2021 DESIGN CHALLENGE

This year’s theme is Home Sweet Home. What does home mean to you? Do you want to design a home for yourself or your family and friends? Maybe you want to design a gingerbread home for your favorite animal or character. Keep these questions in mind as you design.

THE DESIGN PROCESS

Architects and designers use the design process to create their projects. They begin with asking questions, learning about a topic, and brainstorming ideas. Then, they use those ideas to build their design and share with others. Use the following steps of the design process to spark your imagination. Grab a pencil and some paper to write/sketch on, and let’s get started!

ASK

ASK QUESTIONS

The first step of designing your gingerbread home is to think about what you are designing for. Use these questions to help guide your design.

Who will live in your gingerbread home?

What kinds of activities will they do at home?

Where is the gingerbread home located?

LEARN

FIND INSPIRATION

Now that you know who and what you are designing for, it’s time to research and look for inspiration. Click on the buttons below to see photos of past gingerbread projects. These gingerbread projects were made by local architects and kids like you.
**BRAINSTORM**

**SKETCH IDEAS**

Use the space below or a piece of paper to sketch out your design. Use your sketch as a plan to guide you as you build.

**BUILD**

**CHOOSE MATERIALS**

Review your sketch and choose which materials your design needs. Use the list of materials below as inspiration for what to build your design with.

- Boxes
- Pretzel Sticks
- Graham Crackers
- Cones
- Twizzlers
- Gum Drops
- Gum Sticks
- M&Ms
- Kit-Kats
- NECCO Wafers, Smarties
- Candy Canes
- Coconut Flakes, Sugar
- Marshmallows
- Frosted Mini Wheats

**SHARE**

**TAKE PHOTOS**

Use a camera, phone, or computer to photograph your gingerbread design. For photography tips and tricks, see page 3 of the Welcome Packet.

**SUBMIT AN ENTRY**

Complete one of the following submission forms and upload photos and/or videos of your design.

- In-Person Submission
- Virtual Submission

**SHARE ONLINE**

Share your design process with the BSA on Facebook, Instagram, Twitter, or LinkedIn. Tag #BSAGingerbread2021.