



2016 Gilroy Garlic Festival
July 29, 30, and 31, 2016
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Do You Want to Play with Fire?

Enter the 2016 Gilroy Garlic Festival Flame-Up Contest

June 28, 2016 (Gilroy, CA): For the first time ever, the Gilroy Garlic Festival is holding a contest for one lucky visitor to do his or her own “flame-up” with the Pyro Chefs on Gourmet Alley at the Festival on Friday, July 29, 2016. The winner also receives four admission tickets, four Gourmet Alley combo plate passes, and a VIP parking shuttle to and from the Festival.

The “Pyro Chefs” on Gourmet Alley put on an impressive show every year as they cook up sizzling garlicky calamari and scampi over leaping flames in huge iron skillets. The winner of the contest will train with experienced Pyro Chefs to learn the secret tricks of the trade to create the perfect towering inferno in front of Festival guests on Friday morning.

In addition to the flame-up, the winner will get a behind-the-scenes tour of Gourmet Alley to see how thousands of volunteers create other mouthwatering Festival favorites like pasta con pesto, pepper steak sandwiches, garlic bread, and more.

Entrants must be 21 years of age or older. Online entries are being accepted online at the [Garlic Festival Facebook page](#) through July 20. Additional details can be found at <http://gilroygarlicfestival.com/festival/2016-flame-up-contest/>.

The 2016 Gilroy Garlic Festival, presented by Raley’s, Bel Air and Nob Hill Foods, will run from 10:00 am to 7:00 pm on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday, July 29-31, at Christmas Hill Park in Gilroy. Admission is \$20 for adults and \$15 for seniors 60+ and children ages 6-12. Children under age 6 are admitted free. Parking is \$10 per vehicle and includes shuttle buses to and from the Festival entrance. Gates close at 6:00 pm.

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Tickets are available online at www.gilroygarlicfestival.com and at participating Raley's, Bel Air, and Nob Hill Foods stores.

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About the Gilroy Garlic Festival

The 38th Annual Gilroy Garlic Festival will be held July 29, 30, and 31, 2016, at Christmas Hill Park in Gilroy, California. Presented by Raley's, Bel Air, and Nob Hill Foods, this annual event draws tens of thousands of guests from around the world for a three-day celebration of great garlicky food, live entertainment, and fun for the whole family. For more information, see www.gilroygarlicfestival.com.