

## 2012 Philbrook Festival of Trees Gingerbread House and Student Trees Entry Information

With great excitement, we invite you to participate in our fabulous **Gingerbread Houses** and **Student Trees** display during the 28<sup>th</sup> annual *Philbrook Festival of Trees*, which will run from November 17 – December 9. This beloved community event draws more than 15,000 visitors celebrating the season through the creations designed by talented local artists and imaginative students. The sale of your item ensures the continuing programs of the museum, including Free Saturdays, Garden Glow, MyMuseum and other public programming.

Have a wonderful time creating your projects. We look forward to the smiling faces of the children as they visit the museum to see their works displayed. Don't forget to allow time to visit other museum exhibits, such as *"Models and Muses: Max Weber and the Figure,"* while you are at Philbrook. Docent guided tours are available by contacting Roselle Tyner, 918-748-5309.

#### **Deadlines:**

Entry forms should be sent in as soon as possible. Each entry must have an entry form.

<u>ONE</u> entry per class, group or individual. Classes or groups may submit <u>both</u> Student Trees and Gingerbread Houses.

#### Theme:

There is no specific theme for the **2012** Festival of Trees, so use your imagination to celebrate the themes of the holidays.



### Global Table Adventure Contest:

For the second year, Festival of Trees is partnering Global Table Adventure, <u>www.globaltableadventure.com/gingerbread</u>. The Tulsa winner of their *Global Gingerbread Contest* will have a special display at the Festival of Trees plus a chance to win cash and prizes, including a one year membership to Philbrook and tickets to the TreeView Party. Please visit their website for details. **NOTE**: You will still have to submit a form to Philbrook to be in our Gingerbread display.

**Size:** Please Note!

The base for the Gingerbread House must be 1/4" plywood no larger than 18" x 18"



Trees may be any height and must be able to go through a doorway. Please have the trees assembled as much as possible before arriving at the museum. Once you have placed the tree, it may be moved again as the festival is assembled. You may return to make a final adjustment on Friday, November 18th before 4:30 p.m.

<u>All entries must comply with these rules.</u> Any entry not adhering to the size specifications will not be accepted.

Since the festival of trees is a fundraising effort, Philbrook retains the right to reject any entry they do not feel meets minimum standards of quality.

#### Signage & Description:

We will use the information on the entry form to make the signs for the Gingerbread House and Student Trees exhibit.

The sign on your Gingerbread House or Student Tree will list:

- 1. Title
- 2. School/Organization
- 3. Class/Group/Individual

<u>Please be sure to give your Gingerbread House or Student Tree a title.</u>

#### Materials:

#### \*Gingerbread Houses:

All entries are considered non-edible and may be constructed of any material (glue, milk cartons, boxes, etc.) as long as the finished product resembles a gingerbread creation of candies, sweets, crackers, etc. If real icing is used please use the ROYAL ICING (recipe included) to ensure icing will harden and hold together. Glue works better to hold parts together, so we suggest the Royal Icing be used only decoratively.

<u>Royal Icing:</u> 3 Large eggs – separated <sup>1</sup>/<sub>2</sub> tsp. Cream of Tartar 1 (160z.) package of powdered sugar

Combine cream of tartar and room temperature egg whites in a large bowl. Beat at medium speed until the whites are frothy. Gradually add sugar, beating on low until the sugar is moistened.

Beat on high speed until mix is very glossy and stiff peaks form (5-7 minutes). If necessary, add more powdered sugar.

Icing dries out quickly; keep it covered. It keeps 3 days in an airtight container at room temperature. Never double the recipe; make 2 batches instead. Can be colored with food coloring or piped.



#### **\*STUDENT TREES:**

Donor shall decorate a tree for display and sale during the Festival of Trees. All decorations should be made by the students. Classes, groups or schools may submit trees. This is a great project for an entire school or organization to undertake. Trees may be displayed inside or outdoors, but live trees are not permitted due to curatorial guidelines for the museum.

#### **Donations:**

All entries are considered donations to the museum and become the property of Philbrook to be sold during Festival of Trees as part of its fundraising efforts. Entries may be purchased beginning at the TreeView Patron Party on November 16<sup>th</sup> through the end of the show on December 9<sup>th.</sup>

#### Thank You

As our way of saying thank you to the students and their teachers or leaders for your support of this event, each class or group will receive <u>2 adult admission tickets for the teachers or leaders</u> to visit the museum. These passes may be used at anytime during *Philbrook Festival of Trees.* The museum's admission policy allows free admission for all children under 18.

#### **Gingerbread House & Student Tree Delivery Dates:**

<u>Gingerbread Houses and Student Trees</u> should be delivered through the Main Entrance of the Museum, Sunday, November 11<sup>th</sup>, 11:00 am-4:00 pm and Monday, November 12th, 9:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m. In special cases, arrangements may be made through Karen Fraser, 748-5382, <u>kfraser@philbrook.org</u>

<u>Entries for the Global Table Adventure Gingerbread Contest</u> should upload their photos by November 12<sup>th</sup> to be considered for the cash and prizes.

Volunteers will be on hand for delivery and check-in: Philbrook Museum of Art, 2727 S. Rockford Rd. Tulsa, OK.

#### No deliveries after November 12, 2011.

# Important Dates:

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If you have any questions, please contact: Karen Fraser, Fundraising Events Manager, 918-748-5382, <u>kfraser@philbrook.org</u>