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SAN CLEMENTE 4TH ANNUAL GINGERBREAD HOUSE CONTEST AND DISPLAY

11/20/2023...San Clemente, California... Get your rolling pins ready, preheat your ovens, and start baking! Join the holiday fun, and compete in San Clemente's 4th Annual Gingerbread House Contest and Display. Open to all ages, with multiple competition categories, this event encourages participation from individuals, families, work groups, civic groups, and more.

The Contest entries will be judged and displayed at Santa's Village by the Sea on Saturday, December 2, 2023, from 4 pm to 8 pm. After the contest, the gingerbread houses will remain available for viewing at the San Clemente Art Gallery until Thursday, December 7, 2023.

Creativity is encouraged! All materials used on the gingerbread houses/structures should be edible. Gingerbread kits are allowed in the youth category. Registration is open, and entry is free. Sign up to compete in one of the following divisions:

- Individual (15 years & under)
- Individual (16+ years)
- Family/Group

The City will provide a 12” x 12” square base for all contest participants – thank you to San Clemente Lowe’s for their generous donation of wood bases! Bases are available for pick-up at the Community Center or San Clemente Aquatics Center.

Gingerbread houses are judged on originality, creativity, difficulty, precision, and overall appearance. Awards and prizes will be given to 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place in each division. Visit the contest and vote for your favorite Gingerbread house! One overall “People’s Choice” will also be awarded. Winners will be announced at 5 p.m. during the tree lighting ceremony at Santa’s Village by the Sea, located at the Community Center on the corner of Calle Seville and Avenida Del Mar.

For more information, contact the Recreation Division at (949)361-8264 or (949) 429-8797 or visit san-clemente.org/events. *Happy gingerbread building!*

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