

The Canton Garden Center will hold its **Annual Beautification Contest** the week of July 13-17, 2026. Winners will be announced and presented awards on September 8, 2026. The contest is open to residential and commercial properties. Enter your own garden or another person's garden with their permission.

Complete this form and detach the standards for the nominee. Send the form to the CGC by June 23, 2026.

RESIDENTIAL

Select one category:

Overall Area

COMMERCIAL

____ This is a commercial property

Name _____

Address _____

City _____ Zip Code _____

Phone _____ E mail _____

Have you been nominated previously?

YES _____ NO _____

If yes, what year? _____

What category? _____

Nominated by: _____

Phone: _____

**Send to: Lenora Krueger
1834 Swanhurst Cir NE
N. Canton, OH 44720**

Your property will be judged By Landscape Design Consultant's and Members of the Canton Garden Center and Master Gardeners

RESIDENTIAL	<u>Maximum Value</u>
I) First Impression(4)	4
II) Clear Purpose(4)	4
III) Design (45)	
A. Functional Aspect	
1. Suitability to site	6
2. Creation and utilization of space	10
3. Circulation (pedestrian, vehicular and parking)	2
4. Additional use factors (special activities, contemplation, etc.)	2
B. Aesthetic Aspect	
1. Design principles employed (proportion, scale, balance, dominance, rhythm, 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 (29)	
A. Materials and structures	7
1. Suitability to site (contours, drainage patterns and ground forms)	
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
	<u>Maximum Value</u>
V) Maintenance (14)	
A. Incorporation of maintenance awareness into design	5
B. Current sustained maintenance (both plants and structures, degrees of perfection)	5

C. Current sustained maintenance of vehicular and pedestrian areas	2
D. Current sustained maintenance of additional areas	2
VI) Final Impression (4)	4

Total Possible Value 100



COMMERCIAL **Maximum Value**

1. Attractive, well designed building entrance and parking	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

Total Possible Value 100

Your garden has been nominated by:



**If you have questions, contact:
Lenora Krueger Cell 330-704-7687
Beautification Co- Chairman or
Ann Bradway 330-327-4817
Beautification Co-Chairman**

Dear Beautification Contestant,

The Canton Garden Center
welcomes and encourages your
participation in our Annual
Community Beautification Contest.

Someone has noticed your garden and is
honoring you by nominating you for a
Community Beautification Award.

Gardens will be judged by Canton Garden
Center Members the week of
July 13-17, 2026.

Contestants do not need to be home. Due to
time constraints, we ask that contestants remain
inside and not visit with the judges. A door tag
will be left at your property notifying you that
we have been to your garden.

We thank you for allowing us
to view your property.

Sincerely,

The 2026 Community
Beautification Committee

Canton Garden Center
330-455-6172

Community Beautification Contest

2026



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