



Artwork must be approved by the Art Exhibit Curator. Artists will split the proceeds of their art with RISE. The theme is “We RISE by lifting others up” A picture of the artwork must be sent in but at least **September 4**. All artwork must be brought to the RISE office at 411 N. 38th Avenue in Hattiesburg by **September 22** .

The 2nd RISE Hattiesburg Hot Air Balloon Festival will take place the weekend of September 29–October 1, 2023. The mission of this event is to gather as a community and be inspired to RISE together while raising funds for the RISE nonprofit of Hattiesburg, MS.

The Festival will take place from Friday morning through Sunday afternoon and will include food vendors, a car show, rides, Hot Air Balloon activities, an Art Auction/Exhibit, live music, vendors and so much more.

Weather and wind permitting, we plan to have the hot air balloon festivities through the weekend, including balloons flying over town, meet and greets with the pilots, balloon glows, and tethered rides.

This event will help support RISE and its mission to Educate, Encourage, and Empower men and women to RISE to self-sufficiency. RISE, formerly known as Pinebelt Christian Women’s Job Corps, began in 2001 and became a 501c3 in 2011. Our purpose is to break the cycle of poverty through teaching people job skills and life skills, as well as loving them and empowering them with our faith. We believe if we teach these skills and how to be financially stable, we will not only be helping the one person, but also their family, their children, the next generation, and our community.

RISE is a “hand up” not a “hand out” program. We invest one full year into each participant through 8 weeks of free classes and then 9 months of mentor-ship. At RISE our number one goal is the success of our students. In order to achieve their goals, we partner with fellow nonprofits, a local college with their GED program, and we depend on generous and dedicated volunteers.

We feel that as a community we can come together, share resources, information, and skills, and help everyone RISE to success. Through working together our community can only become stronger and better/ We are excited to once again be bringing this family-friendly event that everyone can enjoy together! We have invited other nonprofits, all of our friends, and YOU!

Please consider joining us for this event and helping everyone in our community to RISE together!

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SECOND ANNUAL 2023 RISE HATTIESBURG

HOT AIR BALLOON FESTIVAL

Est. 2022



Poster Artwork DESIGN COMPETITION!

- All Ages Welcome
- Any Art Medium
- File Must Be Sent Digitally
- All Submission Will Be Judged Fairly / Anonymously

The Theme is “We RISE by lifting others up!” and the total poster size is 12”x18”, but the artwork should be about 6”x11.5” to leave enough space for information and sponsor logos to be added. Your artwork does not have to be in the same color palette as the logo and you can even re-design the logo if you would like! All artwork needs to be sent to risehattiesburg@gmail.com. If you would like the logo file you can email pennyrossdesigns@gmail.com to request it.

**Artwork Must
be Submitted by
June 1, 2023**

**The top 10 finalists
will be shared on
social media &
the 9 runner-ups will
be in the Art Exhibit.**

**The RISE Board
will vote from
the top 10
Final Designs**