



Gingerbread Festival

House Guidelines 2017

House Specifications

- You may use the kit provided to you OR build your own gingerbread house. However, your finished masterpiece must not exceed our space constraints: 12" wide and 12" deep (this includes the attached base/platform). Although there is no height restriction, the house must stand independently.
- Be creative! The house does not need to be edible and you're not limited to the items in your kit—add anything you wish to create your dream house! When building, please consider how you will transport the house to the mall. Build a sturdy home on a sturdy platform!
- You may display promotional materials for your group or business next to your house—materials must fit into a 4" x 6" space.

Judging

- First, second, and third-place winners for each house category (Elementary, Middle, High, and Community Partner) will be announced before our Festival begins on Friday, December 15. A short award ceremony will be held on Saturday, December 16 at 2:00 p.m.
- Houses will be judged by a panel consisting of Girl Scouts and community leaders. Remember, your house must be delivered to Westfield Sarasota Square on either Wednesday, December 13 or Thursday, December 14, between 3:00–8:00 p.m. Please call Jaime Estes at 850.339.1962 if you encounter any problems with delivery.
- A People's Choice Award contest will take place throughout the Festival, December 15–17. Votes are cast through donations; voting will take place online and at our storefront location in Westfield Sarasota Square. The winner will be announced at the close of the festival on December 17. Encourage your friends and family to vote for your house at www.srqgingerbreadfestival.com. Votes cost \$1 each, and proceeds are used to offset the costs of the event.

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The Gingerbread Village will be open during mall hours December 15–17. Entrance fee is \$1 per person. House builders will receive a limited number of free festival entries when they pick up their kit. All proceeds from the Gingerbread Festival will be used to offset the costs of the event.

Questions? Contact:

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