

# 2020 Verde Valley Gingerbread House Competition

## 2020 RULES AND ENTRY FORMS

<b>Entry Registration:</b>	Begins November 1, 2020
<b>Entry Forms Deadline:</b>	November 19, 2020
<b>Entry Dropoff:</b>	December 15, 2020
<b>Judging:</b>	December 18, 2020
<b>Public Judging:</b>	December 18, 2020 – 1:00 - 4:00pm
<b>2020 Award Ceremony:</b>	December 19, 2020 – 1:00pm
<b>Gingerbread Display:</b>	December 19, 2020– January 8, 2021
<b>Gingerbread Pick-up:</b>	January 9, 2021 – 9:00am – 5:00pm

### RULES AND PROCEDURES

The following rules and procedures have been set forth and established by Gigi Rock Productions, LLC (henceforth referred to as GRP) for the purpose of the 2020 Verde Valley 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. GRP reserves the right to refuse any entry deemed inappropriate. For additional questions, please contact Gigi Rock, [grock@grockproductions.com](mailto:grock@grockproductions.com)

### INDIVIDUAL ENTERING & QUALIFYING GUIDELINES

To be eligible for the competition, a completed and signed copy of Competitor Entry Form A must be received by email to 5pm on November 10, 2020. 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. Entry Description Form B and optional photos are due no later than check-in on entry registration day.

### TEAM ENTERING & 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, prior to 5pm on November 10, 2020. 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. Entry Description Form B and photos are due no later than check-in on entry registration day.

### CANCELLATION POLICY

GRP understands that situations may cause competitors to withdraw from the competition. In the event you are no longer able to compete, please inform GRP by phone 928-284-8657, or email [grock@grockproductions.com](mailto:grock@grockproductions.com). There are no refunds.

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## ENTRY CATEGORIES & FEE

The following categories are open for entry into the 2020 Verde Valley Gingerbread House Competition

- Business/Professionals (includes bakers, caterers, restaurant employees, engineers, artists, super-experienced gingerbread house builders) single entrant or team
  - entry fee \$75.00
- Adult Category - Individuals 18 years of age and older entering as a single entrant or team
  - entry fee \$20.00
- Teen Category - Individuals between 13 and 17 years of age entering as a single entrant or team
  - entry fee \$15.00
- Youth Category - Individuals up to 12 years of age entering as a single entrant or team
  - entry fee \$5.00

## DESIGN

Although GRP's holiday competition is titled "The Verde Valley Gingerbread House Competition"; entries are not limited to the structure of a house. Competitors are welcome and encouraged to uniquely design their entry for the 2020 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 December 18, 2020 with an Awards Ceremony held on December 19, 2020 at 1:00 pm

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 required 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 GRP staff or affiliates. In the event of a tie, the competition Call Judge will be asked to break the tie.

## SIZE LIMITATIONS

There is no size limitations

## MATERIALS & 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.

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 & DESCRIPTION

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Each entry's base must be clearly labeled with their GRP assigned entry number, visible from a fully seated position, on the front of the base for judging reference. If you do not arrive with your entry number clearly showing, you will be required to add it at check-in.

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.

### REGISTRATION VENUE

Registration is at the Sedona United Methodist Church, in the Village of Oak Creek. 110 Indian Cliffs Road, Sedona AZ 86336

### ENTRY DROP-OFF / REGISTRATION

Please plan for the entire registration process to take 2 hours. It is mandatory to stay with your entry until final placement.

**December 15, 2020**  
9:00am--6:00pm All Divisions

### ENTRY REGISTRATION PROCESS

1. **UNLOAD** your entry at The Collective Sedona, vehicles will be allowed in the parking area for unloading entries. You must promptly move your vehicle to an approved parking area once you have unloaded your entry. If you have a small hand cart, you are encouraged to bring it to minimize wait time, hand carts are not provided. Prior to judging, contestant entries are not to be handled by any member of GRP, Sedona Arts Academy and Emerson Theater Collaborative.
2. **CHECK-IN** desk is located at the Sedona Arts Academy at The Collective Sedona.
3. **PHOTOGRAPHY STATION** is located inside the Sedona Arts Academy (SAA). You and your entry will be photographed for media purposes; mandatory for all competition entries.
4. **ENTRY PLACEMENT** in SAA is predetermined by entry number. We ask that all competitors exit SAA promptly after placing their entry. You are not permitted to view the other entries at this time in order to keep the registration process moving.

### JUDGING AND PRIZES

Criteria for prizes: Originality and Creativity, Overall Appearance and Appeal, Effective use of materials, Neatness and Use of Detail.

- Youth - First Prize \$50, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive a ribbon.
- Adults - First Prize \$150.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive a ribbon
- Business/Professional - First Prize \$200.00, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place will receive a ribbon
- People's Choice Award - All entries are eligible. Winner is the one with the most votes! Basket of prizes.
- Judging will be "blind" as entries will be identified only by number until after judging is complete.
- Winners announced and awards presented at the Sedona Arts Academy on December 19, 2020, at 1:00pm.

### 2020 GINGERBREAD DISPLAY

Entries will be on display at the Sedona Arts Academy, or third-party venue deemed appropriate by GRP, during the holiday season, beginning December 18, 2020 – January 8, 2021. Permission is granted to GRP to transport the entry for publicity purposes while understanding that at no time does GRP guarantee the safety or security of the entry and cannot be held responsible for any damages incurred by the entry on or off the property. GRP takes extra precautions to help ensure the safe transportation of entries traveling for publicity purposes. Please be aware the Grand Prize entry along with other winning entries may be removed from the Verde Valley Gingerbread House Display during the holiday season for publicity purposes.

### DISPLAY VIEWING DAYS

## **2020 Verde Valley Gingerbread House Competition**

Public viewing days: Monday through Friday - 9am – 3pm

### **VEHICLE PARKING**

Standard vehicle parking – Subject to availability and is not guaranteed.

Vehicles larger than a standard parking space – Advanced notice to GRP is required.

### **ENTRY PICK-UP**

Competitors that would like to keep their gingerbread entry after the competition display has ended must pick up the entry between the hours of 9am and 5pm on January 8, 2021. Entries not picked up will be discarded beginning the morning of January 9, 2021.

VERDE VALLEY GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION

COMPETITOR ENTRY FORM A

REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRIES

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 19, 2020

Please complete clearly and in print as Entrant or Team Captain:

Entry Category (circle only one): Business/Professional Adult (18 and older) Teen (13-17) Youth (up to 12 yrs old)

Name of Gingerbread Entry: \_\_\_\_\_

Team Name (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

(First) (Middle Initial) (Last)

(Mailing 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 fill-out the online entry and completed my entry to GRP on November 19, 2020
2. I must follow all of the Rules and Procedures set forth by GRP.
3. My entry will remain on display during GRP's holiday season through January 8, 2021.
4. I must pick up my entry between the hours of 9am and 5pm on January 9, 2021. Entries not picked up will be discarded beginning the morning of January 9, 2021.
5. Permission is hereby granted to GRP and Sedona Arts Academy and Emerson Theater Collaborative 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 GRP. Permission is also granted to GRP to transport my entry for publicity purposes while understanding that at no time does GRP guarantee the safety or security of my entry and cannot be held responsible for any damages incurred to my entry on or off the property. By participating, each competitor agrees to be bound by all of the Rules and Procedures herein, which may be amended from time to time. GRP reserves the right to refuse entries that are deemed inappropriate for display at the hotel, to disqualify any competitor who fails to follow the Rules and Procedures contained herein and/or to disqualify any competitor who falsifies any entry form information.
1. I agree to HOLD HARMLESS, RELEASE, DEFEND, AND INDEMNIFY, GRP, Sedona Arts Academy and Emerson Theater Collaborative, 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 GRP. 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.

Signature of Entrant or 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: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry form must be received by November 19, 2020.
Forms should be scanned and emailed to grock@grockproductions.com, if not filling out the online form

**VERDE VALLEY GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION**

**ENTRY DESCRIPTION FORM B**

REQUIRED FOR ALL ENTRIES

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 19, 2020

**ENTRY REGISTRATION**  
**November 19, 2020**  
9:00am-6:00pm All Divisions

**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 compromise the judging process and disqualify you from the competition.

**Description of your Entry:** Explain the backstory and/or theme and materials used in the construction process.

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TEAM ENTRY PARTICPATION FORM C

REQUIRED FOR ALL TEAM ENTRIES

DEADLINE: NOVEMBER 19, 2020

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.

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