration. Festival hours are 1 to 9 p.m. at Scarborough Faire, 2511 FM 66 in Waxahachie. Tickets start at \$29.70 for adults and \$16.50 for children ages 5 to 12, plus tax, and go on sale Aug. 6 at www.ScarboroughsHollow.com.

Expanded for 2026, the festival offers more live entertainment, artisan shopping, seasonal food and beverages, themed environments, immersive attractions and interactive experiences than ever before, with new discoveries unfolding throughout the day and into the evening.

"Scarborough's Hollow isn't just another seasonal attraction," said Veronica Castelo, general manager of Southwest Festivals, producer of Scarborough Renaissance Festival and Scarborough's Hollow. "It's an immersive fantasy world where guests become part of the story. Every visit leads to a new discovery, every character has a tale to tell, and every visit offers something different to explore. We wanted to create an experience where people can escape reality for a day and step into a magical world they'll want to visit again and again."

A New Chapter Begins

This season introduces a new chapter in the Hollow's original storyline.

The Three Sisters, Morwyn, Faylen and Slyra, have long protected the balance of their magical realm. Now, a powerful new force has emerged. Lucian seeks to claim the Hollow for himself, spreading his influence throughout the village and challenging the Sisters like never before. Guests will experience the unfolding adventure through live performances, roaming characters, interactive encounters and immersive storytelling throughout the festival grounds.

Discover Something Around Every Corner

Throughout the village, guests can browse handcrafted goods from talented artisans, enjoy seasonal food and beverages, relax in lively pubs, experience live music, comedy and stage performances, and encounter whimsical creatures and colorful characters.

Visitors are encouraged to embrace the spirit of the Hollow by wearing family-friendly autumn, fantasy, Renaissance or period-inspired attire. Guests can also shop for clothing, accessories and handcrafted wares from the village's artisan merchants.

Signature Weekends & Seasonal Celebrations

Scarborough's Hollow will feature themed celebrations throughout the season, offering guests new experiences and reasons to return.

Deaf Awareness Day – Saturday, Oct. 3

Scarborough's Hollow will celebrate Deaf Awareness Day in partnership with Hired Hands, Inc. American Sign Language interpretation will be available during select performances, making the Hollow's entertainment and storytelling more accessible to the Deaf and hard-of-hearing community.

Artisan Appreciation Weekend – Saturday, Oct. 17

The festival will spotlight the artisans whose handcrafted creations help bring the village to life. Guests can meet the makers while exploring jewelry, leatherwork, pottery, artwork, home décor, fantasy-inspired gifts and more.

As a special one-day promotion, guests who spend \$250 or more with participating artisans will receive one complimentary admission ticket to either the 2027 Scarborough Renaissance Festival or any remaining 2026 Scarborough's Hollow operating day. Guests must present same-day qualifying receipts totaling \$250 or more at the Redemption Booth before leaving the festival.

Exclusions apply.

Halloween Celebration – Saturday, Oct. 31

Halloween at Scarborough's Hollow combines fall traditions with fantasy adventures. The first 500 children through the gates will receive a complimentary trick-or-treat bag before collecting treats from participating artisan merchants. Families can arrive in costume for the Costume Contest, enjoy pumpkin coloring in Kids' Hollow and experience live entertainment, seasonal food and beverages, Blackthorn Castle Haunted House, Rottingwood Cemetery Scavenger Hunt and festive photo opportunities.

Día de los Muertos Celebration – Sunday, Nov. 1

The season concludes with a special Día de los Muertos celebration honoring one of Mexico's most cherished traditions. Guests will enjoy live mariachi performances, cultural programming, colorful face painting and a community ofrenda honoring the memories of loved ones. Children can decorate Día de los Muertos sugar skull coloring pages in Kids' Hollow, while guests of all ages can participate in the Family Costume Contest and enjoy one final day of entertainment, shopping and immersive attractions.

Immersive Attractions

Guests can further enhance their visit with optional attractions and premium experiences throughout the festival.

Brave souls can enter the ancient Blackthorn Haunted Castle, where Lucian's dark influence has transformed its halls into a foreboding realm filled with eerie encounters.

Families and adventure seekers can explore Trickster's 3D Fun House, a walk-through attraction featuring colorful illusions, playful surprises and mind-bending twists inspired by Slyra's mischievous magic.

Guests can uncover hidden clues and forgotten secrets inside the Secrets of Rottingwood Cemetery, an interactive scavenger adventure that becomes even more mysterious after sunset.

Adults 21 and older can elevate their visit with guided Harvest Wine Tastings hosted by Certified Sommelier Flynn Markley or Brews of the Hollow Beer Tastings led by Certified Cicerone® Seamus Norwood.

Admission starts at \$29.70 for adults and \$16.50 for children ages 5 to 12, plus taxes, with season passes, bundled admission packages and premium experiences also available. Children 4 and younger are admitted free. General parking is included with most adult admission tickets.

Reserved premium parking, tastings and select attractions are available for an additional charge.

From whimsical daytime adventures to an enchanting atmosphere after sunset, Scarborough's Hollow offers guests an opportunity to celebrate autumn through imagination, exploration and shared experiences, with new discoveries and memorable characters around every corner.

Scarborough Renaissance Festival is sponsored by Dr Pepper and Tom Thumb & Albertsons.

For schedules, tickets and additional information, visit www.ScarboroughsHollow.com or follow SRFestival on Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and YouTube.

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