



1905 W. Morton, Jacksonville, IL 62650

# 2018 Festival of Trees

*A display of decorated trees, wreaths, centerpieces &  
gingerbread structures*

Welcome Designer:

The theme for 2018 is “The Magic of Christmas.” Dates for the 2018 Festival of Trees are Friday, November 16 – 18, 2018. 2017 was our first year hosting the Festival of Trees and was very successful because of your participation and interest. An added feature for 2018 will be handmade designed/decorated gingerbread structures.

The designer entries, along with identification signage, will be displayed throughout the entire Festival. Decorated entries not selected by benefactors during the Grand Opening may be for sale during the auction on Sunday, November 18, 2018 at 2:30 p.m. All entries available for auction may be pre-bid through placing a “silent bid” during the Festival. Festival of Trees designers will be listed in the program and on identification signage.

There is no entry fee to design a tree, wreath, centerpiece or gingerbread structure. Artificial trees and wreaths are provided by the Festival of Trees. Designers are responsible for providing all materials used to decorate their entry(s). Designers may choose from any or all of the following categories:

- 6.5’ tree: pre-lit with 250 white lights
- 4’ tree: pre-lit with 100 white lights
- 30” wreath with no lights (the designer may add lights if desired)
- Centerpiece
- Gingerbread Structures – Child, Adult or Child/Adult (eg. house, barn, church, tractor, etc.)

## Directions and Instructions

- Artificial trees will be available the day of set-up, unless other arrangements have been made.
- Wreaths will be available for pick up at Pathway beginning Thursday, Sept. 13, 2018 on Monday – Friday from 8:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.
- Display set-up will be all day Wednesday, Nov. 14, 2018 from 7:30 a.m. – 10:00 p.m.  
Additional display set-up will be Sat., Nov. 10 & Sun., Nov. 11 from 1:00 – 6:00 p.m.
- Make certain that all additional lights and ornaments are permanently attached for safe movement and delivery.
- Provide appropriate skirting for under your tree.

Our new feature to the Festival of Trees is handmade gingerbread structures. Children and adults are invited to design their own entry.

## Gingerbread Structure (specific instruction guidelines available)

Gingerbread structures are handmade of edible materials. Only gingerbread structures constructed of all edible materials can be bid on through “silent auction” during the Festival of Trees event. Children and adults are invited to create an entry for the Festival of Trees. Designers will be listed in program booklet and each structure will have identification signage.

Registration forms for your designer entry(ies) are available on our website at [www.pathwayservices.org](http://www.pathwayservices.org) by clicking on the “Festival of Tree” button. Or if you wish, contact our office at (217) 479-2300 and we will mail the registration entry form(s) to you. **Please return your entry form(s) no later than Monday, November 6, 2018.**

Again, thank you for your participation in the Festival of Trees. All the beautiful designer entries and activities at the Festival of Trees are a perfect beginning to the holiday season. The proceeds of the Festival benefit the unfunded needs of individuals with disabilities receiving services at Pathway Services Unlimited. To the start of the season – Happy Holidays!!

Sincerely,



Stephen R. Brundage  
Executive Director



Dr. Barbara L. Suelter, President  
Board of Directors