

## Calling All Chefs and Bakers To Damariscotta Pumpkinfest Pumpkin Dessert Contest on October 8

For 2011, Damariscotta Pumpkinfest & Regatta is pleased to again invite all chefs, bakers, and wannabe Food Network stars to enter the second annual Pumpkin Dessert Contest. This yummy event will be held on Saturday, October 8, 2011, at Skidompha Library in the atrium area.

Contestants are required to drop off two of their desserts -- one for judging and one for tasting. All contestants must provide their own plates, platters, and decorations if desired, as well as serving utensils.

Desserts must be dropped off at Skidompha between 10:30 a.m. and 11:45 a.m., on October 8. Contestants and the public will then be asked to leave, and the doors will be closed at noon when the judging begins.

The winners will be announced at 1:30 p.m. Prizes are as follows: First Place - \$150; Second Place - \$100; Third Place - \$50. Tickets to taste the dessert entries will be sold for \$5 for three selections, with tasting beginning after the winners are announced.

All types of pumpkin desserts -- pies, cakes, cookies, muffins, shortbreads, puddings, crisps, clafoutis, cobblers, tarts, candies, mousse, souffles, ice creams, tortes, trifles, creme caramels, flans, semifreddos, crepes, strudels --

are eligible but they must include fresh, frozen, or canned pumpkin. Pumpkin pie spice alone does not count.

To register, contact Gail Berry at 563-1774 (of Nails By Gail at 24 Center Street in Nobleboro, Maine) or Jennifer York at [jyork@tidewater.net](mailto: jyork@tidewater.net).

To keep up to date on all events and happenings, be sure to visit the Pumpkinfest's web site [www.damariscottapumpkinfest.com](http://www.damariscottapumpkinfest.com).

Photo Caption:

Just a partial sampling of the scrumptious pumpkin desserts entered in last year's contest. (Photo by Phyllis Guss)

