THE CITY OF BOWIE
PRESENTS THE 39th ANNUAL
HOLIDAY HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

JUDGING WILL BE HELD ON WEDNESDAY, DECEMBER 9, 2020
6:00PM - 11:00PM

JUDGING CRITERIA, RULES & AWARDS INFORMATION ARE ON THE BACK OF THIS FLYER.

HOME DECORATING ENTRY FORM
(FORM MAY BE REPRODUCED)

DECORATING CATEGORY
CIRCLE ONE: COLONIAL  RELIGIOUS  TRADITIONAL

NAME:______________________________________________________________

ADDRESS:__________________________________________________________

PHONE #: HOME ____________________________________________ WORK

EMAIL:________________________________________________________________

By sending in this form the participant gives the City of Bowie permission to use their name and picture of their house for future publicity.

MAIL OR DROP OFF YOUR ENTRY FORM TO:

BOWIE CITY HALL, 15901 EXCALIBUR ROAD, BOWIE, MD 20716
ATTN: HOUSE DECORATING CONTEST

FORM MUST BE RECEIVED BY 5:00PM MONDAY, DECEMBER 7, 2020
JUDGING CATEGORIES AND CRITERIA

* Entrants will designate one of the 3 categories listed below:
  • **Traditional** (colored or white lights, children's fantasies, Santa Claus and friends, etc.)
  • **Religious** (of any denomination)
  • **Colonial** (candles in the windows, greenery, white lights, the Williamsburg look...)

All categories will be scored by the judges using the following criteria:
• Creativity: Originality, effort, number of materials used, homemade vs. commercially made.
• Appearance: Color coordination, balance and overall attractiveness will be major factors.
• Effort: Time and energy put into preparation and presentation.

AWARDS

Family Awards:
Pirmohamed Family Award in Memory Diamond Pirmohamed who love of family will always be remembered. ($100) Incorporates Animation or other methods to intrigue children and encourage family interaction
Mateik-Pitts Family Award ($100)
Best first time entries
Best of Bowie Awards (White House Ornament)
Bowie Spirit Awards (Belair Mansion Ornament)

CONTEST RULES

* Home must be located within the Bowie City limits.
  (Please check with us if you're not sure.)
* Contest is limited to what can be seen from the street side of the house at night.
* People and live animals are not allowed as part of the display.
* All participants are requested to keep their houses decorated through December 31ST so the Community may view and enjoy them.
* Entry deadline is Monday, December 7, 2020 at 5:00 pm.
* Judging is on Wednesday, December 9, 2020 between 6:00 -11:00 pm.
* Judges' decisions are final.
* Winners will be announced on Bowie TV and the Bowie website on Monday, December 21, 2020, 7:00 pm.

If you have any questions, please call Bowie City Hall at 301-809-3078 or send an email to mcorley@cityofbowie.org