

## Property judging will be based on the following categories & criteria:

### **General—applies to all categories:**

- *Maintenance - the lack of elements such as dead and diseased plants, well presented lawns and clipped shrubs, considered water usage and overall attention to detail.*
- *Design - aspects such as layout, colour, use of line, form and texture, plant use and once again attention to detail within this context.*

### **Best Large Garden**

- Over 300 sq feet.
- Consideration will be given to the variety of plants, overall aesthetics.

### **Best Small Garden**

- Less than 300 sq feet. Including apartment balconies and houseboats
- Consideration will be given to the variety of plants, overall aesthetics, use of space.

### **Best Environmental Practices**

- Consideration will be given to water conservation, habitat, plant selection including assortment of edibles and use of native plants, rainwater catchments, and availability of composting and solar lighting.

### **Best Artistic Garden**

- Consideration given to artistic impression, ornamental enhancements and landscape design.

### **Best Curb Appeal**

- Consideration will be given from initial road side/street side viewing of the garden and will include home appeal, i.e. paint colours, window trims, siding.

### **People's Choice Garden**

- Committee will nominate People's Choice Semi-Finalists
- Photos will be taken during judging. These photos will be posted at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre and on the Esquimalt Parks & Recreation Facebook Page June 20-23. Homeowners with gardens that bloom prior to or after judging may submit their photos with their entry or email them to [blooming@esquimalt.ca](mailto:blooming@esquimalt.ca).
- Winners will be selected based on the highest number of votes: a combination of the ballots at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre AND the "likes" on Facebook and announced at the awards evening on June 25.

### **NEW! Neighbourhood Challenge**

Using the Official Community Plan Zones, the greatest number of properties participating in 2015 will be earn the title "Esquimalt's Bloomin' Beautiful Neighbourhood". To be eligible, properties must meet the general criteria and score at least 50% on the judges evaluation.

Prizing: 1st Place \$150 Value or Cash; 2nd \$100 Garden Works Gift Card; \$50 Country Grocer Gift Card

## Important Dates

May 1-June 10	Entry/Nomination Deadline
June 16-19	Garden Judging
June 20-23	People's Choice Voting
June 25	Awards Evening

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# BLOOMIN' BEAUTIFUL

esquimalt's home and garden contest

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**Photo submissions.** For gardens that bloom prior to or after judging, photos taken by the nominee may be submitted by email to [blooming@esquimalt.ca](mailto:blooming@esquimalt.ca) (include name and address with email) or attach the photos to the entry form.

**Entry/Nomination Form** Please return this form to the Esquimalt Recreation Centre or Esquimalt Municipal Hall. Online entry/nomination form also available at [esquimalt.ca/blooming](http://esquimalt.ca/blooming)

**Please check:**  Self Nomination  Nominating a Neighbour (You are nominating another Esquimalt resident, business or institution)

**First & Last Name** (of person completing form) \_\_\_\_\_

**Business/Institution** (if applicable) \_\_\_\_\_

**Address being nominated** \_\_\_\_\_

**Email** (if applicable): \_\_\_\_\_

**Phone** \_\_\_\_\_ *At least one of email or phone MUST be included. Email is preferable if available.*

**Category** Please select ONE (1) category. All entrants MUST self-nominate for the category that they would like their garden/home to be judged. For category criteria, please visit [www.esquimalt.ca/blooming](http://www.esquimalt.ca/blooming). Details are also available at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre or Esquimalt Municipal Hall.

Best Large Garden  Best Small Garden  Best Environmental Practices  Best Artistic Garden  
 Best Curb Appeal

**Garden Location** Please check all that apply.  Front Yard  Back Yard  Side of House  Balcony/Patio

**People's Choice Category.** Judges will nominate gardens for a sixth category, "People's Choice". Voting for "People's Choice Garden" will take place June 20-23, 2015 at the Esquimalt Recreation Centre and through Facebook: [esquimaltpandr](https://www.facebook.com/esquimaltpandr). For gardens that bloom prior to or after judging, photos taken by the nominee may be submitted by email to [blooming@esquimalt.ca](mailto:blooming@esquimalt.ca) or attached to their entry form.

By entering this contest participants agree to have the Bloomin' Beautiful Committee photograph their gardens for the purposes of people's choice voting, promotions and event awards.

Personal information you provide on this entry form is collected pursuant to the Community Charter, and will only be used for the purposes of this contest. Your personal information will not be released except in accordance with the Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act. Questions about the collection of your personal information may be referred to the Director of Corporate Services, 1229 Esquimalt Road, Esquimalt, BC V9A 3P1, 250-

414-7135.