



# CITY OF OAK PARK

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## Oak Park's Boo Bash Returns with a New Date

### 1st Annual Boo-Tification Awards to highlight City's spookiest homes

**FOR IMMEDIATE RELEASE**

**OCTOBER 1, 2019**

**OAK PARK, MI** - Oak Park's famous Boo Bash event returns this Halloween season with thousands of trick-or-treaters expected to be in attendance. However, after receiving feedback from residents, this year's Boo Bash will not be on Halloween night, and will instead be held on the Saturday before Halloween. This year's Boo Bash is on Saturday, October 26, 2019 from 5:00pm to 8:00pm.

As always, the event is held at the Oak Park Community Center, located at 14300 Oak Park Blvd, Oak Park, MI 48237. Join the festivities as families in costumes from all over southeast Oakland County have a ghastly good time collecting candy and goodies down Trick-Or-Treat Street! Enjoy music by DJ Truth throughout the event, as well as cider and donuts at the end of the evening.

The Facebook event link for the 2019 Boo Bash can be found [here](#).

Along with Boo Bash, Oak Park is also holding its 1st Annual Boo-Tification Awards! Oak Park residents who believe that they have the most boo-tiful Halloween display in the City can fill out a nomination form to be considered for an award! Nominations are due by October 10, with winners to be notified on October 24. Winners will receive a yard sign and bragging rights, and will be presented with their awards at Boo Bash! A printable nomination form can be found at this [link](#).

For more information about both Boo Bash and the Boo-Tification Awards, please call the Oak Park Recreation Department at (248) 691-7555.

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#### **About:**

Situated within the southeast corner of Oakland County, the City of Oak Park has a long history of being an integral, inner-ring suburb of Detroit. With approximately 30,000 residents in 5.16 square miles, we pride ourselves on the richness of our cultural diversity and our safe, secure neighborhoods.

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**Sponsorships available!**  
**Sounds by:**  
**DJ TRUTH**

**Boo Bash**

**SAVE THE DATE**

**Saturday, October 26, 5 to 8 p.m.**

- Enjoy Cider and Donuts at the end of your evening!
- Collect Candy Down our Trick-or-Treat Street
- Bring children in their favorite costume

**Held in the Oak Park Community Center**  
 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, MI 48237 | (248) 691-7555



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# 1st Annual Boo-Tification Awards

Does your house frighten all the little ghosts and ghouls that walk by? Are your decorations a scream? Decorate your house in the “Spirit” of Halloween! If you think you have the most boo-tiful house on the street, then send in your nomination for Oak Park’s first annual Boo-Tification Awards! Nominations are due by October 10, with winners notified on October 24. Winners will receive a yard sign (plus bragging rights!) and be presented with their awards at this year’s Boo Bash on October 26.

For more information, call **Oak Park Recreation at (248) 691-7555.**

## Nomination Form

Nominee’s Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Are You Nominating Yourself? (circle one)    Yes    No    If no, please tell us who you are!

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ E-Mail: \_\_\_\_\_

## Boo-Tification Awards - Rules & Criteria

- 1) Decorations can include anything—lights, inflatables, art, you name it! Each house will be judged on its unique presentation.
- 2) Decorations must be PG-13. Nothing too inappropriate for neighbors and children, please.
- 3) Decorations must comply with all City of Oak Park laws and housing codes.
- 4) Judging will take place from 7-9 p.m. the week of October 14. Decorations must be displayed during that time period to be judged!
- 5) Winning homes will be determined by a majority vote of the Committee.
- 6) There will be 3 winners chosen from each section of the City (use leaf collection schedule to determine your section), and 3 businesses from throughout the entire City.
- 7) Judging criteria: nighttime display, daytime display, use of lights, scariest display, most creative use of color, use of inflatables/props, theme execution, use of special effects, and interaction with children.

Email: [recoffice@oakparkmi.gov](mailto:recoffice@oakparkmi.gov), or mail to 14300 Oak Park Blvd., Oak Park, MI. 48237, Attn: Oak Park Recreation