

WAM Gingerbread Castle Competition Rules

Sculptures

- All Gingerbread entries must be in the form of a castle.
- Please include your name and title on a visible spot on the base
- All gingerbread castles must be placed on a plywood board base not exceeding 36x36"
- No artificial materials, such as Styrofoam, are to be used to construct or decorate the castle.
- All gingerbread castles must be 100% edible
 - Professional category may use electrical components.
- Gingerbread house kits are allowed to be used **ONLY** for participants in the youth category.
- The exhibition of all gingerbread castles will be displayed in the Worcester Art Museum from December 11-December 18.

Entry Process

- There is no fee to participate.
- Group entries are allowed; one gingerbread castle per participant/group only.
- There are three divisions of castles: professional, amateur, Business Partner, and youth.
- **Registration deadline is November 28th.** If you have any questions regarding the contest entry or rules please contact Megan Burgess at meganburgess@worchesterart.org or 508.793.4450.
- A brief 1-paragraph description should be submitted with your castle.
- Completed sculptures must be **brought to** the Worcester Art Museum's Stoddard Garden Courtyard Entrance on **Sunday, December 11 (10am-5pm)**.
- Items may be **picked up Sunday December 18th (4:00-5:00pm) or Monday, December 19 (8:30am-5:30pm)**. Failure to do so will result in the disposal of your entry.

Judging

- From December 11-December 18, the visiting community will be entering ballots and a people's choice winner will be awarded. Judging for professional, amateur, Business Partner, and youth levels will take place on Sunday, December 18th. **All awards will be given on Sunday, December 18th at 3:30pm.**
- All entries will be judged by local food experts and business leaders on the following criteria;
 - Overall Appearance
 - Originality/Creativity
 - Difficulty
 - Precision
 - Consistency of Theme
- Winners in the following categories will be awarded the following prizes:
 - People's Choice – WAM Membership and Medal
 - Best Youth (12 & under) – WAM Youth Art Class and Medal
 - Best Business Partner – Choice of: Gift BP membership or Gift Family Membership
 - Best Professional \$250
 - Runner up Professional - Medal
 - Best Amateur \$100
 - Runner up Amateur - Medal