



JOIN IN THE BAKING & DECORATING FUN!

Step into a world of powdered sugar snow, towering icing evergreen trees, and magical gingerbread architecture.

CATEGORIES

YOUTH (15 and Younger)

ADULT (16 and Older)

FAMILY or **COMMUNITY ORGANIZATION**

PRIZES IN EACH CATEGORY

1ST PLACE: Conservatory Family Membership

2ND PLACE: \$100 Conservatory Gift Card*

3RD PLACE: 4 Conservatory Admission Tickets

BEST of SHOW: \$500 Cash Prize

*Gift Card is redeemable at Botanica Gift Shop & Greenhouse, The Conservatory's Garden Café, for daily admission, or may be applied towards a membership or class purchase.

IMPORTANT DATES & DEADLINES

Delivery: November 28– 29; 10am–4pm (or) 5–9pm

On Display: December 2, 2026–January 1, 2027

Notification of 1ST, 2ND, & 3RD: December 2, 2026

BEST OF SHOW ANNOUNCED: January 1, 2027

Entry Pick Up: January 2–3, 2027; 10am–4pm (or) 5–9pm

After January 3, all remaining entries will be discarded.

QUESTIONS

For any questions or more information contact:

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2026 THEME: “WINTER WONDERLAND”

Whether you are an aspiring pastry chef, a passionate hobby baker, or a family looking to create sweet holiday memories, we invite you to bring your most imaginative frozen landscapes to life. From glistening ice palaces and cozy snow-covered cabins to whimsical alpine villages, the only limit is your imagination (and structural integrity!).

GUIDELINES/LIABILITY

- * Except the base, all visible surfaces must be made of edible products
- * Entries should not exceed 16” x 16” x 16”, plywood base recommended
- * All entries must include the attached entry form when dropped off
- * Youth entries (only) may have adult assistance to bake their gingerbread or may use a gingerbread kit – but all decorating should be completed on their own
- * Contestants may include a 3x5 card with entry describing their inspiration
- * Entries will be judged on three main criteria:
 - ☐ Appearance ☐ Originality/Creativity ☐ Consistency with Theme
- * All rulings by the judges are independent and final
- * Best of Show will be selected by a vote of Conservatory Aglow visitors
- * The Conservatory reserves the right to refuse entries deemed inappropriate and to photograph and use images of all entries for purposes of promotion
- * The Conservatory does not guarantee the safety or security of entries and cannot be held responsible for any damage incurred during the exhibition
- * Share your photos! Show off your gingerbread skills! **#FPCGingerbread**

-ENTRY FORM MUST BE DROPPED OFF WITH ENTRY-

FRANKLIN PARK CONSERVATORY AND BOTANICAL GARDENS GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION

CHECK CATEGORY

☐ Youth (Age 15 and Younger)

☐ Adult (Age 16 and Older)

☐ Family/Organization

DROP OFF:
NOVEMBER 28–29

Entry # _____ (assigned upon delivery)

Title of Your Entry _____

Name _____

Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Signature _____ Date _____