

Lambton Shores in Bloom Contest



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the Lambton Shores Communities in Bloom Committee

Bloomin' Categories



Best Bloomin' Rural Property



Best Bloomin' Home



Best Bloomin' Public Facility



Best Bloomin' Church



Best Bloomin' Container



Best Bloomin' Business



Best Naturalized Garden



Grandest Native Tree

Each category has two awards—one for "Area A" (Wards 1,2,3) and one for "Area B" (Wards 4,5,6,7) Lambton Shores

Evaluation criteria includes...

- ✓ Diversity of planting displays and plants utilized
- ✓ Tidiness and maintenance
- ✓ Concept and design
- ✓ Creativity and uniqueness

Judging will take place July 3-13, 2012.
Winner's presentations will be made
during the 2012
Communities in Bloom Judges' Tour.

ENTRY FORM—DEADLINE FOR ENTRY IS JUNE 25, 2012

Name of nominee _____

Category for nomination (please check one):

Best Bloomin' Home ___ Best Bloomin' Rural Property ___ Best Bloomin' Church ___ Grandest Native Tree ___

Best Bloomin' Business ___ Best Bloomin' Public Facility ___ Best Bloomin' Container ___ Best Naturalized Garden ___

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Nominated by: _____ Email: _____

****NOTE: The property owner must be aware of the nomination before the entry form is submitted.**

For more information, call Catherine Minielly at 519-786-3329, Grace Dekker at 519-243-3058 or the Lambton Shores Community Services Department at 1-866-943-1400.

Completed entry forms can be mailed to: Lambton Shores Community Services Department, 9575 Port Franks Rd, RR #1 Thedford, ON N0M 2N0, dropped off at any Lambton Shores Municipal Office or emailed to events@lambtonshores.ca.

By entering this contest, the home owner agrees to allow judges to view the property at the judges convenience during July 3-13, 2011.



Evaluation Criteria

Diversity of Displays:

Flower beds, raised beds, planters, hanging baskets, window boxes

Brief Scope: realisation, practicability - is the garden true to the original proposal? A garden with a simple theme can still be a gold winner if the execution is good, but innovative gardens are more likely to score better in this category.

Diversity of Plants:

Annuals, perennials, bulbs, grasses, woody grasses, evergreens, deciduous trees; design and ecological factors

Planting Design: colour, texture, association, relevance to the overall design, quality and finish. Plants must be horticulturally accurate and perfect specimens.

Hardscaping:

Stonescaping, structures, water feature, walls or fencing, garden accents and other aesthetics

Construction Quality: finish, special features. Has the garden been well constructed? It's important to get the balance right and overuse of hard landscaping can count against the designer.

Maintenance:

Tidiness, free of weeds, deadheaded and watered

Overall Design: Unity, balance, scale. Invention and creativity may also be rewarded.

Concept and Design:

Curb appeal, flow pattern from area to area, garden rooms, patios or sitting areas; color, compositions, creativity, texture, theme and functionality

Overall Impression: Impact, originality, visual impact.

Overall Design: Unity, balance, scale. Invention and creativity may also be rewarded.

Naturalized Gardening Only

Natural landscaping, also called native gardening, is the use of native plants, including trees, shrubs, groundcover, and grasses which are indigenous to the geographic area of the garden. Naturalized gardening is aiming to create an environment in one's garden that will attract wild forms of life such as insects, birds, reptiles, amphibians and mammals. The closer your property is to the pre-existing ecology of the area the better. Pesticides are not used in this type of gardening.