



Gingerbread House Contest

Sunday December 7th, 2014

The Gingerbread House Contest is just one activity of the **Holly Jolly Holiday Fest** the afternoon of Sunday, December 7th coordinated by the Admiral Neighborhood Association. The festivities will also include a visit from Santa Claus, a craft bazaar, live music, and a charity food drive. Please join us!

General Rules for Entry

The following rules are set forth by the Admiral Neighborhood Association (ANA) for a baking competition open to amateur bakers. This competition is not intended for professional bakers, chefs, or individuals who have received or are undergoing formal culinary training.

The competition is open to all Seattle residents, however participants are limited to one single entry. The Admiral Neighborhood Association reserves the right to refuse any entry deemed inappropriate. By submitting an entry to the competition, participants are granting permission to use their name and a photograph of their entry for promotional purposes by the ANA.

Entries should be delivered to The Sanctuary at Admiral (2656 42nd Ave SW) beginning at 10:30 am. On-site construction, decoration or assembling (other than minor repairs) will not be permitted. All accepted entries must be set up and ready for judging by 11:00 am with a completed entry form. There will be two divisions for judging: Youth (under age 16) and Adult (age 16 or older).

Design and Construction

All entries must be secured to a stiff base of plywood, plastic or a similar rigid material to support the design and allow it to be fully transportable. The Admiral Neighborhood Association, The Sanctuary, the judges, nor the event partners are not responsible for damages that may occur to the entries.

The finished design may be no taller than 18 inches at its highest point. The supporting base can be no larger than 18 inches by 18 inches. The overall resulting design must not exceed 18" x 18" x 18".

Except for the base, all entries must be constructed entirely of edible food products, including but not limited to: gingerbread, graham crackers, candy, breakfast cereal, crackers, royal icing, fondant, spun or cast sugar. All candies or food items must be unwrapped and free of any inedible materials. The base itself (and only the base) may be painted or covered in paper or fabric.

The use of electric lighting or moving components, and non-edible materials in the gingerbread house design (even for structural support) is prohibited. Prohibited materials include, but are not limited to: paint, paper, plastic, glue, epoxy, glitter, etc. In particular purchased items intended for dollhouses, model railroads, and miniature dioramas are also prohibited.

Judging

All entries will first be evaluated to ensure they are eligible based upon: on time arrival with a completed entry form, constructed only from food products, meets size restrictions, and the design is secured to a rigid base. Entries not meeting these criteria may be displayed but will be ineligible for the competition.

Eligible entries will then be reviewed by a three person judging panel, comprised of staff from Metropolitan Market, BAKED custom cakes, and PCC Natural Markets, who will score each entry based on the following criteria:

overall appearance
originality and creativity
precision

Decisions by the ANA and the judging panel will be final.

Prizes

Winner in the Youth division - \$50 gift certificate courtesy of BAKED custom cakes

Winner in the Adult division - \$50 gift card courtesy of PCC Natural Markets

Winners in both of the divisions will have their entries displayed for one week following the competition in the storefront window of BAKED custom cakes.

Entry Form

Name: _____ Division: ___ Youth (under 16) ___ Adult (16 & up)

Mailing Address: _____

Phone Number: _____ Email: _____

Gingerbread House Title: _____

The Admiral Neighborhood reserves the right to photograph and use photographs of all entries and participants for advertising and promotional purposes. Competition entry constitutes participant's consent to use their name and image for publicity purposes. The Admiral Neighborhood Association is not responsible for any loss or damage. By signing this entry form, I understand and agree to all of the rules of this competition.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Guardian required if under 18:



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