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Call for Entries!

28th Annual Gingerbread House
Contest November 30 –
December 22, 2018

at Discover Portsmouth

Vintage Christmas in Portsmouth Kickoff

Friday, November 30, 2018, 5-8pm

Portsmouth, New Hampshire... Portsmouth Historical Society has issued a Call for Entries for the 28th Annual Gingerbread House Contest, a feature of *Vintage Christmas in Portsmouth*, the city-wide, month-long celebration anchored by The Music Hall and Strawberry Banke Museum (www.vintagechristmasnh.org).

There are four categories of entry in the contest: Business/Non-profit; Youth/Youth group; Family; and Adult. Participants of any level of ability may enter. Entry details can be found below and at <http://portsmouthhistory.org/wp-content/uploads/2018/09/2018GingerbreadHouseContestRules.pdf>

Judges' winning selections will be announced at the Vintage Christmas Kickoff Party at Discover Portsmouth on November 30 from 5 to 8pm.

The exhibition of houses, on display tucked amidst a winter wonderland of twinkling lights, is free and open to the public and can be seen every day through December 22 from 9:30am – 5pm with extended hours on Saturday, December 1 and Friday, December 7 until 8pm. Visitors to the exhibition can vote for the People's Choice Awards in four categories: "Best in Show," "Most Creative Building Materials," "Most Attention to Detail," and "Most Whimsical."

According to Robin Albert, Welcome Center Coordinator, who oversees the exhibition, "This contest is a wonderful community tradition and gets everyone into the holiday spirit. Everyone - past participants and newcomers - are encouraged to enter, so get your family and friends and co-workers together and craft your own beautiful creation!"

This year's contest and exhibition are generously sponsored by Devine Millimet, 900 Degrees Neapolitan Pizzeria and Kennebunk Savings.

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Entries must be registered *no later* than Saturday, November 17, 2018. **Entries must be delivered** to Discover Portsmouth between Sunday, November 18 and Sunday, November 25, between 10 am and 4 pm (Discover Portsmouth is closed Thanksgiving Day).

Portsmouth Historical Society, is a tax-exempt 501(c)3 nonprofit that operates Discover Portsmouth, a facility housing exhibition galleries, a welcome center and museum shop, and the John Paul Jones House Museum and Garden, both in downtown Portsmouth. Both locations are open seasonally, seven days a week. Discover Portsmouth is located at 10 Middle Street; the John Paul Jones House Museum and Garden is located across the street at 43 Middle Street, Portsmouth, NH 03801. For more information, call 603-436-8433 or visit www.portsmouthhistory.org