

The 2019 Gingerbread House Competition at the Fountain Inn Museum

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Competition Entries:

Entries will be in two divisions: **adult** – individuals or teams 18 years or older, and **student** – individuals or teams 17 or younger. In the case of a team or group entry, the age of the oldest member will determine the category.

Structures must be on a board base; plywood is recommended. The total size of each entry including the base may be no more than 24" x 24" x 24".

With the exception of the base, every material used on an entry must be completely edible. No non-edible material such as lollipop sticks or candy wrappers may be on an entry. No lighting or artificial display devices may be used. At least 75 % of the main structure must be made of gingerbread, and gingerbread should be visible on each entry. Decorative enhancements that are handmade will be preferable to purchased items.

Entries are not limited to the structure of a house. Competitors may or may not choose a theme, but should refrain from making political statements or dealing with controversial topics.

All entries will be judged on four criteria: 1)Overall Appearance,2) Originality and Creativity, 3)Difficulty and 4)Precision.

Judges will award one grand prize of \$500. Entries will be judged by a non-local panel, and the award will be announced at the lighting of the Christmas tree on December 5. In addition to the grand prize, visitors to the Museum may cast \$1 votes for their favorite houses. Voting will continue throughout the display season (December 5 – December 22), and People's Choice Awards for adult and student divisions will be announced on the 22nd. (All proceeds from the voting will be contributed to the Museum, a non-profit 501-3c institution.)

Houses will be on display at the Museum through the carriage ride season until December 22, at which time they may be retrieved to decorate Christmas tables.

Calendar:

Saturday, Nov. 9, 10-11:30 – Gingerbread House Workshop at the Fountain Inn Museum

Tues. evening, Dec. 3, 6:00-8:00, and Wed. morning, Dec. 4, 10:00-12:00 – Entries accepted at the Museum

Thursday, Dec. 5, Christmas Tree Lighting, Gingerbread House winners announced

Thursday, Dec. 5 – Sun., Dec. 22 – Houses on display at the Museum

Sunday evening, Dec. 22 – Houses may be picked up

**Fountain Inn Museum Gingerbread House Competition 2019
Entry Form**

Name _____
Street _____
City _____ Zip _____
Phone _____ Email _____

Check one:
Individual Entry _____
Group Entry _____; Number in Group _____

Check one:
Adult Division _____
Student Division _____; Age _____

I understand that my entry is to be at the Fountain Inn Museum by 12 noon on Wednesday, December 4, and that it is to remain on display until December 22.

I hereby grant permission to the Fountain Inn Museum to print or otherwise duplicate the picture or likeness of my entry and/or myself with my entry for print or online publications.

I understand that the Fountain Inn Museum does not guarantee the safety or security of my entry and cannot be held responsible for any damages incurred to my entry while it is on display.

I agree to hold harmless, release, defend, and indemnify the Fountain Inn Museum for any and all liability and/or claims arising from injury to persons or damage to property arising from injury to persons or damage to property arising from the incident, any released party's alleged or actual negligence or gross negligence, breach of any express or implied warranty, breach of contract, or breach of any statutory or other duty of care, or mistakes or errors in judgment of any kind. By signing this, I agree that I am releasing any right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against the Fountain Inn Museum, its respective agents, employees, representatives, officers, directors or members.

Signed: _____

Date: _____

