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**3rd Annual CDRC Gingerbread House Design competition opens at BSA Space
through December 22**

[Editor's note: High-resolution images and interviews with the organizer are available upon request.]

BSA Space's 3rd Annual Gingerbread Design Competition, sponsored by the Community Design Resource Center of Boston (CDRC), features crafty confections by local architecture firms from Boston and elsewhere in Massachusetts. More than 10 teams are participating this year with renditions of some of Boston's most iconic buildings and infrastructure, including the State House, the old State House, Longfellow Bridge, the Greenway Carousel, Fisher Hill Reservoir Gatehouse, the Old North Church, and a runway at Logan Airport. Other entries include a residence with solar panels, a Hobbit house, Vintage Camper Christmas, and a scene from *Elf*.

Visitors can vote by bidding for their favorite houses at <http://gingerbread.cdrcboston.org>.

Donations of any size are welcome, and all donations count. All donations are 100 percent tax-deductible and support the work of CDRC (link: cdrcboston.org), a 501(c)3 nonprofit. The highest bidder for each house may decide its post-exhibition fate. The house that generates the most total donations will be declared the winner and announced at a closing reception on December 22. Also recognized will be the house that receives the highest number of bids.

The exhibition and reception are free and open to the public.

A list of the architecture firms participating include Connor Architecture, designLAB architects, Dore and Whittier, Finegold Alexander + Associates, The Jones Payne Group, Levi + Wong Design Associates, Klopfer Martin Design Group, Molly Flueckiger + Katherine Blakeslee, Institute for Human Centered Design, Paul Lukez Architecture, Steffian Bradley Architects, and STV Incorporated.

For more details, visit <http://www.architects.org/bsaspace/exhibitions/3rd-annual-gingerbread-house-competition>.

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About BSA Space

BSA Space is Boston's leading center for architecture and design, and home to the Boston Society of Architects and the Boston Foundation for Architecture. BSA Space hosts exhibitions on design and architecture, architectural cruises and walking tours, and other programs and events that foster exchange between design and construction, and the

profession and the public, and that encourage collaboration across the city and world. For more information, visit architects.org/bsaspace.

About the Boston Society of Architects

The Boston Society of Architects (BSA) is committed to professional development for its members, advocacy on behalf of great design, and sharing an appreciation for the built environment with the public at large. Established in 1867, the BSA today consists of nearly 4,000 members and produces a diverse array of programs and publications, including ArchitectureBoston Expo and *ArchitectureBoston* magazine. A chapter of the American Institute of Architects, the BSA is a nonprofit, professional-service organization. Its partner organization, the Boston Foundation for Architecture, supports the civic and public outreach of the architectural community. For more information, visit architects.org or bfragrants.org.

About the CDRC

The Community Design Resource Center of Boston works to creatively extend the reach of good design to all communities, and to engage diverse audiences in the design of their neighborhoods. With a staff of one and a design community of several thousand, we provide pro bono technical assistance to community groups, nonprofits, and municipalities in projects that involve and benefit underserved communities throughout metropolitan Boston, and we support, promote, and celebrate Boston-area architects and designers doing public-interest work. The CDRC is an independent 501(c)3 nonprofit. For more information, visit www.cdrcboston.org