

Key Dates for 2019

9th Annual Gingerbread Enchantment

Sid Cutter Pavilion at Balloon Fiesta Park — 4900 Balloon Fiesta Pkwy NE

Southern Entrance: I-25 Exit 233 Alameda Rd, west to Balloon Museum Drive

Deadline for Registration and Entry Fee:

Saturday, December 14th

Enter at www.GingerbreadEnchantment.com

Delivery of Entries:

Tuesday, December 17th

10:00am–6:30pm

*No entries will be accepted after 6:30pm

WE'VE MADE SOME
CHANGES TO OUR
SCHEDULE

Electronic Action:

Friday, December 20th – Saturday, December 21st

Public Viewing:

Friday, December 20th

Saturday, December 21st

9:00am–3:00pm — \$5 entry fee per person

VIP & Awards Evening:

Saturday, December 21st — 5:30pm–7:30pm

By Invitation Only

Family Night:

Saturday, December 21st — 6:30pm–8:30pm

Limited Tickets – Purchase online at

www.GingerbreadEnchantment.com

Auction closes at 8:00pm — \$10 entry fee per person, 2 & under free

Gingerbread House Pick Up:

Sunday, December 22nd

9:00am–12:00 noon

Auction winners can pick up houses if they did not take them at Family Night.

Gingerbread Enchantment 2019

Official Rules

Rules and Procedures

The following rules and procedures have been set forth and established by Gingerbread Enchantment and Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque. For additional information, please go to our website www.GingerbreadEnchantment.com or call Meals on Wheels at (505) 823-8061 or (505) 823-8063.

The Gingerbread Enchantment contest is open to the general public. There is a \$25 entry fee for the contest. **Registration and entry fees are due by SATURDAY, DECEMBER 14th, 2019**

Contestants will receive two (2) free tickets for family and friends to the Family Night on Saturday, December 21st. Additional tickets can be purchased at www.GingerbreadEnchantment.com for \$10 each. Children 2 and under are free.

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Annual Theme – The North Pole

Annual Theme Award – Create your gingerbread entry to match the annual theme; the best representation of the annual theme will win this special award.

Participants are not limited to a single entry. Enter as an individual or team. One (1) entry per entry form – please.

CONTEST CATEGORY & PRIZES

At the Event Chair’s discretion, category of entry may be changed if purchased kit was deemed used and not registered in proper category.

Professional	Cake Decorators, Bakery Owners, Pastry Chefs	1 st Place: \$1,000	2 nd & 3 rd Place: Gift Card
Adult	Age 16 years and up	1 st Place: \$500	2 nd & 3 rd Place: Gift Card
Youth/Teen	Age 15 years and younger	1 st Place: \$200	2 nd & 3 rd Place: Gift Card
Pre-Baked Kit – Adult	Age 19 years and up	1 st Place: \$75	2 nd & 3 rd Place: Gift Card
Pre-Baked Kit – Youth	Age 18 years and younger	1 st Place: \$50	2 nd & 3 rd Place: Gift Card

Prizes for: Best Use of Candy, Best Use of Gingerbread, People’s Choice, and Annual Theme.

Three ways you can register:

By Website:

www.gingerbreadenchantment.com
to register and submit your entry fee
via credit card or debit card

By Mail:

Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque
PO Box 92614, Albuquerque, NM 87199

Make check payable to Meals on Wheels of
Albuquerque.

In-Person:

Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque
Northside Presbyterian Lower Level
5901 Harper NE

Make check payable to Meals on Wheels of
Albuquerque.

All participants agree that a photo or likeness of their entry may be used for promotion, publicity, or advertising without compensation.

Gingerbread Enchantment, Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque, Sid Cutter Pavilion at Balloon Fiesta Park and its sponsors are not responsible for theft, damage, acts of nature or destruction of entries, and we reserve the right to refuse any entry that is deemed inappropriate for display at the event.

TITLE OF GINGERBREAD ENTRY:

Each Gingerbread entry must be given a title. Title should reflect the theme or story of the design. Do not use participants name or company names.

DESIGN:

Construct a gingerbread structure of your choice. Entries are not limited to a house. Competitors are welcome and encouraged to create a unique design of their choice, as long as the entry is in keeping with the competition Rules and Procedures and the four (4) judging criteria listed below. Gingerbread Enchantment and Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque reserve the right to refuse any entry deemed inappropriate.

SIZE LIMITS AND BASE:

Gingerbread base may be any shape, **but cannot exceed 24 inches by 24 inches & 24 inches high**. Gingerbread structure must be attached to the base. Entry must be placed on a non-returnable base. We suggest using 1/2" or 3/4" plywood for larger / heavier entries or 3/4" form board for smaller / lighter entries.

MATERIALS AND CONSTRUCTION:

Except for the base, **entries must be constructed and composed completely of edible materials**. The main structure should be constructed of at least **75% gingerbread**, some of which should be exposed. Edible materials are not limited to candies and icings. The use of gum paste, fondant, pastillage, chocolate, modeling chocolate, royal icing, cast sugar, gelatin, and pressed sugar is permitted.

25 points will be deducted from score for any entry with non-edible components or over the size limits. 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. Non-edible materials such as paint and/or ribbon are permitted to decorate the outer edge of your base only. (Acceptable supervision is recommended when operating the oven and/or stovetop.)

On-site construction, decorating, or assembly (other than minor repairs) is not permitted.

AUCTION:

An auction of the Gingerbread Enchantment entries is to raise money for Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque's LIFE Program. If you do not want your entry to be in the auction, please indicate on the entry form. All unclaimed entries must be picked up after Family Night or on Sunday, December 22nd from 9:00am to noon. Any remaining houses will be discarded.

You may also build a gingerbread house for the auction only and not participate in the contest. If so, please contact the Meals on Wheels office or Event Chair.

JUDGING PROCESS and CRITERIA:

Entries will be assigned a number thus making the judging "blind." Names will be revealed at Friday's Jingle & Mingle event. All rulings by the judges are independent and final.

Entries will be judged based on four criteria – 10pts each:

- Overall Appearance
- Originality & Creativity
- Level of Difficulty
- Precision

Gingerbread Enchantment 2019 Official Entry Form

_____ Professional

_____ Adult (16 and over)

_____ Youth/Teen (15 and under)

_____ Pre-Baked Kit – Adult (16 and over)

_____ Pre-Baked Kit – Youth (15 and under)

Please print the following information.

_____ **Title of Gingerbread Entry (required):**

_____ **Participant Name:**

_____ **Email Address:**

_____ **Mailing Address**

_____ **City**

_____ **State**

_____ **Zip**

_____ **Phone:**

_____ **Parent/Guardian Name: (if Baker is under 15)**

_____ **Parent/Guardian Email Address:**

I agree to the following as indicated by my signature below:

Permission is hereby granted to Gingerbread Enchantment, Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque, and Sid Cutter Pavilion at Balloon Fiesta Park to print or otherwise duplicate the picture or likeness of my entry and/or myself with my entry for either internal or external release, this includes print and online publications, plus local and network television. I understand that the image of my entry becomes the property of Gingerbread Enchantment and Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque. By participating, each competitor agrees to be bound by all of the Rules and Procedures herein, which may be amended from time to time. Gingerbread Enchantment and Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque reserves the right to refuse entries that are deemed inappropriate, and to disqualify any competitor who fails to follow the Rules and Procedures contained herein. I agree to HOLD HARMLESS, RELEASE, DEFEND, AND INDEMNIFY, Gingerbread Enchantment, Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque and Sid Cutter Pavilion at Balloon Fiesta Park, each of their current or former predecessors, successors, each of their affiliated organizations and companies, their insurance companies, their respective agents, employees, representatives, assignees, officers, directors, members, partners, medical providers and shareholders (each a "RELEASED PARTY") for ANY AND ALL LIABILITY and/or claims 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 release, I agree that I am releasing any right to make a claim or file a lawsuit against Gingerbread Enchantment, Meals on Wheels of Albuquerque, and Sid Cutter Pavilion at Balloon Fiesta Park. THE RELEASOR AGREES TO DEFEND AND INDEMNIFY each RELEASED PARTY for any and all my claims and/or those of a third party arising from the incident.

_____ Check here if you DO NOT want your entry to be included in the Silent Auction.

Registration due by Saturday, December 14th, 2019