



Mayor Michelle Wu's

# GARDEN CONTEST



A citywide celebration of  
urban gardening.

Entry Deadline: Wednesday, July 9, 2025

Judges Visit Gardens: Week of July 28th

Awards Ceremony: Late August

CITY of **BOSTON**

[boston.gov/garden-contest](https://boston.gov/garden-contest)



Parks and Recreation

## CATEGORIES (Check only ONE)

- ☐ Porch, Balcony, or Container Garden
- ☐ Shade Garden
- ☐ Small Yard Garden (250 sq. ft. or less)
- ☐ Medium Yard Garden (250 - 500 sq. ft.)
- ☐ Large Yard Garden (larger than 500 sq. ft.)
- ☐ Community Garden (individual plot)
- ☐ Vegetable or Herb Garden
- ☐ Age Strong Garden Category (Senior 65 & older)
- ☐ Storefront, Organization, or Main Street District Garden
- ☐ Pollinator Garden (**NEW!**)

Gardener's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Organization: \_\_\_\_\_

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

Neighborhood: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone #: \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Garden Address if different than above: \_\_\_\_\_

## JUDGING CRITERIA:

General appeal and neatness

Natural or formal layout

Use of color

Plant material

Variety & quality of plants

Sustainable features & methods used

Garden hardware, furnishings & art

*We prefer applications submitted  
online. Paper submission forms  
available upon request*

**\*\*MUST BE A BOSTON RESIDENT**

**AMATEUR GARDENERS ONLY**

**CITY OF BOSTON EMPLOYEES AND THEIR IMMEDIATE**

**FAMILY ARE NOT ELIGIBLE**

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Completed applications with photos can be mailed to:

Garden Contest - 3rd Floor

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Boston, MA 02118