

Santas Around the World ANNOUNCES



2026 Christmas WINDOW DECORATING

Application Deadline
Monday, November 2nd

**Window Decorating
Deadline**
Monday, November 23rd

Judging Period
Nov. 23rd - Dec. 4th

**Contestant
Awards and Prizes**
Best Overall Window

\$1,000
4 Individual Runner-Up Windows
\$500 each

Sponsored by
ROSEWOOD
Roots & Wings Santa Committee

**Winner
Announcement**
Friday, December 11th
through local media channels

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Join us this Christmas in a lasting tradition encouraging holiday spirit and promoting activity downtown during this special season.

The Rosewood Santa Committee

is accepting applications for the

7th Annual Downtown Great Bend

Christmas Window Decorating Contest

This contest is open to all businesses and local artists. If you want to participate and don't have a business window downtown, you may sign up to decorate one of the vacant windows available for community inclusion. Businesses may call on local decorators and independent decorators have the option to coordinate with a business owner for window decorating.

Window displays must be family friendly, creative, festive and visible from the exterior. Judging will be done from outside the building. A panel of local artists will select a "Best Overall" downtown window, earning that business \$1000, then select four individual runner-up windows, each winning \$500.

Judging criteria encompasses:

- Originality - The original and creative concept of the design.
- Workmanship - Detailed design and craftsmanship of objects with successful use of materials.
- General Presentation - An overall effective presentation in beauty and creativity.
- Lights - Creativity in the use of lights.

Visit the SANTASAROUNDTHEWORLD.COM website for "always available" information regarding contest guidelines such as rules, the application, and downtown window availability for businesses and window decorators. Visit Santas Around The World on facebook for updates and notifications. Photos and video will be shared during the season through both.

- Business owners/window decorators must submit applications to be included in judging, no later than 12:00pm, Monday, November 2, 2026.
- Windows must be completed and ready for judging by 8:00am, Monday, November 23.
- Judging period will take place from Monday, November, 23 through Friday, December 4.
- Media prep will occur December 4 through December 10.
- Winners will be announced through local media channels on Friday, December 11, 2026.

If you choose to decorate your windows, but not enter the contest, your windows will be photographed and included on the website and on facebook. We strongly recommend your window be lit up in some way at night. With people walking our downtown area in the evening, it's the perfect opportunity for them to view your window(s) and be attracted to visit your business.

Contact us at (620)-792-2536 or santasaroundtheworld@gmail.com.

Happy Decorating!



Entry is free. No cost or fees apply. Contest is limited to business windows in the Downtown Great Bend area of 10th Street to 18th Street and Williams Street to Kansas Street. Vacant window availability is limited and assigned on a first come, first served basis. Business and decorator agreements are strictly between a business owner and decorator.

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Christmas Window Decorating Contest 2026

Entry Application

All businesses and/or window sponsors within the City of Great Bend are eligible to participate. If you want to participate and don't have a business window in the downtown area, you may sign up to decorate one of the vacant windows available for community inclusion. Businesses may call on local decorators and independent decorators have the option to coordinate with a business owner for window decorating. Complete and submit required form below. Applications must be received no later than 12:00pm, Monday, November 2, 2026 in order to be judged in the contest. Windows must be completed and ready for judging by 8:00am, Monday, November 23.

Want to submit the form online? Go to SantasAroundTheWorld.com/window-contest.

Business Name: _____
(If Applicable)

Contact: _____
(First) (Last)

Address: _____

E-mail Address: _____

Daytime Telephone: (_____) - _____ - _____

[] I HAVE READ ALL CONTEST RULES AND REGULATIONS AND WILL
ABIDE ACCORDINGLY.

Signature: _____ Date: _____

(Please print)

Complete above information, and return form to:

Santas Around The World - Atten: WDC
PO Box 1321, Great Bend, KS. 67530

Contact information: Call Daily 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM (620)-792-2536 or
santasaroundtheworld@gmail.com

Select Your Category: Business Window Owner: _____
Window Decorator: _____

- Contest is limited to business windows within the Great Bend Downtown area.
- If you want to participate and don't have a downtown business, opportunities exist to decorate a vacant window. Vacant window availability is limited and assigned on a first come, first served basis.
- Independent decorators have the option to coordinate with a business owner for window decorating. Such agreements are strictly between business owner and decorator.

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