HOWLOWEEN
POOCH PARADE AND PET EXPO

Sunday, October 21, 1-5 p.m. in the UT Gardens, Knoxville

A costumed pet parade, prizes, food trucks, dog rescue groups, pet businesses, educational booths, a pet food drive, and lots more will make for a howling good time!

Costume Categories

Do(g) It Yourself (homemade costume)
Bad to the Bone (scariest costume)
Funny Bone (funniest costume)
Pup Culture (pop culture/character costume)

Several Judges’ Choice Awards will be handed out as well, including our Bone-Fido Best in Show!

Any nonperishable packaged animal food to benefit Young-Williams Animal Center

Event is free to attend. A registration fee applies for parade participants. Check-in and registration begins at 1:00 and ends at 2:15. Discounted preregistration available online until October 18. On-site registration is $15 per costume entry (can include multiple dogs in one entry if participating as a group within a category).

Important information

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Preregister your pet

Presented by the UT College of Veterinary Medicine & the UT Gardens

SAFETY TIPS

When participating in any event with your pets...

Vaccinations should be current.
Make sure your pets are socialized to other pets, people, and costumes.
Bring water for your pets.
Prepare for your pets’ comfort (excessive heat or cold temps).
Limit participation of pets that are very shy or get stressed easily.
Have safe and sturdy pet restraint items (collar, leash, and harness).
No retractable leashes, please.
Clean up after your pet.

Leslie Ackerson of WBIR will be the parade grand marshal. Crowd favorite Erin Donovan will be our PUPular emcee and locally known dog lovers will fill our judges panel!