

Gingerbread House Display and Contest

Everyone is invited to enter Mapleton's Gingerbread House Contest (local residents, businesses, non-profits, schools, families, and organizations)

- ❖ **Registration:** Registration forms must be filled out and turned in to Mapleton Parks and Recreation by Wednesday, November 28th. Visit parksandrec.mapleton.org
- ❖ **Event Set-Up:** All Gingerbread House entries must be set up in Memorial Hall between 12:00-4:00 PM on Monday, December 3rd. Voting will take place that evening from 5:30-7:30 PM and will be judged by the community.
- ❖ **Base & Display:** Tables will be provided, but gingerbread house display's will need to be on a self-supporting base made out of thick and sturdy cardboard, wood, or plastic.
- ❖ **Dimensions:** Self-supporting base or board can be no larger than 24" x 24". There are no height regulations, but keep in mind your gingerbread house must fit through a doorframe.
- ❖ **Guidelines:** All entries must be made of gingerbread, pre-baked gingerbread, or graham crackers. They may be decorated with candy/and or other edible embellishments. All icing and toppings must be edible. Caulking, spraying, or preserving can be used to preserve the nature of the house; however, it must look like a confectionary item. Artificial display materials such as Styrofoam mounds, interior battery lighting, or landscaping may be used in construction so long as it does not support the house structure. All candies/material must be unwrapped and free of any inedible materials. The overall majority of the structure must be gingerbread. Items such as rice type cereal can be used to support the inner structure, but cannot be seen whatsoever.
- ❖ **Have Fun!** A house can be any kind. Birdhouse, Aquarium, Fun House, Coo Coo Clock, Candy Land, Traditional Home, Villages, Snow Globe, Zoo, Castle, Log Cabin, Nativity Scene, Festival Scene, Fairytale, Stories, Movie, etc. (Your imagination is the limit!) Anything family friendly is acceptable. If deemed inappropriate the entry will be disqualified.

Winners will be announced at 8:00 PM, the evening of the event. Entries can be taken home that evening at 8:00 PM or Picked up the next morning from 10:00 AM-12:00 PM.