



**FRIENDS OF THE OLD COURTHOUSE  
INVITES YOU TO JOIN OUR  
GINGERBREAD HOUSE DISPLAY AND COMPETITION**

All Gingerbread Houses will be displayed in the lobby of the Old Courthouse, 101 N. Johnson Street, Woodstock, from the Lighting of the Square (11/25/16) until mid-December (12/16/16).

**RULES:**

All Gingerbread House entries must be in the form of a building. Please include your name and Gingerbread House title in a visible place on the base. All Gingerbread Houses must be placed on a plywood board base, (no cardboard allowed) not exceeding 18"x18". Plywood board base will be provided free of charge at City Hall when registration form is submitted.

All Gingerbread Houses must be 100% edible; except for the base board and candy wrappers.

Use only Royal Icing (see recipe on Registration form); structures made with egg or butter icings quickly turn rancid. The meringue powder is also provided free of charge at City Hall when registration form is submitted.

Do not use anything on your house that requires refrigeration (such as prepared Jello).

**No** battery or electric components in or around your Gingerbread House are allowed. Group Entries are allowed; one Gingerbread House per participant/group.

Registration is required so space can be reserved. Please submit the Registration form to Woodstock City Hall, 121 W. Calhoun Street, Woodstock by 11/4/16. City Hall hours: 8:30am - 5:00pm M,W,Th,F and 8:30am - 7:00pm Tuesdays

Completed Gingerbread House must be submitted to the Old Courthouse on Saturday, November 19<sup>th</sup> from noon-3:00pm or Sunday, November 20<sup>th</sup> from noon - 3:00pm.

Judging will take place between 11/21/16-11/24/16 and results will be displayed on 11/25/16. Categories include: Children (10& under), Family, Group, and Business. Judging will be based on the following criteria: Overall appearance, Difficulty, Creativity and Originality. There will be a winner and honorable mention awarded in each category. There will also be a People's Choice award based on visitor ballot voting at the Lighting of the Square Ceremony on 11/25/16 from 5:00-8:00pm. Winner will be notified by email.

Gingerbread Houses must be picked up on Saturday, December 17<sup>th</sup> from noon-3:00pm. Failure to do so will result in disposal of your entry.

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GINGERBREAD HOUSE COMPETITION  
REGISTRATION FORM**

GINGERBREAD HOUSE TITLE: \_\_\_\_\_

ORGANIZATION: \_\_\_\_\_

NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL: \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

CATEGORY: \_\_\_\_\_ CHILDREN (10 & under) \_\_\_\_\_ FAMILY \_\_\_\_\_ GROUP \_\_\_\_\_ BUSINESS

FOTOC reserves the right to photograph and use photographs of all entries and participants for advertising and promotional purposes. Competition entry constitutes participant's consent to use their name for editorial advertising and publicity purposes. FOTOC is not responsible for any loss or damage. By signing this form, I understand and agree to all of the rules of this competition.

SIGNATURE: \_\_\_\_\_ DATE: \_\_\_\_\_

**Submit to Woodstock City Hall, 121 W. Calhoun St., Woodstock by 11/4/16**

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Royal Icing Recipe- Makes about 2 ½ cups

Mix Together: 1 lb. powdered sugar, 3 tbsp. meringue powder (can be found at cake decorating or craft stores), and ½ tsp. cream of tartar.

Add: 3 ½ oz. of water and beat until icing forms stiff peaks. Keep covered with a damp cloth to keep icing from drying out as you work.

Please note: You will be provided the plywood board base and meringue powder free of charge when you submit your registration form to Woodstock City Hall.

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Questions? Please email: [FriendsofOldCourthouse@gmail.com](mailto:FriendsofOldCourthouse@gmail.com)

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