



## Growing to Green Award Entry Form

Franklin Park Conservatory is proud to present the 2011 Growing to Green Awards. The purpose of these awards is to honor community gardeners for improving neighborhoods across the region. Applications will be accepted from all citizens of the greater Columbus area who wish to receive recognition or nominate a group or individual for participation in exceptional community gardening or neighborhood beautification projects. Community members chosen by the Conservatory will judge all submissions. All entries must be received no later than 5 p.m. on Monday, August 1, 2011. The awards ceremony will be held at Franklin Park Conservatory on August 25, 2011 from 6 – 9 p.m. To enter, forward this application form and images of your chosen project to:

Franklin Park Conservatory, 2011 Growing to Green Awards, c/o Bill Dawson, Program Coordinator  
1777 East Broad Street, Columbus, OH 43203-2040

### Guidelines

1. You must complete this entire entry form. Incomplete entries will not be judged for the awards.
2. Entries will not be returned and will become the property of Franklin Park Conservatory. Your entry gives the Conservatory permission to use the images provided in promoting the awards and Growing to Green.
3. Include at least three and no more than six images that best represent the benefits of your project. (digital images only)
4. Some of your images should include people using the space to show scale and function.
5. Photos of the project in progress, including before and after completion, are helpful in showing the work put into the project as well as its overall improvement.
6. Be sure to attach a written description of the images and answer all the questions on this application in full. The images should support your responses.
7. If you have any questions about the Growing to Green Awards, call 614.645.5952.

Entry Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Entry Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Person: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: (Daytime) \_\_\_\_\_ (Evening) \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_ Number of people involved in the project: \_\_\_\_\_

#### Categories (Please check ONE):

- Community Garden of the Year** Awarded to a neighborhood gardening project for beautification and/or food production. An award of \$500 will be given to the top garden in this category.
- Education Garden of the Year** Awarded to a school or other organization that utilizes garden projects for educational purposes. An award of \$500 will be given to the top garden in this category.
- Community Gardener of the Year** Awarded to a person who is exceptionally dedicated to his/her neighborhood garden and/or the movement of community gardening in Central Ohio. An award of \$250 will be given to the winner in this category, to be applied toward his/her community gardening project.
- Neighborhood Improvement Project of the Year** Awarded to a park, gateway, streetscape, school, or other community beautification project. An award of \$250 will be given to the project that does the most to benefit the surrounding community.
- Paul B. Redman Youth Leadership Award** Presented by the Franklin Park Conservatory Women's Board, this award is given to an outstanding youth gardener 18 years or younger. An award of \$250 will be made available for the youth to further his/her education and interest in gardening, or to make improvements in his/her community garden.
- Sustainability Award** Presented by the American Community Gardening Association, this award is given to a garden that is utilizing sustainable community gardening practices including: community building activities, sustainable garden design, utilization of green practices (such as rain barrels, etc) and has proven sustainable over the long term. An award of \$250 and a Garden Cart (approximate value \$250) from Gardeners Supply Company will be awarded to further advance the sustainability of his/her community garden.

**Image Descriptions:**

Image #1

Image #2

Image #3

Image #4

Image #5

Image #6

1. In 300 words or less, describe your goals for this project.
2. In 300 words or less, explain the unique features or ideas that represent the character and identity of this project.
3. In 300 words or less, relate the challenges that occurred in completing this project and how you overcame them.
4. In 300 words or less, site specific examples of how this project has positively impacted the community.

Please continue your responses on a separate page. Photocopies may be made of this form.

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