



Connecticut Cake Competition & Live Challenge

February 18 & 19, 2012
Show Theme: "The Great Outdoors"

~Show Rules and Regulations~ Revision: 12-14-11

Please read all rules and regulations carefully for both competition categories:
Cake/Sugar Art Competition and Wedding Cake Competition

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Cake/Sugar Art Competition:

1. This contest is open to all cake decorators (Youth to Masters), as well as Culinary and cake decorating students.
2. All Registered Attendees to the Connecticut Cake Competition may bring as many entries to the Cake/Sugar Art Competition as they wish, with no additional fees. (Rule #24 applies.) This rule does not apply to Wedding Cake Competition entries.
3. Pre-Registration is strongly urged and must be received or postmarked no later than February 8th. Any registrations received or postmarked after February 6th will be processed as "On-Site" registrations.
4. **New Registration Fee Structure:** There is a one time registration fee of \$10 for Youth (17 yrs. And younger) or \$25 for Adults, which will include unlimited entries in the Cake and Sugar Arts Competition; 1 demo ticket for Youth or 2 demo tickets for Adults; entry to Cake Salon and Vendor Area for both days; registration gift bag and ticket for door prize drawing.
5. **New Regulation:** Entries from on-site registrations will be judged separately and eligible for Ribbon Awards only. Pre-Registration is required for entries to be considered for Divisional Trophies. However, all entries are eligible for Decorator's Choice, Public's Choice and Best of Show awards. For Wedding Cake Competition, see Rule #29.
6. Registrations may be mailed, faxed or submitted online. Faxed registrations must include credit card information. On-Site Registrations must be processed by cash or credit card payment only.
7. Individual entries MUST be sole work of the entrant.
8. Team entries will be accepted in Division #13—*Team Entries ONLY*. Teams may consist of either two (2) or three (3) individuals. Each team member will complete and a separate Registration accompanied by payment.
9. All cakes are to be delivered to the Convention Center ballroom **between 7:00 a.m. and 9:30 a.m.** on Saturday, February 18th. **No entries may be removed before 5:15 p.m. on Sunday, February 19th.** To ensure proper category placement, all entries MUST be viewed at registration BEFORE placement.
10. All cakes arriving later than 9:30 a.m. will be placed for **exhibit only** in the Sugar Showcase and will not be judged. (See Rule #20.)
11. Real cakes or dummies may be used. In the event that the cake decorating skills are considered equal, the real cake will take precedence.
12. All entries must be designed to be made in real cake. No Cold Porcelain entries will be accepted for judging at this show.
13. Entries will be judged on: originality, creativity, workmanship, degree of difficulty, artistic coordination and overall appearance.
14. On tiered cakes, each tier must be a minimum of three inches in height.
15. Our show theme of "The Great Outdoors" may be used on any entry in any Division/Category, and is not limited to Division #14 ~ *Show Theme*.

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16. Deductions will be taken for plastic parts (excluding plates and columns). NO ELECTRICAL OUTLETS AVAILABLE.
17. Entries may be photographed and used by the Event Directors for promotional purposes; all photos of sugar art entries become the property of *The Connecticut Cake Competition & Cake Challenge*.
18. Special backdrops, table coverings, pictures or examples are not allowed. All advertising (business cards) are allowed with rules compliance and approval of Directors only.
19. All cakes that have previously been judged in any competition may not be entered unless significantly altered. (Picture of original design will assist if judges inquire.)
20. Any unaltered previously judged pieces may be displayed in our Sugar Showcase. Best of Show and First Place winners may be displayed in our Winner's Circle area of the Sugar Showcase.
21. The Event Directors and/or judges reserve the right to reclassify an entry if necessary, and to refuse an entry deemed in poor taste.
22. The decisions of the judges are FINAL. Judges may not enter any division, nor judge a division where a cake is known to them.
23. Ribbons will be awarded for categories; trophies will be awarded for divisions, as well as Best of Show. A Decorator's Choice and a Public's Choice award will also be presented.
24. You may enter any division in the Cake/Sugar Art Competition, but you may place only **one entry per category** in this competition. Entries will be judged on their own merit; therefore, a low number of entries in a category does not guarantee a ribbon or trophy.
25. Show Directors and/or staff are not responsible for damage of any kind, although all care will be taken to prevent such occurrences.
26. All entry forms must be signed. This signifies an understanding of all show rules and regulations and a willingness to comply.
27. Each entry will be eligible for a door prize, to be picked up at the Information Table during scheduled times on Sunday afternoon.



Wedding Cake Competition:

The rules and regulations listed in the Cake/Sugar Art Competition also apply to the Wedding Cake Competition, with the following exceptions and additions:

28. Entry Fee for the Wedding Cake Competition will be \$25.00 per wedding cake table display. This additional fee covers table rental and linens. (Also Rule #31 applies.)
29. **New Regulation:** Wedding Cake Competition registrations must be received by February 8, 2012. **No On-Site Wedding Competition entries will be accepted.**
30. Wedding cake entries will be displayed on individual table settings. Special backdrops and table coverings are an option and recommended for your display, as they will be considered within the judging criteria. Any special backdrops and table accents **may not** extend beyond the diameter of the display table or into any portion of the surrounding aisle.
31. Round tables (60" or 72" upon availability) are provided for each individual wedding cake display.
32. Ribbons will be awarded for first, second, third place and honorable mention. A Grand Prize Ribbon will be awarded to the top winner, along with a monetary and gifts prize package totaling more than \$1,000.
33. Business cards will be allowed for display for public viewing **for licensed bakeries only** after judging is completed. A copy of your bakery license will be required for this option (check on registration form).

Registration Information available at www.ctcakecompetition.com. Register by printing, and mailing or faxing a completed registration form with payment, or register online.

