2nd Annual Gingerbread House DECORATING CONTEST

Judging takes place on December 6th during Christmas in Odessa.

Gather your friends, family or co-workers and decorate a gingerbread house to enter. Contest will be held at Old St. Paul's Church located at 506 High Street.

16x16 base or smaller
Use a kit or bake your own
Adult and child categories
Ribbons for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place winners,
and People's Choice Award



Entries must be received Friday, 12/5/25 from 4:30-6:00pm.

For a full set of rules and to register, visit www.christmasinodessa.com.

Registration opens 10/1/25.

ADVANCE TICKETS

November 1 - December 5, 2025 Tickets may be purchased in advance for \$25.00 at:

HISTORIC ODESSA FOUNDATION (HOF)

Visitor Center at 201 Main Street Tuesday through Saturday 10:00am to 4:00pm and Sunday 1:00pm to 4:00pm

ONLINE

christmasinodessa.eventbrite.com until midnight on 12/5/25.

SAME-DAY TICKETS

Tickets purchased the day of the tour are \$30.00 and may be purchased at:

THE OLD ACADEMY
4th and Main Streets

HISTORIC ODESSA FOUNDATION

Visitor Center at 201 Main Street



The Women's Club of Odessa

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The Women's Club of Odessa gives back to the community by fundraising for educational scholarships for local high school seniors who reside in the Appoquinimink School District; supporting local community projects; and assisting with historic preservation.

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Christmas in Odessa 2025



61st Annual Fundraiser

Saturday, December 6, 2025 10:00am to 5:00pm Historic Odessa, Delaware

Presented by the THE WOMEN'S CLUB OF ODESSA

Presenting a self-guided tour of private homes and public buildings decorated for the holiday season.



CHRISTMAS IN ODESSA

Many activities are free and do not require a ticket EXCEPT for the Tour of Private Homes and Public Buildings. Donations are always appreciated.

9:30am Want to explore our festively decorated private homes and public buildings? You can purchase same-day tour tickets at the Old Academy Building or the HOF Visitors Center if you didn't purchase one in advance.

9:30am to 4:00pm Wreaths and fresh

Wreaths and fresh greens including white pine, magnolia, boxwood and holly will be for sale at the barn behind the Wilson Warner House at 202 Main Street. Greens sale is open to the public.



10:00am Tour private homes and public buildings at your leisure. A tour ticket is required to enter these gorgeously decorated buildings. Carols will be sung a cappella by "VOCAL EXCHANGE" during the tour.

10:00am to 4:00pm Gingerbread Contest display opens and voting for People's Choice Award begins at Old St. Paul's Church at 506 High Street. Display is open to the public.

10:00am to 4:00pm Santa and Mrs. Claus will be at a NEW location, Old St. Paul's Church at 506 High Street. You may take your own photos.

11:00am The MOT Male Choir performs at St. Paul's located at 406 Main Street. Concert is open to the public.

11:00am to 2:00pm 1st Delaware Regiment fife and drum will be performing around town.

11:00am to 3:00pm
Join us for "Tea"
including complimentary
Christmas cookies
and punch served by
the Women's Club of
Odessa at the HOF

Visitors Center at 201 Main Street.

12:00 noon Bell Ringers Concert at St. Paul's located at 406 Main Street is open to the public.

12:15pm Chancel Choir performance at St. Paul's located at 406 Main Street is open to the public.

12:30pm St. Paul's Choir performs a "Christmas Sing Along" at St. Paul's located at 406 Main Street. Concert is open to the public.

2:00pm to 4:00pm Ken Warner plays the historic tracker organ at Old St. Paul's Church at 506 High Street. Concert is open to the public.

5:30pm Odessa Tree Lighting Ceremony on the lawn of the Old Academy.

Refreshments will be available in town throughout the day.

MAIL ORDER TICKETS

Advance Ticket: \$25.00 Children 6-12 years old: \$5:00 Children Under 6 years old: Free

Advance tickets may be purchased by mail from November 1st through 15th. Tickets will be sent for all requests received by November 15th. Checks received after November 15th will be returned.

Number of tickets at \$25.00 each
Number of children's tickets at \$5.00 each
\$25.00 x no + \$5.00 x no = \$
Name
Address
Phone

Enclose this form along with check/money order and a self-addressed stamped envelope so that we can send your tickets to you. Make checks/money orders payable to the Women's Club of Odessa.

MAIL TO: The Women's Club of Odessa Attn: Tickets P.O. Box 254 Odessa, DE 19730

Advance tickets may also be purchased online until midnight on 12/5/25 at Eventbrite: christmasinodessa.eventbrite.com
You can either print your ticket or show the ticket on your smart phone.

For both mail order and tickets purchased online you may pick up your tour booklet at the Old Academy at 4th and Main Streets or at the HOF Visitors Center at 201 Main Street in Odessa on the day of the tour. Event is held rain or shine.