



British Sugarcraft Guild



South East Area

Individual Competition 9th May 2026

To enter the competition please complete the entry form and return it to Jan Thorpe, the competition secretary by the 27th April 2026. After registration you will be sent a letter containing full information. Competitors can enter more than one item. £2.00 of your entry fee will be refunded to you when you book in on the day. Please read all the information carefully, especially the February 2023 Competition Guidelines and Competition Rules attached to this schedule, if you are unsure or have any questions contact the Competition Secretary or Chair of Judges Sandra Richards *Details See rule 4.*

Children's Division

A child may enter any class for which they are eligible, e.g. an 8 year old may enter Junior or Teens/Young Adults. However, children are limited to winning three Gold awards in any one class. Once three Gold awards have been achieved in one category, the child must then move up to the next level if they wish to continue competing. Any child winning three Gold awards in the Teens category may then enter the Novice class at Adult level. Open to BSG members and non-members.

Children must be of the appropriate age for their category on 9th May 2026.

CDA - Tots up to the age of 7 - The Beach

A decorated board with the theme 'The Beach', using any edible medium. Ribbon may only be used to edge a board. Only edible decoration and supports may be used. All work is to be done solely by the competitor. Age, NOT NAME, to be displayed by the exhibit. No height restriction. To fit within a 9" (22.8cm) square.

CDB - Juniors up to the age of 12 – Teddy Bears Picnic

An item of the competitor's choice with the theme 'Teddy Bears Picnic' using any edible medium. Dummies, wires, edible and inedible supports may be used. If creating a cake with wired sugar flowers, wires must be placed in flower picks and not directly into the cake/dummy. Ribbon may only be used to edge the board. All work is to be done solely by the competitor. Age, NOT NAME, to be displayed by the exhibit. No height restriction. To fit within a 10" (25cm) square.

CDC - Teens/Young adults up to the age of 18 – Birthday Party

An item of the competitor's choice with the theme 'Birthday Party,' using any edible medium. All decorations to be made from any edible medium, although stamens, thread, wire and floristry tape may be used. Dummy cakes may be used. Ribbon may only be used to edge the board. All work to be done solely by the competitor. Age, NOT NAME, will be displayed by the exhibit. No height restriction. To fit within a 14"(35.5cm) square.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines, any relevant section plus pages 24-26.

Novice Division

A novice is a beginner or someone new to a particular skill who has not won a Gold award in any one class at any BSG competition. (Children's division exempted) i.e. If a gold award in the miniature novice has been won, a competitor may not enter miniature novice again, but could enter another class in the novice division.

Open to BSG members and non-members. Children are eligible to enter the novice division, entry fee applicable. No tutor or demonstrator of sugarcraft is eligible to enter the novice division.

NDA – Model, Monsters

A maximum of two distinct models with the theme 'Monsters', made in any edible mediums. Moulds, non-edible supports, edible varnish, gel, glaze and whitener may be used. Ribbon may only be used to edge boards. No height restriction. To fit within a 10" (25cm) square.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Page 11/12 no. 2b & page 14 no. 12.

First Timers

Open to anyone of any ability who has NEVER entered any sugarcraft competition before, either BSG or with any other organisation. No tutor/teacher/demonstrator of sugarcraft is eligible to enter the First Timers Division.

FDA – Cake Top - Colours of Autumn

A cake drum/board coated in royal icing, sugarpaste, chocolate, ganache or buttercream to represent the top surface of a cake and decorated with the theme 'Colours of Autumn'. All decorations to be made from edible mediums, but sugar flowers may contain stamens, wire, thread and floristry tape. Ribbon may be used. Board can be any shape but must fit within a 10" (25cm) square.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Page 14, no 10/11.

Open Division

Open to everyone – BSG members and non-members, except those who have won three Gold awards in any one Open division class - they may enter any other class in Open division and need not have previously entered at novice division.

ODA - Miniature - Christmas Scene

A miniature Christmas scene made with any edible mediums. Wires, floristry tape, ribbon, stamens, thread and cotton may be used. Remember, the aim of a miniature is to achieve daintiness. Any glitters must be edible and pots supplied by the exhibit with the competitor's number. To fit within a 6" (15cm) cube.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Page 14 no 13.

ODB - Model – Monsters

A display of two individual models with the theme 'Monsters', made in any edible mediums. Non-edible supports, edible varnish, gel, glaze and whitener may be used. No moulds can be used. Ribbon may only be used to edge boards. No height restriction. To fit within a 12" (30.5cm) square.

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ODC – Wedding Floral Sprays

Two or three floral sprays suitable for a wedding cake. Any edible mediums may be used for the sprays. Only stamens, wire, floristry tape and thread allowed. Ribbon may be used in moderation. Method of display competitor's choice but must fit within a 14" square (35.5cm). No height restriction.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Pages 12/13, no 4 & Definitions.

Definition of a Spray: made up from wired flowers, taped together and assembled to form one complete piece of work, which may then be placed on top of, or draped over the edge of, a cake or display piece e.g. posy, wedding spray or corsage.

ODD - Tall Cake – Colours of Autumn

A single tier cake at least 5 in/12.5cm tall. Coated in chocolate, buttercream, royal icing, ganache or sugarpaste with the theme “Colours of Autumn”. Dowels, flower picks, wires, floristry tape, thread and stamens may be used. Dummies may be used. Ribbon may only be used to edge the board. All other decorations need to be edible. No height restriction. To fit within a 12” (30.5cm) square.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Page 11, no 1. Please refer to any other sections relevant to your design, e.g. modelling.

ODE - Rich Fruit Cake

A round 8” (20cm) traditional English fruit cake with no marzipan or icing coating. Recipe to be competitor’s choice. A copy of the recipe **must** be submitted along with your exhibit on 9th May 2026. The cake will be cut, handled and tasted. Cake to be presented on a 10” (25cm) board with a doily. This category is limited to 15 entries.

See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines: Page 15, no 16.

ODF – 3d Shop Window

A 3d shop window made in any edible medium. All items within the display must be in proportion to the size of the window. All decoration must be edible. Height, width & depth to fit within 9” (22.86cm).

For more information See Edition 4, February 2023 Competition Guidelines.

ODG - Charity Cake

A cake or dummy coated in royal icing or sugarpaste to represent a registered charity. **The charity must be clearly identifiable.** The name and address of the charity must be provided at the time of entry, along with a short description of your charity and its objectives. Artificial decoration allowed. **Please obtain permission from your charity first, to avoid problems with copyright.** No height restriction. Exhibit to fit within a 12” (30.48cm) square.

Visitors to the exhibition will be the judges for this category.

A contribution to the collection tin will entitle a visitor to a ticket to vote for their favourite cake. The cake that gains the most votes, wins and ALL PROCEEDS will be donated to that charity.

All competition entry money from this category will be added to the funds raised through voting.

A prize will be awarded to the winner only; no other awards will be given.

Master Division

Open to those who have won a gold in ANY Sugarcraft Division of a Major Competition.

In addition, competitors entering the Master Division are not allowed to enter, at this show, an exhibit of the same category at a lower division.

MDA–Floral display -Winter

A botanically correct display with the theme ‘Winter’. Display is the competitor’s choice. Any edible mediums may be used, including wafer paper and gelatine. Only stamens, thread, wire and floristry tape may be used. No dried Gypsophylia. Ribbon may only be used to edge boards. No height restriction.

To fit within a 12” (30.5cm) square.

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MDB –Model scene–Monsters

A modelled scene to include a minimum of three “Monster” models, made in any edible medium. Internal non edible or edible supports permitted, varnish, gel, glaze and whitener may be used. No moulds to be used. Ribbon may only be used to edge boards. No height restriction. To fit within a 12” (30.48cm) square.

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Competition Rules

1. Entry forms and fees to reach the Competition Secretary by **27thApril 2026**.
2. All competition entries should arrive between 7.30 a.m. and 9 a.m. and must be in place by 9.20 a.m. on **9th May 2026**. Items may not be removed before 4.30 p.m. The committee will stage late exhibits, at the discretion of the CoJ.
3. All competitors and branch members must leave the exhibition area, after setting up their exhibit.
4. Entries will be judged under British Sugarcraft Guild Guidelines, which have the same standard in every competition. Copies of the Guidelines which give the marking criteria for each class and rules and Guidelines for Competitors, are available from the BSG website shop at www.bsguk.org. All branches have a copy for reference. Any questions should be made to Jan Thorpe Competition Secretary email janthorpehome@hotmail.com Tel No. 01296 614263 or 07840 148954 or The Chair of Judges Sandra Richards. lsrichards2@btinternet.com. 07447902045.
5. Care must be taken to comply with the specifications given for each class. Entries that do not comply may not be judged and not marked. Please pay particular reference to use of dummies, artificial decoration and overall size of exhibit. "No artificial decorations" and "Non-Edible" means NO stamens, wires, ribbons, thread, lace, dried materials, twigs, stones, dowels, feathers, metallic cake jewellery etc. may be used. (Except for ribbon edging on display boards). Everything must be edible.
6. Cakes will not be cut unless indicated and dummies may be used unless otherwise stated.
7. Competitors will be issued with entry numbers for each exhibit, which must be clearly and securely attached to the front and rear of the piece. No personal identification to be displayed.
8. All care will be taken with exhibits, but the organisers cannot be held responsible for any loss or damage.
9. All entries must be original, unaided and work of the competitor. E.g. **not made in a class**. The components must not have been used, either as a whole or in part, in any previous competition.
10. Sharp objects such as wires or pins must not be directly inserted into a cake, cake board or dummy. Safety Seal is not considered to be food safe and must **not** be used. Only posy picks or similar can be used.
11. Gold, silver or other metallic colour/dust used, must state **edible** on the pot or packaging, unless used solely on a removable piece, which is not expected to be eaten. The product used must be displayed beside the exhibit in an envelope marked with the competitor number only. If such colours are used and not supplied, the exhibit will be deemed 'Not to Schedule'. Rolkem colours are not edible, Non Toxic on a product means it is not edible.
12. Where "Ribbon Insertion" is used, the ribbon must be made from an edible medium.
13. Boards/drums can be of any shape but must fit inside a square of the dimensions shown for each class. Allowance will be made for normal manufacturing tolerances. Edges should be neatened. E.g. with ribbon, braid etc.
14. The judges will be available in the afternoon to see competitors for feedback (see programme timetable). If you still have any queries after receiving feedback please speak to the competition secretary or the COJ **on the day**. The decision of the Chair of Judges is final and NO correspondence or phone calls will be entered into after the show has closed.
15. The Organisers have the right to use photographs they have had taken of competitors' items for BSG use only. ALL PHOTOGRAPHY TO BE FOR PERSONAL USE ONLY. Photographs of the exhibits may be published electronically if you credit the creator (where known) and organiser (BSG SE Show or BSG South East Area). Competitors are not allowed to publish any photographs of any of the exhibits on social media before the close of the show.
16. No music is allowed with an exhibit.



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South East Area

Individual Competition Entry Form 2026



The closing date for entries is **27th APRIL 2026**. All entrants must complete this form.

Name	Child's name
Address	Child's age
Post code	Telephone number (mobile preferred)
Email Address	
BSG Membership number (If you have one)	BSG Branch (if member)

	Quantity	Total
Adult Member deal. One competition & exhibition entry @ £12**		£
Adult Member. Competition only / Additional competition entry @ £7each**		£
Child competition entry – Free		£0.00
Child Exhibition entry @ £3		£
** £2 cash refunded at the show, for each entry booked in at the show. Grand Total		£

Please make cheques payable to 'British Sugarcraft Guild South East' or email for bank details.
Entry tickets bought in advance will be held for collection when booking in your entry on 9th May 2026.

Please circle each category you are entering and provide any further information requested.
You will receive a letter confirming your competition entry.

CDA – Tots up to 7	ODA – Miniature	ODE – Fruit Cake
CDB – Juniors up to 12	ODB – Model, Monsters	ODF – 3D Shop Window
CDC – Teens/Young Adults	ODC – Wedding Floral Spray	MDA – Floral Display - Winter
NDA – Model Monsters	ODD – Tall Cake	MDB- Model Scene - Monsters
FDA – Cake Top	ODG – Charity cake Must be a registered charity Charity name:	

I agree to abide by the Rules and Conditions stated in the Competition Schedule and accept that the Chair of Judge's decision is final. My details will be held by the Competition Secretary until all exhibition business is closed. You will only be contacted regarding the exhibition or competition.

Signed:

Date:

Please return this form with your cheque and a stamped addressed envelope to: Competition Secretary Jan Thorpe Cymbeline, Risborough Road, Little Kimble, Bucks HP17 0UE	If you have questions please contact Jan. Email: janthorpehome@hotmail.com or Tel No. 01296 614263 or 07840 148945 For more details on Data Protection policy please see the SE Area website www.bsgsoutheast.org
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