

2015 CITY OF ST. CLAIR
YARD-OF-THE-YEAR CRITERIA

JUDGING CRITERIA

- Judging will be done from street side only
- You may self-nominate or be nominated by someone else
- Judging will take place from July 23, 2015 thru August 14, 2015
- Certified Master Gardeners will be our judges
- Winners can only win once every 3 years
- Yards of St. Clair Beautification members are not eligible
- Total points is based on 100 point system (design=60 + maintenance =40)

CRITERIA

1. DESIGN – 60 POINTS

A. Unity – 15 points

- Plantings, etc. should reflect style of the home
- Harmony of home, plant material, walkways, drive structures, lampposts, flag poles, etc.
- Complimentary and harmonious color scheme in flower and foliage

B. Balance – 15 points

Good use of mass, color or form to create equal visual weight on either side of a center of interest (front entry) whether formal or informal

C. Proportion – 15 points

All elements in scale with one another and most importantly to the home itself

D. Variety – 15 points

- The use of plant material in a variety of species, shapes, shades and textures
- Creative use of containers, window boxes, sculpture/garden art, specimen plants, benches, brick pavers, lighting, fencing, etc.

2. MAINTENANCE – 40 POINTS

A. 10 points – trees and shrubs healthy and well pruned/sheared

B. 10 points – perennials and annuals healthy and deadheaded

C. 10 points – lawn healthy, well-groomed and edged

D. 10 points - fences, arbors, benches, etc., painted and in good repair; drive and walks swept

1st, 2nd, and 3rd place residences in each Ward throughout the city will be recognized publicly at a City Council meeting. First place winners will receive a memento in recognition of their achievement.

2015
Yard of the Year
Nomination Form

1. Address of Nomination: _____

2. Homeowners Name (if known): _____

3. Select Ward (if known):

___ 1st Ward: Residences north of Vine Street

___ 2nd Ward: Residences bound between Vine and Clinton including Oakland, Jackson, Hugo and Sinclair

___ 3rd Ward: Residences south of Clinton, except Oakwood, Jackson, Hugo and Sinclair

Contest is open to all residences in the City of St. Clair:

Submitted by (optional): _____

Address: _____

Phone: _____

DEADLINE FOR ENTRIES IS MONDAY, JULY 20, 2015

Return completed form to:
Yard of the Year Contest
Attn: Linda Missana
1837 N. River Rd.
St. Clair, MI 48079

Questions: Linda Missana, Beautification Commission Member,
810-326-0436 or any Beautification Committee Member