

# Judging Critics and Dessert Categories

Contestants must complete registration form and be entered in the name of the person who made the dessert. Entries will be assigned a number and judging will take place before the entrant's names are identified. Entries may not contain any labeling of any kind other than the name of the Dessert and Entry number; one Dessert entry per person.

We recommend all desserts be made from scratch and all natural ingredients should be used in the recipe. Ingredients must be listed on a 3X5 card to provide information for people with food allergies and placed on your assigned table.

**Dessert Categories:** (Desserts are judged as a whole not by categories)

- a. Cakes, Cake pops, Cupcakes, Muffins
- b. Pies, Cobblers, Crisp
- c. Cookies/ Bars, Cookies/ Brownies, fudge
- d. Other Desserts (puddings, custards, Mousse, pastries, tarts. Ice cream and candy)

**Desserts must be registered with the form submitted prior to the event.**

## Judging

- Judging will start at 11:30AM.
- Minimum of three judges.
- Entries will be assigned a number and judging will take place before the entrants names are Identified.

### **Criteria for judging** –Point total 25

- Overall Appearance/Presentation Up to 5 Points
- Flavor (aroma, taste, and balance of flavoring) Up to 5 Points
- Texture/Consistency (evenly baked, doneness) Up to 5 Points
- Moistness/Crumb (as applicable to category) Up to 5 Points
- Creativity/Originality Up to 5 Points

## Scoring

Each judge assigns a numerical value for each dessert without consultation with the other Judges. The dessert receiving the highest total numerical value is the winner. In case of a tie judges will judge the final desserts again, selecting the best of the final. Winners will be announced at the end of the completion around 3:30PM.

## People's Choice Award

We recommend that you invite your fans to come and vote for your dessert item. The People attending the event will go around sampling and placing a vote for the best

dessert they enjoyed the most. Announcement will be made when voting will be closed and all tickets are collected and counted. The winner will be announced at the end of the event. May the Best Pastry Chef Win!