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# GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST GUIDELINES

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## DISPLAY REQUIREMENTS:

1. Each house will have a display area that measures 30"x30". You may construct the house on a piece of plywood or other transportable surface. If you would like to construct a display for exposition only, you may go over the allotted space, but please contact [cosmith@missionhills.org](mailto:cosmith@missionhills.org) so that we have a space for you.
2. Anything that is visible must be edible. You can use other materials (Styrofoam, hot glue, etc) to add support underneath the gingerbread, but it must not be visible.
3. Your display may be either homemade or from a kit.
4. You may use electricity but you need to indicate this on the registration form
5. Deadline to register a house is Dec. 1

## PRIZES:

- Best of Show - \$100 Amazon gift card
- Division Awards- given to winners in each division
  - 1st Prize - \$50
  - 2nd Prize - \$30
  - 3rd Prize - \$15

## DISPLAY SETUP:

You may drop off and set up your display on Thursday from 2:00 - 7:00 PM. We would like to leave the displays up for our weekend services, so are asking that you pick up gingerbread house displays on Sunday from 12:30 - 1:30 PM. Please plan on doing only repairs on your display at the church during the setup time. Construction and decorating is best done at home when you are not rushed.

## CONTEST DIVISIONS:

- \_\_\_ Kids (elementary/ages 5-12)
- \_\_\_ Teen (13-17)
- \_\_\_ Adult (18 and over)
- \_\_\_ Family (adult and children, this division allows toddlers and preschoolers to participate)
- \_\_\_ Food Service Professional (any pastry chefs, cake decorators, etc)

## JUDGING CRITERIA:

- Overall Appearance
- Detail of Decoration (Precision, Neatness, Skill of Execution)
- Creativity (use of different edible materials, design, originality)
- Difficulty