



2024 GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST

RULES

- **Maximum base size is 15" by 15"**. You may NOT attach multiple bases together.
- **Entries larger than 15" by 15" will not be accepted.**
- **Edible materials ONLY!** This includes the "glue" that holds pieces together and support on the inside! Exception: you can include plug-in string lights or fairy lights, but **no batteries!**
- **Sturdy base required!** Your house will be picked up and moved multiple times during gallery set-up.
- By entering the contest, entrants authorize Portsmouth Historical Society to use their images and images of completed work in promotional materials.

IMPORTANT DATES

Thursday, November 21	Registration deadline
Saturday, November 23, 11am– 5pm Sunday, November 24, 11am – 5pm	House Drop-off: All houses must be dropped off at 10 Middle Street during these days and times.
Friday, November 29	Exhibition opens to the public! We will be open 7 days a week from 10:00 am to 5:00 pm, and until 7:00 pm every Friday in December.
Friday, December 6, 5:30 pm – 7:30 pm	Opening Reception, presentation of Community Judges' award ribbons
Monday, December 30	Exhibition Last Day

ENTRY CATEGORIES

Participants are required to submit entries under one of these categories. Note: If youth and teens are working together without an adult, please choose the Teen category.

- Business/Non-Profit/Organization
- Adult(s) (Age 18 and older)
- Multi-Generational (Adults and youths or teens working together)
- Teen or Teen Group (Age 13–17, working without an adult)
- Youth or Youth Group (Age 12 and under working without an adult)

NOTES

- Entrants will be asked to give their entry a **title** on drop-off.
- Gingerbread kits are allowed, provided they use only edible materials.
- Plug-in string lights allowed. Battery-operated lights strongly discouraged as the batteries die quickly.
- Your entry doesn't have to be a "house." We've seen boats, cars, books, barns, trees, etc. Anything goes as long as it's made of edible materials!