

# CULINARY CONTESTS

## DEADLINE

Entry forms must be received by

**Fri., July 27, 2018**

*All entry forms are needed prior to dropping off your entry, no exceptions.*

## DELIVERY

Please see individual contest information for specific delivery instructions.

## FEES

Entry Fees are

**\$10.00** for the BBQ Contest

**\$5.00** for all other contests

*A \$25.00 penalty will be assessed for returned checks.*

## AWARDS

- Awards offered in all classes:
  - » 1st Place: Rosette and \$75.00
  - » 2nd Place: Rosette and \$50.00
  - » 3rd Place: Rosette and \$25.00
- Please see BBQ Contest page for BBQ Contest awards.
- These awards are granted at the discretion of the judges.

## CONTESTS

*Please read both the generic rules on the following page and the individual contest rules, classes, judging criteria and check-in information on that particular contest's page.*

- Live Dessert Family Challenge
- Best BBQ Sauce Contest
- Chili Cook-Off Contest
- Best BBQ Contest
- Fantastic Fair Food Contest
- Live Gingerbread Decorating Contest
- All American Pie Contest
- Cheesecake Recipe Contest
- Cupcake Baking Contest
- Big Baking Recipe Contest
- Great Pumpkin Recipe Contest
- LACF Chef Championship #1
- Almost Homemade Contest
- LACF Chef Championship #2
- Everything Bacon Contest
- Route 66 Contest
- Holiday Favorites Contest
- Terrific Taco Contest
- The Perfect Guacamole and Salsa Dip Contest
- Tamale Contest
- Live Breakfast Family Challenge
- Blue Ribbon Chocolate Chip Cookie and Brownie Contest

## JUDGING

The American System of Judging is used in The DIY Design Studio/Culinary Kitchen, unless otherwise stated. The judging process ranks exhibits against one another and gives awards to first place, second place, etc. Judges shall avoid unnecessary fraternization with exhibitors. No person shall be allowed, under any circumstances, to interfere with the judge, or judges, during their adjudications, or with the Fair's staff, or to offer any criticism of any exhibit of another. Violators of this rule shall be excluded immediately from the judging area. *No judging information will be given by telephone or mail.* The judges may award first, second and third place, according to merit. If without merit, the judges shall make no award under any circumstances. This rule applies whether there are one or more exhibits in the class. *The judges decisions shall be final.*

## QUESTIONS?

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# Live Gingerbread Decorating Contest

**Division:** 3020

**Class:**

1 – Gingerbread Decorating

**Check-In**

**Where:** DIY Design Studio/Culinary Kitchen, LACF

**When:** Monday, September 3, 2018

**Check In:** 3:15 p.m.

**Decorating:** 3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

**Judging:** 4:30 p.m.

**Specific Contest Rules**

1. You will be provided with a standard gingerbread house kit. Each kit will provide all materials needed for this competition.
2. Using **only** the materials from the gingerbread house kit provided, create and decorate your one of a kind gingerbread house. No items may be brought in.
3. Each contestant will have one hour to complete their house.
4. Contestants will be permitted to take the completed gingerbread house with them when judging is complete.
5. Public will vote on the gingerbread house entry photos throughout the Fair. **The viewer's choice award will be awarded on Sunday, September 16<sup>th</sup> at 2:00pm.**
6. Any person 18 or older may enter once per class.
7. Space is limited to 12 contestants only so get your entry form in early. Contestants will receive confirmation by the third week of August if entry is accepted.
8. See entry rules on the following page.

**JUDGING CRITERIA**

Originality/Creativity.....	50%
Appearance/Presentation.....	50%
Total.....	100%

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### Entry Rules

1. Entry form must be legible and complete with fees in order to be accepted.
2. There are no refunds of entry fee. See competition or contest for individual entry fee.
3. Adult amateurs only (18 years of age and older) unless otherwise stated.
4. Contests are open to amateurs worldwide. The entries must be solely and completely the work of the participant. Anyone paid to produce baked foods (i.e. cakes, breads, cookies etc.), provide catering services, or instruct in any area of the culinary field is not eligible to enter.
5. Items will be judged in Division and Class entered by exhibitors. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to correctly classify their items. Only items listed and described on entry form will be accepted for judging.
6. All entrants will receive confirmation packets by the third week of August.
7. Each recipe must be homemade (no mixes, unless otherwise specified), named, original, unpublished, the sole property of entrant and not previously submitted.
8. Recipes must be made using ingredients that are readily available at your local stores.
9. On the day of the contest, entries must be submitted with a typed or computer printed **measured ingredients list** on an 8 ½ x 11" sheet of paper with the entrant's name, street address and phone number. **Do not mail your measured ingredients list.**
10. All measured ingredients lists become the sole property of LACF. LACF reserves the right to edit, adapt, copyright, publish and use any or all of the measured ingredients list for any purpose including publicity, promotion, or advertising with no compensation.
11. LACF is not responsible for lost, stolen, illegible, misdirected or late entries. By entering the contest, exhibitor accepts and agrees to these requirements and the decisions of the judges, which shall be final.
12. The LA County Fair reserves the right to reject anything that is entered into a contest or competition at the Fair that may be objectionable, unsuitable, requires more space than can be given, or is in conflict with exhibit requirements.
13. LACF employees and their family members are not eligible to compete.
14. Premium checks will be mailed before October 31, 2018.
15. Any exhibitor who wins over \$600.00 dollars or more in premiums or prizes must complete a W-9 form before checks are distributed in compliance with IRS regulations. A 1099 MISC will be issued to those exhibitors.

