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2023 Adult Stemming Contest winner announced

PLANT CITY, Fla. (March 9, 2023) – The fastest strawberry stemmer on the festival grounds was found yesterday at the annual Adult Strawberry Stemming Contest.

John Flores of Florida was declared the winner of the contest where participants compete to determine who can most quickly remove the stems from 25 strawberries.

The Adult Strawberry Stemming Contest, sponsored by Chocolate Strawberry Express, is one of eight food contests of its kind held at the festival annually. The Super Dog Mega Corn Dog Eating Contest, Strawberry Shortcake Eating Contest, Deep- Fried Strawberry Pie on a Stick Relay, Youth Strawberry Stemming Contest, Strawberry Spaghetti Eating Contest, Strawberry Mashed Potato Pie Eating Contest, and Amish Donut Eating Contest all take place during the 11-day event in the Stingray Chevrolet Entertainment Tent.

About the Florida Strawberry Festival

The Florida Strawberry Festival is an 11-day community event celebrating the strawberry harvest of Eastern Hillsborough County. Each year, over 500,000 visitors enjoy the festival's headline entertainment, youth livestock shows, exhibits of commerce and, of course, its strawberry shortcake. The 2023 Florida Strawberry Festival will take place March 2 - March 12 in Plant City, Fla. For more information, visit www.flstrawberryfestival.com, Facebook, Instagram, TikTok and Twitter (#berryfest23).

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