



HOLIDAY GINGERBREAD HOUSE DECORATING COMPETITION

CONTEST DATE: DECEMBER 15th AT 6PM

Back by popular demand, the Fairgrounds Festival of Lights will be hosting an On-The-Spot Gingerbread House Decorating Competition. On-The-Spot competitions are live on-site competitions. There are 3 divisions including Junior (5-17), Non-Professional and Professional. Competitors will have 1 hour to decorate their house using the supplies provided. Houses will be pre-constructed and provided to competitors. Upon conclusion of the hour, items will be judged. All houses decorated will become property of the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Fairgrounds Festival of Lights.

Entry Fee: \$0 Entry Fee. Please be advised that you will have to purchase a carload admission for December 15th.

Contest: Exhibitors will compete on Sunday, December 15th at 6 PM in the Winter Wonderland Workshop (NY State Police Building).

Judging: Upon the conclusion of the 1 hour of creation time, gingerbread houses will be judged.

Prize Checks: Prize checks will be mailed following the completion of the Festival of Lights.

Instructions:

1. Exhibitors will need to be admitted into the walk-around experience before 5:45 PM to be eligible to compete.
2. There is an entry form on our website. Please ensure that it is filled out. Exhibitors competing will be emailed prior to the competition with further instructions.
3. Ages 5 & up are allowed to participate. Juniors are defined at 5-17. Non-Professional is defined as 18+ who do not actively sell items to the public. Professional is defined as someone who sells and makes items for a profit.
4. The gingerbread house will be provided and pre-constructed by the Fairgrounds Festival of Lights. No outside material can be brought in. The house will be a real item.
5. All houses decorated will become property of the Erie County Agricultural Society, producers of the Fairgrounds Festival of Lights.

Judge Criteria: Creativity 70%, Usage of Items Provided 15%, General Appeal 15%

Juniors Ages 5-17

Prize Money for Class #1 Blue - \$15, Red - \$10, Yellow - \$5

1. Junior Gingerbread House Decorating (Only 5 Entries Per Class)

Non-Professional 18+

Prize Money for Class #2 Blue - \$20, Red - \$15, Yellow - \$10

2. Non-Professional Gingerbread House Decorating (Only 5 Entries Per Class)

Professional 18+

Prize Money for Class #3 Blue - \$30, Red - \$20, Yellow - \$15

3. Professional Gingerbread House Decorating (Only 5 Entries Per Class)

Questions? Call or email the Competitive Exhibits office @ 716-649-3900 ext. 6407 or ceoffice@ecfair.org