

Greenwood Inn Ginger 2017



Entry Form Deadline Friday, November 3 2017 by 5pm

Public Gingerbread Display: Sunday November 26, 2017 – Sunday December 10, 2017

OFFICIAL RULES AND PROCEDURES The following rules and procedures have been set forth and established by The Inn on the Square for the purpose of the 2017 Gingerbread House Competition. Please read the rules and procedures carefully and retain these sheets for your records. Due to space, only a limited number of entries will be accepted into the competition. You are encouraged to submit your entry form early and before the deadline to ensure entry into the competition. The Inn on the Square reserves the right to refuse any entry deemed inappropriate. For additional questions, please contact the hotel at info@innonthesquare.net

INDIVIDUAL ENTERING AND QUALIFYING GUIDELINES To be eligible for the competition, a completed and signed copy of Competitor Entry Form A must be received by email, drop off or direct mail no later than 5pm on Friday, November 3, 2017. The Competitor Entry Form A must be signed by the individual entering the competition. If the individual is under the age of 18 by the date of the competition, a signature from a parent or legal guardian is required in addition to the minor's signature and date of birth. Entries that are not pre-registered will not be accepted. Competitors will receive a confirmation email containing their entry number upon receipt of completed Competitor Entry Form A. Each participant may only submit one entry.

TEAM ENTERING AND QUALIFYING GUIDELINES To be eligible for the competition, a completed and signed copy of Competitor Entry Form A and Team Entry Participant Form C must be received by email, direct mail or fax no later than 5pm on Friday, November 3, 2017. Please submit one complete copy of Competitor Entry Form A per team including only the team captain's contact information. In the case of school groups entering the competition, the classroom teacher should be listed as the team captain and provide his/ her contact information. Please submit a list of all team participants using Team Entry Participant Form C. A signature from a parent or legal guardian will be required for each team member under 18 years of age. In the event a team entry wins a prize, the team captain will be the recipient of any prizes. Distribution of ribbon or splitting of any prize will be left to the team captain to determine. We are not able to supply ribbons for each participant. If individuals working on a team entry are of different ages that would place them in different categories independently, the team must enter in the appropriate category for the oldest individual in the group. Individuals 18 years of age but still enrolled in high school may compete in the Teen Category as a member of a team entry. Entry Description Form B and optional photos are due no later than check-in on entry registration day.

CANCELLATION POLICY: We understand that situations may cause competitors to withdraw from the competition. In the event you are no longer able to compete, please inform the hotel by phone 864-330-1010 or email info@innonthesquare.net

ENTRY CATEGORIES The following categories are open for entry

- Adult Category - Individuals 18 years of age and older entering as a single entrant or team.
- Teen Category - Individuals between 13 and 17 years of age entering as a single entrant or team.
- Youth Category - Individuals between 9 and 12 years of age entering as a single entrant or team.
- Child Category - Individuals between 5 and 8 years of age entering as a single entrant or team.

DESIGN Entries are not limited to the structure of a house. Competitors are welcome and encouraged to uniquely design their entry for the 2017 competition, as long as the entry is in keeping with the competition rules and procedures and the five judging criteria.

JUDGING AND CRITERIA Judging will be held on Sunday December 10, 2017 with an Awards Ceremony held at approximately 5:30pm. Entries will be judged on 1) Overall Appearance, 2) Originality & Creativity, 3) Difficulty, 4) Precision and 5) Consistency of Theme. Theme should be competitor's own and consistent throughout the entry. There is no overall theme for the competition. Adult category only: Decorative elements that are handmade will carry more weight than similar prefabricated items. All rulings by the judges are independent and final. They are in no way influenced by The Inn on the Square staff or affiliates. In the event of a tie, the competition Call Judge will be asked to break the tie.

SIZE LIMITATIONS Entry must be placed on a board base. Entries combined with a base must not be larger than 24 inches high, 24 inches wide, and 24 inches long. We suggest using 1/2" or 3/4" plywood as a base for your entry. Use of pegs or risers on the bottom of the base is preferred but not required. If you wish to install "legs" on the underside of your base, the legs are considered as part of the base and should not cause the entry's height to exceed 24 inches.

MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION Everything above the base of your entry must be constructed and composed completely of edible materials. The main structure of your entry must be constructed of at least 75% gingerbread, some of which should be exposed. Edible materials are not limited to candies and icings. Use of gum paste, fondant, pastillage, chocolate, modeling chocolate, royal icing, isomalt, cast sugar, gelatin and pressed sugar is encouraged. Use of "Disco Dust", "Rainbow Dust" or hologram powder is permitted. Due to the danger of working with hot sugar, techniques using poured hot sugar or isomalt are reserved for the teen and adult categories only. Any entry with non-edible components will be automatically disqualified. No artificial display materials, such as Styrofoam or interior lighting, are to be used in the construction or decoration of the entry. Candies must be unwrapped and free of any non-edible materials, for example: lollipop sticks. Non-edible materials such as paint and/or ribbon are approved (and encouraged) only to decorate the outer edge of your plywood base only (not to exceed the length and/or width of the base). All entries must be solely constructed by the individual entering the competition. Teen, Youth and Child competitors may be supervised, for safety precautions, by a parent, legal guardian, or classroom teacher. Acceptable Supervision Example: When Teen, Youth, or Child competitors require assistance with operating the oven and/or stovetop.

IDENTIFICATION AND DESCRIPTION Identification requirements have changed significantly from prior years, please read carefully. Each entry's base must be clearly labeled with their assigned entry number, visible from a fully seated position, for hotel reference. If you do not arrive with your entry number clearly showing, you will be required to add it at check-in. Examples of successful labeling: small decorative plaques, sign posts, banners, preferably located on the base. Please submit a copy of Entry Description Form B, due no later than check-in on entry registration day. You are permitted and encouraged to submit up to three photos of your process, but this is not required. You may submit photos prior to or at check-in.

GINGERBREAD DISPLAY Entries will be on public display at the Inn on the Square during the hotel's holiday season, beginning Sunday, November 26, 2017, and ending Sunday December 10. With entry, permission is granted to The Inn on the Square to transport the entry for publicity purposes while understanding that at no time does The Inn on the Square guarantee the safety or security of the entry and cannot be held responsible for any damages incurred by the entry on or off the resort's property. The Special Events Department takes extra precautions to help ensure the safe transportation of entries traveling for publicity purposes

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COMPETITOR ENTRY FORM A REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRIES | DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 3, 2017 please complete clearly and in print as Entrant / Team Captain:

Entry Category (circle one): Adult (18 and older) Teen (13-17) Youth (9-12) Child (5-8)

Name of Gingerbread Entry:

Team Name (if applicable):

First: _____ Middle: ____ Last: _____

Street Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip Code: _____

Phone: _____ Email Address _____

I understand that to be eligible for the competition; I must agree to the following as indicated by my signature below:

1. I must return my entry form by Email, fax, or mail no later than 5pm on Friday, November 3, 2017.
3. My entry will remain on display through December 10, 2017
4. I must pick up my entry Sunday December 10 by 6pm.

Signature of Entrant / Team Captain: _____

Date: _____ Entrant date of birth (required if under 18): _____

Age: _____ I affirm that the entrant listed above will independently design, construct and decorate the entry to be submitted.

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

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THE 2017 NATIONAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION™

ENTRY DESCRIPTION FORM B REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRIES

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 3, 2017 Entry Number: _____

Name of Gingerbread Entry:

Please do not include your name in the title of your gingerbread entry or anywhere within your typed description; doing so compromises the judging process and may disqualify you from the competition. Description of your Entry: Explain the backstory and/or theme and materials used in the construction process. OPTIONAL: Up to three photos of your process may be included but are not required. If included, please attach photos in a sealed and labeled envelope.

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TEAM ENTRY PARTICPATION FORM C

REQUIRED FOR ALL TEAM ENTRIES

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 3, 2017

Printed Name of Entrant _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____

Signature of Entrant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

I affirm that the entrant listed above is _____ years of age and will independently design, construct and decorate the entry to be submitted.

Printed Name of Entrant _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____

Signature of Entrant: _____ Date: _____

Signature of Parent or Guardian: _____ Date: _____

I affirm that the entrant listed above is _____ years of age and will independently design, construct and decorate the entry to be submitted.

Printed Name of Entrant _____ Birth Date: ____/____/____

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