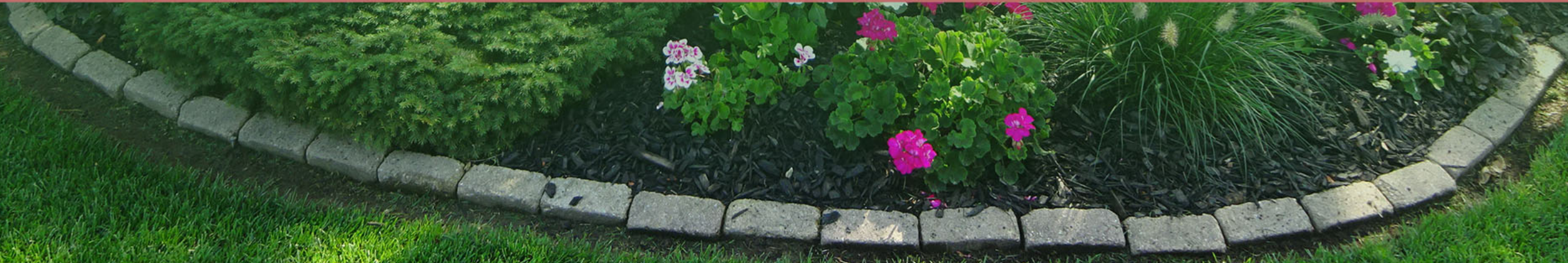


Trillium Awards Program





WELCOME

Trillium Volunteer Judges Training



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PROGRAM OVERVIEW

White Trillium Award

The White Trillium Award is for single residential front yard gardens across the City. There are 20 White Trillium Awards presented in each Ward with the exception of Ward 12 (Ancaster)

Pink Trillium Award

One Pink Trillium is awarded in each ward. The Pink Trillium winners are eligible for the Red Trillium Award

Red Trillium Award

One Red Trillium is awarded for the entire City of Hamilton, it is selected by a panel of judges who are invited to be a Red Judge

Community Trillium Award

Community Trillium Awards are awarded to industrial, commercial, institutional, small businesses, churches, schools, community centers, community gardens, apartment buildings and multi-residential properties across the City. Up to two CTA's can be awarded in each ward

IMPORTANT DATES

Welcome Judges Online Training Package

June 16

Trillium Judges and Ward Coaches Meet and Greet / Pick up Supplies / Links and assignments received verification / Questions

June 22 at 6:00 pm

White Trillium Award Judging

June 23 – July 14

Pink Trillium Award Judging

July 21 – July 31

Red Trillium Award Judging

August 10 – August 21

Celebration Event

October



NOMINATIONS

- The Trillium Awards Nominations are submitted online at www.hamilton.ca/trilliumawards
- Nominations are open from April 1 until to June 15, each year
- Nominations for Community Trillium Awards are to be submitted online at www.hamilton.ca/trilliumawards as well a special link will be provided to Judges, to send in nominations while you're out and about judging gardens

VOLUNTEER JUDGES & ASSIGNMENTS

EACH JUDGE WILL BE EMAILED A PERSONALIZED LINK WHICH WILL INCLUDE THEIR WARD COACH CONTACT INFORMATION, GARDEN ASSIGNMENTS, MAPPING AND SCORECARDS, SEE THE EMAIL EXAMPLE BELOW!

Hamilton Trillium Judge!

We're so excited to see you later tonight at 5:30 at the Meet and Greet! Please be sure to review the Judges Toolkit on our website, your link and attached assignments before coming to the meeting.

Here is Your personalized link:

<https://spatialolutions.maps.arcgis.com/apps/dashboards/66fab59ee60f4fb398317e357ac5cae5#Judge=Yasmeen%20Minocher>

Remember, you must pick up your Judging supplies which consist of Public Nomination Cards and your Judging button, if you cannot make the meeting, you will need to get in touch with either your Ward Coach or the Community Liaison to make other arrangements to get your supplies.

If you cannot complete your assignments, for any reason, you must notify your Ward Coach and the Community Liaison, right away, if you do not contact, you jeopardize being a judge in future years

VOLUNTEER JUDGES & ASSIGNMENTS

Judges, when you click on your link, you will see your assignments on the Map, see the example below. Be sure to scroll all the way, to ensure that you do not miss an address.

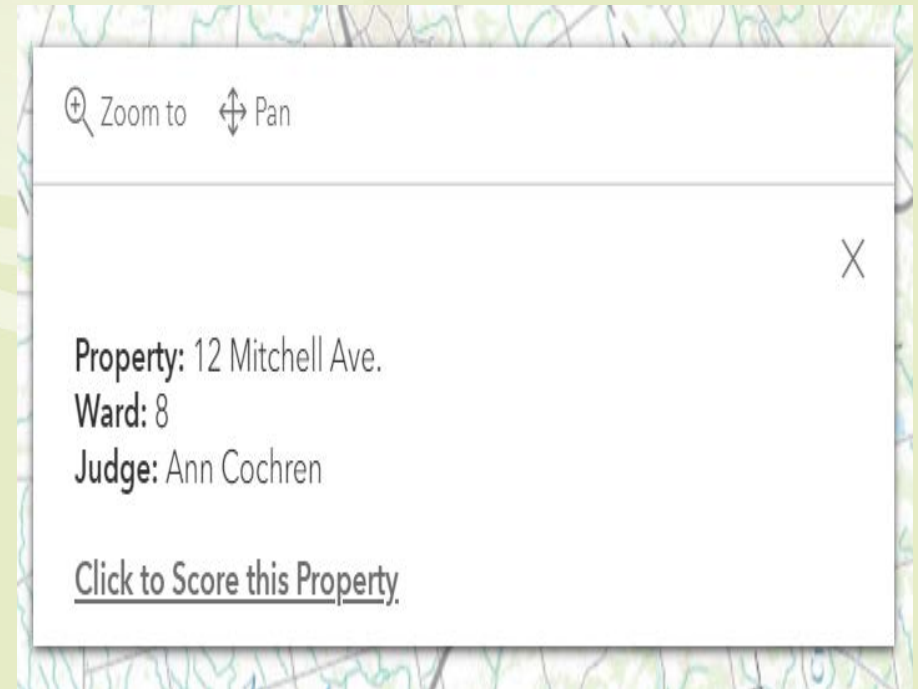


ICONS AND POP-UP WINDOW

Judges when you click on the icon / which is a mapped garden, a pop-up window will appear, you will see more information, if it is labelled Public Nomination, you must leave a Public Nomination Card in the mail box. See link to the scorecard for this garden (Click to Score this Property), see examples below




CONGRATULATIONS
your Garden has been nominated
for a Hamilton Trillium Award



ONLINE SCORECARD

Judges click on Score this Property, when you click on it, a Scorecard will appear, along with a property reference photo. You must complete these online one at a time and hit submit. See the example below.

Trillium Awards Judging Scorecard



Volunteer judges will review nominated gardens and use the following judging criteria to score them. Top Scoring gardens will be awarded different levels of the Trillium Award - White, Pink and Red.

Judging Criteria [Click here to see specific criteria for each section.](#)

Scorecard Details

Judging Components

Curb Appeal

Judging Components

Curb Appeal
Exterior looks inviting, welcoming and attractive - Property creates a good first impression - Property catches your attention immediately*

-Please select

Landscape Maintenance: Softscape/Hardscape
Softscape comprises live horticultural elements, ornamental grasses, and naturalization of plants and shrubs. - Hardscape refers to a built environment*

-Please select

Landscape Maintenance: Trees, Evergreen & Shrubs
Pruned, shaped and maintained*

-Please select

Landscape Design: Rhythm/Sequence
Smooth blending of different elements - Garden is one unified scene - Property has year-round appeal*

-Please select

Landscape Design: Focal Area
Plants or structural elements that accent a given area - Can be achieved using an entryway, front door or a certain location in the garden such as a pond, fountain, arbour, birdbath, pots, rockery or stairway*

-Please select

Total Score

1/2

Submit



JUDGING....

The Philosophy of Judging:

- Judges are encouraged to look for gardens that feature native species and plants that support pollinators, healthy ecology, wise water use, ie. rain barrels
- Judges should look for innovation, new design and new additions
- All gardens are to be judged whether professionally landscaped or owner maintained
- If you see White or Pink Trillium Awards from previous years please judge those gardens according to the current Judging Criteria
- Be aware of environmental conditions (well water/heat/construction/garbage day etc.)
- Utilize the virtual tools and attachments to help you make your decision



A FEW REMINDERS....

BEFORE YOU SET OUT TO JUDGE REMEMBER

- If by mistake you have been assigned your own garden, you must inform your Ward Coach, as you cannot judge your own garden
- Review your nominations as per the instructions you receive (emailed link with mapping)
- Judging takes place between June 23 - July 14, and every nomination must be scored online
- Small gardens compared to big gardens, inner City compared to rural, must be evaluated not only on Horticultural Excellence, but also Citizen Engagement, Effort and Equity
- Score each nominated garden, once submitted it cannot be changed
- The Top 20 highest scores in each ward will receive a White Trillium Award and be considered for a Pink Trillium Award

WHEN YOU'RE OUT AND ABOUT....

When Judging:

- Ensure you review all of your assigned gardens, map out your route before leaving, use MapQuest <https://www.mapquest.com/>
- Only judge what you see from the street / public view perspective / do not walk on the property or go up the driveway, you must remain on public property, sidewalk or street
- Judging Townhouse Complexes, if they receive Municipal Garbage Service, we can judge them if they don't, they're considered private laneways and we can't judge them, unless they're outer facing units onto a public facing sidewalk or road
- Look at garden from several angles
- Use the Online Scorecard link, attachments and virtual tools to help you
- Be on the look out for Community Trillium award nominations. Submit online www.hamilton.ca/trilliumawards
- Problems, inconsistencies, have questions? Contact your Ward Coach Or email the Community Liaison Coordinator at trilliumawards@hamilton.ca

JUDGING TRAINING CHECKLIST

- Review PowerPoint Training Presentation and Video
- Practice opening photos, Judging Criteria and Scorecard
- Visit and review our website www.hamilton.ca/trilliumawards
- Check out the Online Judges Toolkit, on our website
- Review MapQuest Tutorial and practice using the mapping app.
- Plan to attend the Meet and Greet to pick up your Judging supplies
- Be sure to have your Ward Coaches contact information with you while out judging
- When out judging, stay on public property and wear your Judges Button
- Deliver Public Nomination Cards for all Public Nominations, labelled on scorecard
- Remember to track your volunteer hours, send total hours to Trillium email
- Complete an end of year program survey / feedback form
- Be sure to share feedback
- And most importantly, have fun and enjoy the gardens

MEET AND GREET

It is important for all Volunteers and Judges to attend the Meet and Greet

The purpose of the Meet and Greet is to pick up your judging materials (Public Notification Cards and Judges Button), meet your Ward Coach and Team and ask any questions you may have.

Before coming to the Meet and Greet, be sure to review all of the training materials, review the Trillium website and Judges Toolbox, open your email and see the judges link to your assignments and please practice using the MapQuest Ap, this will save you lots of time!

Each year the Meet and Greet location may rotate from West, Central and East, the meeting will be outside in a Park location with Pavilions, restrooms and water fountains. Be sure to come prepared, bring a notepad, pen, a reusable water bottle, sunscreen and your questions.



JUDGING CRITERIA

Volunteer judges will review nominated gardens in each ward and use the following judging criteria to score them:

- Curb appeal
- Softscape & hardscape
- Annuals and perennials
- Trees, evergreens and shrubs
- Property maintenance
- Landscape design principles
- Landscape design elements

Judging criteria to be viewed online at: www.hamilton.ca/trilliumawards

SCORE THESE GARDENS

PRACTICE USING A DRAFT SCORECARD AND THE CRITERIA





CURB APPEAL

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The attractiveness of the property from the street

Does it grab your attention?

Does it stand out as an exceptional landscape?

Does the exterior look inviting & welcoming?

Is there?

- Innovation or New design
- Healthy Ecology
- Wise Water Use
- Exterior decor
- Colour scheme
- Extensive attention to landscaping
- Potential year round interest

LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

SOFTSCAPE/HARD SCAPE

Softscape comprises of:

- Live horticultural elements
- Ornamental grasses
- Naturalize or butterfly gardens
- Pollinators or native species
- Groundcover such as moss/ivy
- Edged and maintained sod

Hardscape comprises of:

- Stones/rocks/pavers
- Artificial enhancements may be present
- Mulches
- Water elements



LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

FLOWERS

Flowers should be:

- Annuals and Perennials
- Pollinators and Native Species
- Well maintained – healthy colours & foliage
- Is there a colour scheme
- Proper size and proportion for the garden and containers/planters





LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

TREES, EVERGREENS & SHRUBS

Trees, Evergreens & shrubs:

- Well maintained – no deadwood or damaged branches
- Pruned/shaped



LANDSCAPE MAINTENANCE

PROPERTY MAINTENANCE

Property is maintained:

- Walkways, driveway, porch and fences all in good order
- Landscape compliments structure
- Overall good appearance



LANDSCAPE DESIGN

UNITY/HARMONY

Principles:

- Repetition of elements (shrubs, plants, colours)
- Added items fit – benches, water features, fences



LANDSCAPE DESIGN

BALANCE

Principles:

- Can be symmetrical or asymmetrical
- Is your eye attracted to both sides of the property



LANDSCAPE DESIGN

SCALE/PROPORTION

Principles:

- Size of an object in relation to the house or property
- Size of parts of the design in relation to each other



LANDSCAPE DESIGN

RHYTHM/SEQUENCE

Principles:

- Blending of different elements
- One unified scene
- Does it have year round appeal?



LANDSCAPE DESIGN

FOCAL AREA

Principles:

- Plants or structural elements that compliment garden
- Entry way, pond, water features, arbour, bird bath, pots, stairways, murals and colours



TRILLIUM JUDGES VIDEO



<https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=WQ0x740oz0Q>



THANK YOU

Your contribution is greatly appreciated
We hope you enjoy your judging experience!