

# The Fourth Annual MS Cake Decorating Challenge

Saturday, April 25, 2015, Just Think Cake is proud to present The Fourth Annual MS Cake Challenge at First United Methodist Church, 103 1st St SE, Fort Walton Beach, FL 32548

The contest is open to all ages.

This event is to showcase your cake decorating skills and creativity. In addition we will have demonstrations, vendors and door prizes. Winners in each category, chosen by a guest panel of celebrity judges will be awarded prizes and two people's choice winners will be awarded, one in taste and one in decorating.

"Outdoors" is the theme of this year's show

The divisions are:

**Masters:** One who has had the equivalent of four weeks of Professional classes (This includes ANY COMBINATION OF CLASSES AND/OR HANDS-ON SEMINARS totaling 20 full days of professional instruction) Includes First Place winners from a prior year of the MS Cake Challenge Professional division.

*\*Entry fee \$20 for the first cake and \$10 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Professional:** A past or present teacher having taught (3) classes or more; operator of in-home business selling more than an AVERAGE of 36 cakes per year; Employed **as a decorator** in a commercial bakery more than three years; past or present owner of a commercial bakery; taken the equivalent of ten (10) full days of classes from a recognized professional teacher. (This includes ANY COMBINATION OF CLASSES AND/OR HANDS-ON SEMINARS totaling 10 days of professional instruction)

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**Semi- Professional:** A past or present teacher having taught less than (3) classes; operator of in-home business selling less than an AVERAGE of 36 cakes per year; Employed **as a decorator** in a commercial bakery for three years or less; taken the equivalent of five (5) full days of classes from a recognized professional teacher.

*\*Entry fee \$20 for the first cake and \$10 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Adult Advanced:** More than two years decorating experience, three or more courses of cake decorating lessons including basic Wilton courses. Open to experienced or accomplished decorators who have never worked as paid decorators or instructors. Prior winners of the MS Cake Challenge Novice division must enter this category.

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**Adult Beginner:** Less than two years decorating experience, no more than two courses of cake decorating lessons.

*\*Entry fee \$20 for the first cake and \$10 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Teen:** Children ages 13-17. Cakes or decorated cookie cakes may be submitted.

*\*Entry fee \$8 for the first cake and \$5 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Junior:** Children ages 7-12. Cakes or decorated cookie cakes may be submitted.

*\*Entry fee \$8 for the first cake and \$5 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Youth:** Children age 6 and under. Cakes or decorated cookie cakes may be submitted.

*\*Entry fee \$8 for the first cake and \$5 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Cupcakes:** This division is open to all ages and all skills. Cupcakes and / or their display should be representative of the event theme "Outdoors" this category is judged on decoration only, not taste.

*\*Entry fee \$20 for the first entry and \$10 extra for an additional entry in the same category*

**Taste:** Open to everyone. Please be prepared to list ingredients for allergen information. Cakes should be representative of a sheet or layer cake but do not have to be decorated.

*\*Entry fee \$10 for the first cake and \$5 for an additional entry in this category*

**ANYONE WHO HAS WON IN THEIR DIVISION IN A PRIOR MS CAKE CHALLENGE WILL BE REQUIRED TO MOVE UP TO THE NEXT DIVISION. This does not apply to the Youth, Junior or Teen Divisions.**

**PLEASE READ CAREFULLY – RULE UPDATES FOR 2015**

1. Set-up will be complete by 10 AM on the day of the event.
2. Judging will be done prior to the doors opening to the public at noon.
3. No electrical outlets are available for your display.
4. No COMMERCIAL FLOWERS may be use on any competition piece – automatic points deduction
5. Hand work scores more points than molded work
6. No non-edible jewelry – automatic points deduction
7. You will be given a description form to fill out describing entry and your techniques used. This will be read by the judges while viewing your entry.
8. Cake dummies can be used for both SCULPTED and NON-SCULPTED entries
9. For SCULPTED cake entries you MUST provide three photos of your work in progress for the judges.
10. Competition committee and or judges reserve the right to move your entry to another category as they see fit
11. Each category will have a 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> place winner and the Judges will choose an overall Best in Show.
12. Each decorator will receive one “Decorator’s Choice” ballot so that you may vote on your favorite in the competition.
13. People’s Choice winners will be determined by donation this year. Clear boxes will be placed by each cake. In lieu of ballots, the largest donation amount at the end of the viewing will determine the People’s Choice winner. All proceeds from the People’s Choice donations will go to the MS Society.
14. You will have the opportunity to auction your cake via a silent auction bid form if you wish.
15. All entry fees are non-refundable and are tax deductible donation to the National Multiple Sclerosis Society.

***\*\*All registered entrants will receive a one time 10% discount for Just Think Cake and Supply to purchase supplies for the event\*\****

**Plan on taking one or all four of Yvette Humbert’s classes during the event.**

Supply Vendors will be present and Demonstrations and children’s activities will be taking place all afternoon. We will have raffles and door prizes as well.

A photographer will be present to photograph your cake before being placed on display. This is completely optional, and will be offered at no charge to entrants, but you will be asked to sign a photo waiver.

All proceeds benefit the National Multiple Sclerosis Society. All entry fees are tax deductible.