Colonial Acres Neighborhood Association



Yard of the Month

Duane Wofford 4859 Mockingbird Lane

The harvest full moon is hung high. Dark shadows are falling on Mockingbird Lane. Fog is drifting & swirling near the feet of the captivating headless horseman who mesmerizes trick or treaters by the hundreds who shriek & tremble with blood curdling horror. As they raise their bags for treats their eyes lock on a life size pea green witch who lives in an 8-foot glass garden terrarium. A giant black widow spider



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has made her web in the witch's long tangled gray hair. A great white horned owl rests on the witch's arm. Her wizardry is complete with bottles of poison and potions. The witch has 132 shining jack o lanterns peeking out the cottage windows the glow of 1,650 witch cycles let the nightmare begin.

The Jack O Lantern weeps blood as evening tide unveils this night of horror. A hunched back black cat with red eyes and fangs is circling a King Cobra. The witch traps an enormous black rat in a glass dome for future use if the vulture sitting on top of the dome doesn't get it first. The mummification chamber features a 6 foot Egyptian mummy who coexists with vultures, skeletons and Frankenstein.



Three mammoth Tarantulas with animated legs are hovering on the roof. Duane Wofford transforms a 60-year-old oak tree using 500 feet of tube lighting starting 25 feet high. His favorite holiday is Halloween and his haunted house has evolved over 7 years. His favorite light is the witch flying over the moon in ruby slippers.

His advice for novice light shows is to start with something simple and expand. His inspiration comes from sharing his spellbound joy of Halloween with children.

Duane's wish list for next year is an army of 5-foot skeletons and a bone yard.

Neighbors Tom and Trish extend the holiday haunting with wizardry and witch cycles enough to bring in a 747.

Michael Huffman won best costume at Theater of Memphis for his famous Headless Horseman who greets each new arrival with a Jack O Lantern for a head and buckets of treats for the fearless.

This is a lightshow that must be seen to believe!