

IF YOU STUMBLE  
MAKE IT PART  
OF THE DANCE

***BURNT SOUP TX***

***Elsewhere, Texas***

***September 1-5, 2016***

***Eloquent Stumble***

*What is Eloquent Stumble?*

*So after getting some feedback and some self-research: Eloquent Stumble may be going through life with little falls along the way with brilliance, trying to say the right thing and bumbles but still with some passion and poignant, to walk with a wobble and recover gracefully, to flounder while express oneself, being shuffle colorfully...but mostly Life is an Eloquent Stumble...Basically it's what you make of it!*

*We all take life in our own way maybe with grace and maybe with a Stumble. Come join the fun by Burning up the night and Celebrating the day!*

**YOU AGREE TO ABIDE BY ALL RULES IN THIS SURVIVAL GUIDE. THERE WILL BE A TEST. SERIOUS.**

***THURSDAY, September 1 to MONDAY, September 5, 2016***



## GATE HOURS

### Thursday, September 1st

Noon – 9 pm

*Do not show up early: you will not be admitted!*

### Friday, September 2nd

9 am - Midnight

### Saturday, September 3rd

9 am – 9 pm

### Sunday, September 4th

9 am – 6 pm

*No admittance after 5 pm so volunteers can enjoy the Burn too!*

### Monday, September 5th

*You must leave the property by 5 pm*



## GATE, TICKETS, and GREETERS

### ENTERING THE GATE

*The first folks you'll encounter are the Property staff of Recreation Plantation! The **GATE IS STAFFED BY A PRIVATE COMPANY** working with Burnt Soup.*

*THIS IS FIRST PLACE YOU WILL NEED YOUR TICKET IN HAND TO GET INTO THE MAIN GATE!*

*Note: You are not Checked-In YET!*

- Gate is not Greeters and Check-In. **BE READY FOR GREETERS TO PROCESS YOUR TICKET and GREET YOU!**
- Remember to keep clothed properly until Greeters Station...than Strip if necessary at Greeters!
- Follow all requests from Gate staff: **GIVING THEM ATTITUDE**

**WILL NOT GET YOU IN ANY FASTER**. THIS INCLUDES IF THEY ASK YOU TO PARK FIRST OFF THE ROAD to SHOW THEM YOUR TICKET!

- Be nice to Gate. They're super-awesome folks who ensure the use of the Property and essential job for Burnt Soup!

### GOING TO GREETERS

- Arrive at a Greeter station ready for some love!! The Greeters will be super excited to see you. **GREETERS LOVE GIFTS** and will share them back, especially water, other drinks, and snacks!
- You will be directed to **PARK** in the designated parking areas so that you can safely leave your vehicle and join the **FUN** in Greeters! **Parking Greeters** will mark your Vehicle with a Time. You will have a **WINDOW OF 2.5 HOURS TO UNPACK AND GET YOUR CAR TO PARKING**. You must park your car in Parking unless you have a Medical issue requiring easy access to your Vehicle! Please email: [burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com) to make arrangements for ADA compliant parking.

*\*Proceed Sign-In Greeters to sign some waivers. Where appropriate please legibly print your real name, not your burner name. Sign-In Greeters will apply your wristband. These wristbands help us and Recreation Plantation to identify and deal with trespassers.*

Then off to the **Party Greeters** where they **QUIZ YOU ON THE SURVIVAL GUIDE**, to help you set good expectations for yourself and double-check that you have made yourself aware of all the necessities for a great event (water, sunscreen, trash bags, food, etc.). **IF YOU'RE NOT FULLY PREPARED, YOU MAY BE TURNED BACK** to finish gathering enough provisions.

- Once you have been properly Greeted,
- **Party Greeters** will help you navigate your Theme Camp Placement, Art Placement, RV/Trailer/Pop-up Placement, and/or Areas to Camp on the Elsewhere Playa.



- Please **KEEP ALL TICKET INFORMATION UPDATED** at **By emailing [burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com)**. If your best bud or new participant will be using your ticket or your extra ticket but **their name isn't** in the database, **THEN THEY WILL BE SENT BACK TO DEFAULT WORLD!** **TRANSFER DATE FOR TICKETS IS SEPTEMBER 7<sup>ST</sup>!**

## LEAVE NO TRACE

- If you bring it in, **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR TAKING IT OUT**. There is **NO...REPEAT NO** recycling station, but you must haul out your own trash. **PACK IN, PACK OUT!**
- If you are in a theme camp, get together with the others in your camp and make a camp-wide plan for cleaning up.
- For your personal camp area, make sure you **TAKE TIME TO PICK UP MOOP** (matter out of place).
- It's a good idea to bring at least two extra trash bags more than you will need for your camp's trash and recycling.
- Never let it hit the ground. Be an Earth Guardian for your camp and make sure things are kept tidy.
- Organic items such as banana peels, egg shells, etc. are also considered **MOOP** and need to be removed upon departure.
- Please help in cleaning **COMMUNAL AREAS OF LITTER**: the effigy field, roads, Pool, river banks, trails and commons.  
It's not just about your camp, but all about all the spaces you enjoyed. We leave the entire event site as if we were never there.
- **PLEASE DO NOT BRING GLASS ANYTHING...** Otherwise make sure you **MOOP** all of it.

- **NO FEATHERS, GLITTER, Sequins, Etc..** if it falls off your Artistic Clothing than you are required to pick it up and take it home with you.







## VOLUNTEER: IT'S HOW YOU CAN PARTICIPATE!

**There are so many valuable ways to be a participant:**

**create art, perform, be yourself, form or join a Theme Camp. One of the easiest ways to participate is to**

**Volunteer!**

**More information email:**

**[Souptxvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:Souptxvolunteers@gmail.com)**

## SAFETY SERVICES

**ELSEWHERE EMERGENCY TEAM (EETS) and SANCTUARY**

*The Elsewhere Emergency Team (commonly referred to as "PET's") provides **24-HOUR FIRST AID AND EMERGENCY RESPONSE** for Burnt Soup TX. Every 'PET' is a certified or licensed medical professional who is trained to treat injuries and, if necessary, work with the Rangers to evacuate patients with serious injuries or potentially life-threatening medical conditions.*

*Burnt Soup TX can be a challenging environment, not just physically but emotionally, and sometimes people get overwhelmed. Sanctuary is there to help participants get centered and get back into the event.*

*If you need a 'PET', **THEY CAN BE FOUND AT SAFETY HQ**, or contacted via your nearest Ranger or radio-*

*wielding volunteer. Safety HQ is located near the main field (See Elsewhere City Map).*

## ELSEWHERE FIRE DEPARTMENT

*The Elsewhere Fire Department is made up of trained firefighters. In an emergency, the fire team can be reached at Safety HQ or via radio by any radio-wielding volunteer, including any Ranger.*

## RANGERS

*Radical self-reliance and respect means you are responsible for your own actions. Make sure your actions don't interfere with the enjoyment of the event for others. This following basic courtesy, not letting your camp in any manner flow into another's camp by volume (unless welcomed), pass through peeps, or hogging precious land if not assigned to you, and working out disagreements respectfully. Rangers will be wondering around the event. You can reach out to them if you need urgent help, or assistance in resolving a conflict or **EMERGENCY SITUATIONS**. They are not police, **THEY ARE NOT THE MAN. RANGERS ARE PARTICIPANTS WHO VOLUNTEER** to help make our event from outside interference (self-policing), so that we can celebrate 24/7 during the Burn. There will always be a ranger at Safety HQ. **LOOK FOR TAN SHIRTS!***







- **No vending**· **GIFTING IS AWESOME!**
- **No Pets**· ADA certified with vest/equipment, and shot record sent to [burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com) prior to burn is accepted **ALWAYS!**
- **No spectators**· **THIS MEANS YOU CAN'T JUST COME IN TO PEOPLE WATCH US AND THE BURN!** Buy a Ticket!
- **No POINTING LAZER AT PARTICIPANTS!!!!**

## **DON'T BE THAT GUY! IMPORTANT!**

- You voluntarily assume any risk of serious injury or death by attending.
- You must bring enough food, water, shelter and first aid to survive a long summer weekend in rural Texas.
- You may encounter venomous snakes and insects, wild animals, thorns and poison ivy.
- Proper footwear and personal lighting are essential.
- Extreme heat is to be expected and flash flood conditions are possible.
- This is not a consumer event. Leave nothing behind when you leave the site. This is what it means to Leave No Trace.
- Firearms, fireworks, rockets and all other explosives are prohibited.
- Commercial use of photo/video/audio and other media depictions taken at Burnt Soup TX is prohibited without prior written consent of Burnt Soup TX.



# 10 PRINCIPLES!

## **RADICAL SELF-RELIANCE**

Burnt Soup encourages the individual to discover, exercise and rely on his or her inner resources.

## **RADIAL INCLUSION**

Anyone may be a part of Burnt Soup. We welcome and respect the stranger. No prerequisites exist for participation in our community.

## **GIFTING**

Burnt Soup is devoted to acts of gift giving. The value of a gift is unconditional. Gifting does not contemplate a return or an exchange for something of equal value.

## **DECOMMODIFICATION**

In order to preserve the spirit of gifting, our community seeks to create social environments that are unmediated by commercial sponsorships, transactions, or advertising. We stand ready to protect our culture from such exploitation. We resist the substitution of consumption for participatory experience.

## **RADICAL SELF-EXPRESSION**

Radical self-expression arises from the unique gifts of the individual. No one other than the individual or a collaborating group can determine its content. It is offered as a gift to others. In this spirit, the giver should respect the rights and liberties of the recipient.

## **PARTICIPATION**

Our community is committed to a radically participatory ethic. We believe that transformative change, whether in the individual or in society, can occur only through the medium of deeply personal participation. We achieve being through doing. Everyone is invited to work. Everyone is invited to play. We make the world real through actions that open the heart.

## **IMMEDIACY**

Immediate experience is, in many ways, the most important touchstone of value in our culture. We seek to overcome barriers that stand between us and a recognition of our inner selves, the reality of those around us, participation in society, and contact with a natural world exceeding human powers. No idea can substitute for this experience.

## **COMMUNAL EFFORT**

Our community values creative cooperation and collaboration. We strive to produce, promote and protect social networks, public spaces, works of art, and methods of communication that support such interaction.

## **CIVIC RESPONSIBILITY**

We value civil society. Community members who organize events should assume responsibility for public welfare and endeavor to communicate civic

responsibilities to participants. They must also assume responsibility for conducting events in accordance with local, state and federal laws.

**\*\*CONSENT (Part of Civic Responsibility and needs to be Pointed out)**

## **PERSONAL BOUNDARIES**

*Self-expression and cooperation require a social contract to make our event a place for everyone to play.*

**Respect the personal boundaries of others.**

- *Before ASK do not assume someone wants your physical contact. **NO MEANS NO. ONLY YES MEANS YES***

- *After someone has said **no**: cajoling, pleading, or any form of*

**EMOTIONAL BLACKMAIL IS UNACCEPTABLE.**

- *Respecting personal boundaries includes taking pictures or video, as well as physical and verbal interaction.*

**Take responsibility for your own boundaries.**

- **YOU MUST BE ABLE TO SAY NO.**

- *Be sober enough to be in control, or make arrangements with a friend to have a "designated playa escort." **YOU ARE RESPONSIBLE FOR YOUR EXPERIENCE!***

- **IF YOU NEED HELP CONTACT A RANGER OR ANYONE...I MEAN ANYONE IN SAFETY!**

## **LEAVING NO TRACE**

Our community respects the environment. We are committed to leaving no physical trace of our activities wherever we gather. We clean up after ourselves and endeavor, whenever possible, to leave such places in a better state than when we found them.

## **NOTE: PHOTOS/VIDEO/SOCIAL MEDIA**

*The right not to be photographed (or recorded in other ways) always trumps the right to take a photograph in court, as does it here. So does posting on Social Media! **Ask permission.** Taking Photos even if they don't know is an Escort out of the EVENT! Take photos away from people that did not give consent!*



# EFFIGY and Burnable ART!

**SATURDAY NIGHT AT 11pm after the Live Broadcast on the EFFIGY OF THE MAN BURNING (BURNT SOUP)**

**SUNDAY NIGHT AT 9pm We will Burn the EFFIGY.**

**We have not Set in stone Time...AGAIN BURNER 30! Also it depends on Burning Bans and/or Weather if we will Burn anything. We reserve the right to do a Non-Burn for Safety Reasons.**



**Burnable Art Pieces. Email us:**  
[soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com](mailto:soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com)

for placement and to get a scheduled time to burn.

## RECREATIONAL VEHICLES (RVs)

- Hookups are available.

**RV/Trailer/Pop-up/Bus, etc...Travel Vehicle CAMPING...Limited Spaces Available. Please contact Recreation Plantation at the Gate THE DAY YOU GET THERE (can NOT make a reservation) to pay for your spot with or without water and electricity.**

## Pricing:

**8 spots-\$40 for full Electric, Water and Sewer for full event.**

**4 spots-\$35 for Electric and Water only for full event.**

**If your not parking in the designated area for RV's this fee does not apply to you however certain spots**

**on the playa may be restricted due to weight of your vehicle due to weather conditions, ask Greeters upon arrival for the designated spots. All camping spots with or without Travel Trailer/RV, etc... is First come First serve for spots.**

- *If camping in a Theme Camp, please make sure the Theme Camp informs Placement of the number and size of RVs in your camp. No, we will not place Tent Camping in the RV area! RV/Trailer/Pop-up Only!*
- *City Planning may ask you to relocate your beast if it is deemed an obstacle.*
- *No in and outs for RVs.*
- *Must be parked and left stationary during event.*

## PARKING

- **Park in designated areas AWAY FROM CAMPING AREAS.**
- *If you are sleeping in your vehicle and it is parked in your theme camp you must disguise, cover or otherwise get rid of its 'car-ness'. **IF A VEHICLE IS NOT ARTIFIED YOU MUST MOVE IT TO PARKING.***
- *Your car will be marked with your drop-off deadline; after you are Greeted and Checked-in at Zone Greeters.*
- *If you are Disabled and need your vehicle close at hand please email:*  
[burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com)

## DJ/SOUND SYSTEMS

**Must be pre-registered as THEME CAMP!**

*If you are planning on creating or using anything with lots of sound, you must **BE FAMILIAR WITH AND ABIDE BY THE BURNT SOUP TX SOUND POLICY**, which is under 85db and not starting a Sound War with your neighboring Camps.*



If you have any questions about sound policy  
email: [souptxvolunteers@gmail.com](mailto:souptxvolunteers@gmail.com)

If you have any of these issues email:  
[soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com](mailto:soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com)

- If you are **CAMPING** with a sound system, you must pre-register with Theme Camp Registration
- If your **ART PIECE** involves loud sound, you must indicate that in your art registration.
- If your **THEME CAMP** will have amplified music or loud sound, you must pre-register with Placement.
- **MUTANT VEHICLES** making sound must also abide by the Sound Policy and must register as Theme Camp.

Don't want to Bring all your equipment...Email:  
[soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com](mailto:soup.art.events.themecamps@gmail.com)

To Spin/DJ at the Stage!

### THEME CAMPS

**It's First Come, First Serve**  
**No Theme Camp has assigned spots!**

Theme camps are a central part of the Burnt Soup TX experience for a lot of people. Are you organizing one? If so, register it at <http://www.burntsouptx.com/art-theme-camps/> Filling out your form with accurate and complete information will help with getting people excited to come and see you. Please do go to the website and sign up your events your Theme camp is hosting!

• **Lasers ---POINT THEM AWAY FROM PARTICIPANTS!**

### MUTANT VEHICLES



#### YOU MUST BE

**PRE-REGISTERED** with at

<http://www.burntsouptx.com/art-theme-camps/> as a Theme Camp.

An art car is supposed to be **ART!** Please artified your Mutant Vehicle or it will sit lonely in the regular Parking for 4-5 days.

#### To drive your sweet art ride around the city

- Speed limit 5 mph.
- Yield to everyone (Art cars should yield to pedestrians, bikes, carts, little red wagons...).
- Abide by instructions from Rangers and event volunteers/LLC.
- **BE COMPLETELY SOBER.**
- Have gelled headlights if driving at night.
- No mutated buses or vehicles in excess of Car are to be driven around Elsewhere. It is dangerous in our tight event space. **SEVERAL STEEP HILLS and small ROAD!**

### Disabilities and Other Special Considerations

Recreation Plantation and the outdoor nature of our event may be challenging, but we welcome those with all forms of disabilities to participate. The Hills are a bit

Challenge to some! As far as possible, accommodations can be made for the specific needs of those with disabilities or medical conditions. If you have any questions or would like to discuss any special needs you may have, please contact [burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com)





## THE RIVER and POOL

The River runs around the land and Pool is located on the bottom field near the Effigy. This a great place to cool off. Be aware that the River is considered public and is **NOT A PRIVATE SWIMMING HOLE**. While POOL is completely Private for our Use! There is a shower before going up the Steps to use. **PLEASE USE THE SHOWER BEFORE GOING INTO POOL...Nothing like Dirty Hippy Soup...YUCK!**

- Swim at your own risk. There are **NO LIFEGUARDS ON DUTY. DO NOT SWIM ALONE**.
- Be alert to obstacles under the River (tree limbs! rocks!).  
Check first for signage before entering the water.
- Be alert to weather conditions. If there is rain in the area, water can rise rapidly. In case of storms, get out of the water.  
**YES THERE IS HOT INSIDE AND OUTSIDE SHOWERS!**

## WHAT TO BRING



### Necessities

- **THREE GALLONS OF WATER PER PERSON PER DAY** (for drinking, dish and body washing, food preparation, etc.). Keep a bottle of water with you at all times. **CAMEL PAKS ARE AWESOME!**
- Remember to bring all necessary medications with you. Basic first aid will be available, but always good to be prepared too. **MAKE SURE YOU HAVE AN EMERGENCY MEDICAL CARD ON OR WHERE SOMEONE WHO KNOWS YOU KNOWS HOW TO RETRIEVE IT WITH ANY MEDICAL ISSUES ON IT!** Bring an EpiPen if you have severe allergic reactions to such to things.
- Toiletries, Glasses...etc...
- Single-ply toilet paper—the Port-a-Potties can run out.
- Enough food and beverages for you.

- Bedding and shelter of some type (a good camp tent is recommended along w/sleeping bags).
- Garbage bags (more than enough for all of your garbage—it's good to bring extra for MOOP that accumulates during the event).
- **PORTABLE ASHTRAYS** if you smoke ANYTHING (mint tins work well) LNT
- Flashlights—**HEADLAMPS ARE VERY USEFUL**.
- Extra batteries for everything.
- Sunscreen and sunglasses.
- Sturdy closed-toe footwear.
- A **CUP FOR BEVERAGES** (some camps may have drinks to share, but you are expected to supply the container "VESSEL").
- Ice chest, ice for the entire duration of your stay, or cash for ice sales. **\$2.50 a bag!**
- Shade structures, umbrellas, parasols, sheets; things to break the cruel midday sun.
- A cooking stove. Fuel for stoves, generators, mutant vehicles, etc.
- **EARPLUGS** (not everyone will sleep when you do). Spray bottle (for misting).
- Insect bite treatment/medication
- Watertight protective bags (e.g. heavy Ziplocs) for cameras, electronic gear, etc.
- Blinky lights, toys, **MAGICAL FABULOUSNESS** and swell stuff to share; anything you think would make things more fun for you and your fellow Burners...**IE GIFTING!**
- Handi-wipes. Do not Flush them!
- Rope, string, duct tape, zip ties.
- Abundant amounts of whatever makes your life better: **BEER, BACON, CHOCOLATE, COFFEE, Etc..**
- Clothing for a range of weather conditions. And costumes.





## SAFETY!

There are plenty of nasty critters all over Texas. This is not a definitive guide. Keep an eye out and try to avoid these creatures.

### **FIRE ANT**

Ants don't like cinnamon; put around your tent and any hills you see near your area. Make sure you put food in closed tight containers...IE NOT ZIPLOCKS only!

**MOSQUITOES** there are several Electronic and Propane ran Mosquitoes devices to wear as well to set near you camp for larger areas. There is Sprays with no DET as well no smell. There is Bullfrog which combines with Sun screen. Invest in some...or get Bit! Remember sweat and getting wet can deactivate any sprays or lotion, remember to carry it with you to reapply when needed.

**SCORPION** stings can be painful, but they can be avoided. Scorpions like to hide under things (like tents) and in things (like shoes). If you are stung by a scorpion, wash the area with soap and water. Use ice to dull the pain. If you experience unusual symptoms (shortness of breath, dizziness, vomiting), contact the Elsewhere Emergency Team ('PET's) immediately.

**SNAKES** are not harmful, go with the plan of mutual avoidance for safety. If you hear a rattle, stop and move slowly away from the sound. The **RIVER MAY CONTAIN WATER MOCCASINS**.

**TICKS** can carry diseases you do not want. Avoid them by using insect repellent, and wear long pants and a long-sleeved shirt while in Tall Grass. If you don't know how to remove a tick, ask the 'PET's for assistance.

**Poison Ivy** Look for asymmetric lush green leaves of 3, 5 or 7, red stems. If you think you have been exposed:

- Cleanse exposed areas with rubbing alcohol.
- Rinse with water first—no soap yet! I will only make the reaction worse. Now wash with soap and warm water.
- Put gloves on and wipe everything you had with you, including shoes, tools, and your clothes, with rubbing alcohol and water.
- Pack Ivy-block, Zanfel, Ivy Cleanse Towelettes and/or Tecnu Extreme Poison Ivy Scrub just in case.
- Having Problems still please contact Elsewhere Emergency Medical 'PET'
- For more information visit [poisonivy.us](http://poisonivy.us)

### **HYDRATION**

Dehydration is a very serious risk due to Texas summer heat. **DRINK WATER**, lots of it. Alcohol dehydrates you; it is not water. Water is not sold at the event (except in the form of ice), so bring all the water you will need. We strongly recommend a **MINIMUM OF 2 GALLONS PER DAY**.

Signs of dehydration:

- Feeling uncharacteristically cranky.
- Rapid or sudden weight loss.
- Increasing thirst.
- Dry mouth.
- Weakness or lightheadedness (particularly if worsening on standing).
- Darkening of the urine or a decrease
- Nauseousness



**Location and Directions:**

**Recreation Plantation.**

**3550 Pursley Road, Dripping Springs, Texas**

**Closest Gas and Grocery Store:**

H-E-B, 598 Highway 290, Dripping Springs, TX  
78620...9.9 miles away NW.

Highway 290 General Store, 1301 Highway 290,  
Dripping Springs, TX 78620....8.6 miles away NW.

**GET YOUR STAPLES, FOOD, SUPPLIES IN KYLE,  
AUSTIN, or DRIPPING SPRINGS!**



**PURCHASING YOUR TICKET: YOU AGREE TO  
ABIDE BY ALL RULES IN THIS SURVIVAL  
GUIDE.**

To learn more about *Burnt Soup TX 2015* and how  
you can get involved, visit [www.BurntSoupTX.com](http://www.BurntSoupTX.com)  
or email [burntsouptx@gmail.com](mailto:burntsouptx@gmail.com)