2023 Hudson Valley Gingerbread Competition FAQs

- What is the Hudson Valley Gingerbread Competition?
 - The Hudson Valley Gingerbread Competition began in 2016 at Mohonk Mountain House. Individuals and teams create Gingerbread display pieces and compete for top honor. Pieces are judged and the winning pieces are displayed in the Mountain House during the Holiday season. For the past seven years we have seen some of the most artistic and innovative designs enter the competition and are excited to continue this tradition. We are honored to partner with the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley to humbly contribute to an amazing cause.
- When is the Hudson Valley Gingerbread Competition?
 - Sunday, December 10, 2023
- How to I enter the 2023 Hudson Valley Gingerbread Competition?
 - Registration will open Tuesday, October 10, 2023 and close Friday, November 10, 2023 follow the instructions to fill out the PDF forms and email them back to gingerbread@mohonk.com.
- How do find out the rules and guidelines for competitors?
 - <u>https://www.mohonk.com/events/holidays-at-mohonk/victorian-holidays/gingerbread-</u> <u>competition</u>
- Will there be an in person event and awards ceremony open to the public to visit all of the gingerbread pieces on the day of Judging?
 - This year there will be an in person event open to the general public. In addition, we will offer a Gingerbread Pass to come view the top 8 pieces on display around the Mountain House. The Gingerbread pass will be \$15 per person and can be purchased online 72 hours prior to the selected days. All of the entry fees collected for the Gingerbread pass will be donated to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley. Registered guests of the Mountain House are welcome to tour the top 8 pieces from Tuesday, December 12, 2023 through Monday, January 1, 2024.
- What days will the Gingerbread Pass be available to purchase?
 - There will be a limited number sold each day and sale of the passes will open 72 hours prior to the selected day, dates coming soon, please check our website in early December for the dates. Passes can be purchased at www.mohonk.com
- What else can I do while I visit your resort for the day with a Gingerbread Pass?
 - Each guest will receive a Gingerbread Passport at the Mohonk Gatehouse. We encourage you visit our Ice Skating Pavilion, Gift Shop, Greenhouse, Ski Shop, Spa and more! While visiting these locations you must get a stamp on your passport. If you collect all the stamps on your passport you will be entered in to win a 1 night stay for 2 people at Mohonk Mountain House.
 - There is a special Gingerbread rate to ice skate per session for \$20.00 per person as well as receive 20% off qualifying purchases at select retail locations.
 - For an additional fee, you are welcome to enjoy lunch in our Carriage Lounge or make advance reservations in our Dining Room for breakfast, lunch or dinner.
- Judging and Voting

- Judging will take place to select the winners for the Adult and Junior categories. These top 8 pieces will be on display through December at the Mountain House. Viewer's choice voting will take place on Sunday, December 10th from 1:00 pm until 3:30 pm. The winners will be announced live on Sunday, December 10th at 4:00 pm and then will be listed on our website. <u>https://www.mohonk.com/events/holidays-at-mohonk/victorian-holidays/gingerbread-competition</u>
- How can we find out who won the 2023 Competition?
 - The Competitors whose pieces are selected by our judges will be listed on our website and in the Mountain house for registered overnight guests, by Tuesday, December 12, 2023.
- Who can we contact with questions about the competition?
 - For questions about the competition please email <u>gingerbread@mohonk.com</u> and one of the committee members will respond.
- How can I make a donation to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley?
 - Donations can be made to the Food Bank of the Hudson Valley during our competition through the Facebook fund raising campaign. To learn more about what the Food Bank does for our region please visit. <u>https://foodbankofhudsonvalley.org/</u>
- What are the prizes for this year's competition?

Adult Category:

- **First Place**: A two-night stay at Mohonk Mountain House for two and a \$200 Mohonk Gift Card (Approximate value up to \$3,300).
- **Second Place:** A one-night stay at Mohonk Mountain House for two adults and a \$100 Mohonk Gift Card (Approximate value up to \$1,650).
- **Third Place:** Lunch or Dinner at Mohonk Mountain House with access to our Hiking trails for four people (Approximate value up to \$585).

Junior Category:

- **First Place:** Lunch or Dinner at Mohonk Mountain House and Recreation Access Passes for four people (Approximate value up to \$980).
- **Second Place:** Lunch or Dinner at Mohonk Mountain House with access to our Hiking trails for four people (Approximate value up to \$585).
- **Third Place:** Hiking Passes to Mohonk Mountain House and access to 18 holes of Disc Golf for four people and four Disc Golf discs. (Approximate value up to \$180)

<u>Viewer's Choice Award:</u> Each visitor to the Mountain House can cast one vote for their favorite entry to help choose the overall Viewer's Choice winner. Voting will start on Sunday, December 10, 2023 at 1:00pm until 3:30pm and the winner will be announced at the award's ceremony. The Viewer's Choice winner will get - Lunch or Dinner at Mohonk Mountain House with access to our Hiking trails for four people (Approximate value up to \$585).

<u>Honorable Mentions</u>: For the pieces that are selected as Honorable Mentions, the creator or team will receive a gift certificate for 4 Hiking Passes (Approximate value up to \$140).