

Instructions

How to Enter

Post your entry on Facebook using the tag #BrambletonLibrary, or email your entry to miranda.madro@loudoun.gov by 11:59 p.m. EST on Thursday, Feb. 15.

Entries must include:

1. One photo of your cupcake showstopper
2. The name of your cupcake showstopper
3. Each person's name involved in baking, decorating, and photographing your cupcake showstopper
4. What recipe(s) you used and where you accessed them (specific ingredients/instructions not required)

Judging

Contest judges:

1. Dana Alfahham, *Cake Designer and Owner of Dana's Cake Shoppe in Leesburg, professional baker for over 15 years*
3. Miranda Madro, *Librarian at Brambleton Library and amateur baker*

Entries will be judged on the following criteria:

1. **Name of Cupcake Showstopper:** Imaginatively describe your showstopper theme.
2. **Creativity of Design:** Use different shapes, colors, decoration types, and techniques to represent a theme.
3. **Photo of Cupcake Showstopper:** Take a high-quality photo of your cupcakes in an interesting arrangement.
4. **Use of Library-Provided Toothpick Flag:** Incorporate the flag artistically into your theme or design.

Rules

1. This competition is meant for adults and will be judged at an adult level, but participants are not required to provide their age.
2. You must bake the cupcakes yourself. You may use store bought cake mix and frosting, but you're encouraged to make your own.
3. Your photo should include exactly eight cupcakes.
4. The library-provided toothpick flag must be visible in your contest entry photo. Flags are available at Brambleton Library starting Feb. 1.
5. Multiple people can help bake, decorate, and photograph your cupcake showstopper, but each person's name must be included on a single entry, and each of them will share the prize if your photo wins.
6. Your entry photo and cupcake showstopper name must be appropriate for all ages.
7. LCPL has the right to use the information and photo from your entry on LCPL social media and other library materials.

Prizes

Winners will be announced on Feb. 20 at [facebook.com/BrambletonLibrary](https://www.facebook.com/BrambletonLibrary) and can pick up their baking-themed prizes at Brambleton Library. Prizes include a Brambleton Bake Off apron, a Dana's Cake Shoppe gift card, and a feature in the Brambleton Library Community Cookbook.

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call 703-777-0368. Three days' notice is requested.