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6th Annual FDTC Welding Sculpture Competition
to be held in downtown Florence during Arts International

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Join us on April 11 for Florence-Darlington Technical College’s 6th Annual Welding Sculpture Competition sponsored by ESAB Welding & Cutting Products. Teams of amateur and professional craftsmen from across the Pee Dee will have just eight hours to create a breathtaking piece of art, using only a pile of scrap material.

At the end of the competition, the sculptures will be judged by an independent panel of judges, and prizes will be awarded to the top teams. Prizes sponsored by ESAB Welding & Cutting Products. All sculptures will be available to purchase through a public live auction. The proceeds from the auction will benefit the FDTC Welding Technology Student Scholarship Fund.

Admission is free, and you’ll also enjoy plenty of food and other family-friendly activities.

Entry Fee: $250 per professional team; $150 per amateur team; and no entry fee for public school system teams.

Saturday’s Competition Itinerary

7:00 – 7:30 a.m. ________________ Booth set-up
7:30 a.m. ________________ “Diving For Scrap”
8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m. ______________ Sculpture Fabrication Period
4:00 – 4:20 p.m. ______________ Judging of Sculptures
4:30 p.m. ______________ Winners of Competition Announced/Live Auction Bidding
4:45 p.m. ______________ Booth Clean-up/Event Closes

Competition Rules

Each team will have eight hours to build and complete their sculpture. All sculptures must be in a finished state, ready to be installed, with a base and fixture accommodations. A panel of three community members will judge each piece based on aesthetics, quality of workmanship, adherence to rodeo theme, durability and safety, and appropriateness for public display.

Teams that create/display the theme of “Nature” will be eligible for juror’s awards or prizes. Prizes sponsored by ESAB Welding & Cutting Products.

Mission Statement

The FDTC Welding Sculpture Competition is a Pee Dee Regional initiative collaborating among the arts, manufacturing, and education to create awareness of Florence-Darlington Technical College’s educational offerings and provide scholarships for welding students in key industry growth areas.

If you have any questions about the FDTC Welding Sculpture Competition, please contact Jill Lewis at (843) 661-8003, or Emery DeWitt at (843) 661-8002.