



1st Annual Tamale Showdown Contest
State Fair of Louisiana
Sunday, November 4, 2018
3:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.



Entry Form & Rules
No Fee to Enter

Entry Form

Entry Type:

Individual _____ Company _____ Organization _____

Tamale Type:

Beef _____ Pork _____ Chicken _____ Vegetarian _____ Sweet _____

*This is a freestyle competition. Only one type of tamale can be entered by any participant.

Company/Organization Name if Applicable:

Contact Person: _____ Telephone: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Email: _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

***Entries will be open to the first (50) participants**

Please return Entry Form to:

Vita Riner, vitariner@gmail.com

Phone: (318) 286-5407

OR

State Fair of Louisiana

3701 Hudson Ave

Shreveport, LA 71109

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Competition Rules

Entry Forms should be submitted on or before October 29, 2018 by 5:00 p.m. You can email your entry to vitariner@gmail.com or fax to 318.631.4909 or deliver or mail to: 3701 Hudson Avenue Shreveport, LA 71109. Upon receipt, you will receive a participation confirmation number. Entries will be open to the first (50) participants.

The event will take place at the State Fair of Louisiana Main Entertainment Stage on Sunday, November 4th from 3pm-5pm. You must show up no later than 2:45 p.m. to check in.

It is required to submit (36) tamales, (6) of them will be used for judges to choose 1st, 2nd and 3rd Places and the remainder of the tamales will be used for the public to choose the People's Choice Award. We suggest the size for traditional tamales to be 1" thick, 2" wide and 6" length. The size suggestion is based on the quantity we are expecting to need for the judges tasting and the public, but this size is only optional.

Your space at the table will be approximately 48" x 36" and feel free to bring warmers or coolers. You are allowed to decorate your area to represent your tamale. No electricity or propane burning is allowed. Chafing dishes are allowed.

You must bring your tamales already cooked and prepared hot and ready to eat. If there is any sauce/condiment that goes with your tamale, please include in your plate presentation.

Table space will be provided to you for your set up and presentation of your tamales at 3:00 p.m.

Judging will take place from 3:30 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. and you are required to submit (6) plates of tamales for judging. Judging will be based on flavor, appearance, texture and aroma.

Public judging for People's Choice Award will take place from 3:00 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. and voting will close at 4:30 p.m. Public judging is open to any persons that are 13 years of age or over. Public judges will pick up tokens at the Invasora booth to be used to vote on tamales. Feel free to bring your family and friends to support you.

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You are required to serve with plastic gloves and use utensils for handling the food.

We do not have a spicy food policy, but please keep in mind that some of the public judges may be sensitive to extremely spicy food.

Tamale Showdown winners will be announced at 5:00 p.m. on the Main Stage.

1st Place will receive \$500 cash + award, 2nd Place will receive \$300 cash + award, 3rd Place will receive \$200 cash + award, and the People's Choice Award will receive \$500 + award. 1st Place, 2nd Place and 3rd Place winners will be determined by the judges and the judges' decision is final. People's Choice Award will be determined by the number of tokens received by the public.

For additional information, questions or concerns, please contact Ms. Vita Riner at 318.286.5407 or email her at vitariner@gmail.com

I have read and understand each one of the rules and requirements to participate in this contest and I agree to abide by all rules. I also understand that any violations of the rules could lead my dismissal in the contest.

Signature: _____

Date: _____

Participant number: _____