

The 20th Anniversary Chocolate Festival

Pro/Am Bake-off

February 3, 2023

Do you think you have an amazing Chocolate Cake recipe? Are you ready to compete against the best bakers in Eastern NC?

Then we want you!

2023's Chocolate Festival Bake-Off is guaranteed to be fun and exciting AND rewarding for our contestants!

The Awards

\$250 for First Place / \$100 for Second Place

\$50 for Third Place *in both categories!*

The Rules

Please compete in the category that best describes you:

Pro - Someone whose livelihood is derived partially or fully from baking - a pastry chef, baker/owner, *even* someone who bakes from home but sells their products privately or at a vendor location like a Farmer's Market.

Amateur - Someone who bakes for personal consumption or for friends or family *only*.

You must submit two identical cakes!

One will be used for judging and sale to Chocolate Festival guests. The other will be auctioned off to raise funds for our charities.

Chocolate! Chocolate! Chocolate!

Each entry ***must*** feature chocolate as the primary ingredient

Each entry must be received by 4 p.m. on Friday, February 3rd for judging

Each entry must include a detailed description of the dessert



2023 Pro/Am Bake-Off Application

Please select a category

Professional _____

Amateur _____

Name: _____

Restaurant/Company Name (if applicable):

Address: _____

City: _____

Contact #: _____

Email: _____

I understand that I am entering two (2) cakes for the Pro/Am competition. I may enter as many times with two (2) cakes each, up to three entries.

There will be two separate contests - one for Amateurs and one for professional bakers.

I understand that **Chocolate** should be prominently featured in the recipe.

We will be receiving applications until February 1. You will receive an acceptance email shortly after our receipt of your application. Remember, applications are received on a first-come basis, so please don't wait!

Please print, complete and mail application to:

Carolina Chocolate Festival

P.O. Box 243 Swansboro NC 28584



2023 Pro/Am Bake-Off Rules Friday February 3, 2023

Rules and Regulations:

- Competition is open to all NC residents at least 15 years of age.
- Judging will be based on four criteria: presentation, taste, use of chocolate and creativity.
- Plates will **NOT** be returned.
- Each participant will receive **ONE** free ticket to the Chocolate Festival, a picture of themselves holding their entry and a certificate of appreciation.
- Cakes will be received at the Crystal Coast Civic Center from 2:30-4:30 p.m. on Friday February 3rd.
- Judging will begin shortly after 5:30 p.m.
- First place will receive \$250, Second place will receive \$100, Third place will receive \$50 in each of the Professional and Amateur categories.
- First, Second and Third place in each category will also receive a Carolina Chocolate Festival T-shirt.