

The Canton Garden Center will hold its annual Beautification Contest the week of July 18th, 2010. Winners will announced and presented with awards on September 14th, 2010.

The contest is open to residential and commercial properties. You may enter your own property or someone else's, with their permission.

Please fill out the form below and send to the Canton Garden Center by July 5th, 2010

Residential

Please choose one category:

- Public Area (front yard)
- Private Area (back yard)
- Overall Area

Please select how the property was developed and is maintained:

- Owner developed/maintained
- Professionally developed/maintained
- Professionally developed/owner maintained

Commercial

I am entering a commercial property.

Name _____
 Address _____
 City _____ Zip Code _____
 Phone _____
 Nominated by: _____
 Phone _____

Send to: Canton Garden Center
 1615 Stadium Park Dr. NW
 Canton, OH 44718-3517

**The Standards for Evaluating Landscape Design
 National Council of State Garden Clubs, Inc.**

RESIDENTIAL	Value
I. First Impression	5
II. Propose (Passive, recreation, privacy)	5
III. Design (46%)	
A. Functional Aspect	
1. Suitability to site	6
2. Creation and utilization to space	10
3. Circulation (pedestrian, vehicular and parking.	2
4. Additional use factors (special activities, contemplation, etc.)	2
B. Aesthetic Aspect	
1. Design principals employed (proportion, scale, balance, dominance, rhythm and contrast)	8
2. Design elements applied (line, form, pattern, texture and color)	8
3. Originality and distinction	6
4. Additional qualities (adaptation of design to special geographic features, subordination of unsightly structures, accent focalization)	3
IV. Implementation (30%)	
A. Materials and structures	
1. Suitability to site, contours, drainage patterns and ground forms.	7
2. Suitability and relationship to design (mood of design, concept)	7
3. Perfection of details (walls, walks, pools, paving, decks, etc.)	5
B. Plant Materials	
1. Suitability to site	6
2. Suitability to design	4

(Residential Standards Continued)

	Value
V. Maintenance (10%)	
1. Incorporation of maintenance awareness into design	5
2. Current, sustained maintenance (both plants and structures, degrees of perfection)	5
3. Circulation (pedestrian, vehicular and parking.	2
4. Additional use factors (special activities, contemplation, etc.)	2
B. Aesthetic Aspect	
1. Design principals employed (proportion, scale, balance, dominance, rhythm and contrast)	8
2. Design elements applied (line, form, pattern, texture and color)	8
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4. Additional qualities (adaptation of design to special geographic features, subordination of unsightly structures, accent focalization)	3
VI. Final Impression	5
COMMERCIAL	Value
1. Attractive, well designated building entrance and parking areas	20
2. Signs where needed that do not detract from overall landscape	10
3. A balance of plant materials designed for year-round beauty	20
4. Positive impact on the immediate neighborhood	15
5. Maintenance of property, lack of clutter, and effective camouflage of dumpsters	20
6. Overall landscape (example: balance, proportion and scale, rhythm, form, color and texture)	15

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Week of July 18th



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Canton, OH 44718-3517
330-455-6172*

Dear Beautification Contestant,

The Canton Garden Center welcomes and encourages your participation in our annual beautification contest. This year the gardens will be judged the week of July 18th. Contestants do not need to be home. If home, contestants are requested not to come out and talk to the judges. A card will be left at your home notifying you that we have been to your garden.

We thank you for allowing us to view your property,

Sincerely,

The 2010 Beautification Committee