



BEST LAND RECLAMATION AWARD
 Presented by THE BUTCHART GARDENS
 Successful reclamation and restoration of
 any site to create a new public park, garden or green space



Name of Park, Garden or Green Space (Please PRINT all information)			
Community Name			
Community Contact		Position / Title	
Address		Province	Postal Code
Phone	Fax	Cell Phone	
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Email		Community Website Address	

The Butchart Gardens Award is open to:

All Canadian communities participating in the 2010 Provincial or National Editions of Communities in Bloom. There is no registration fee.

The award will be presented during the Communities in Bloom National Awards Ceremonies on October 29th or 30th in Halifax, Nova Scotia.

Submission must consist of:

- Completed registration form (*by September 7th*)
- 3 photos (digital .jpg, high resolution, i.e. 300 dpi at standard print size) (*by Sept. 7th*)
- Document (maximum of 2 - 8.5" x 11" typed pages) addressing (*by Sept. 7th*)
 - Overall description of the project and how it has added to the quality of life in the community
 - Inclusion of horticulture and floral garden components
 - Innovations in design and or implementation of the project
 - Identification of community involvement
 - Relation to the Communities in Bloom program
- (Optional) Supporting materials which best represent the criteria, which could include: (*by Sept. 7th*)
 - Photos, video clips, newspaper clippings [include the source, date and page]
 - Newsletters or other community communication or promotion documents
 - Website/page URL

Entry material must be submitted (by mail or email) to Communities in Bloom at the address below.

➔ Completed Registration Form and Submission Package

must be received by 5pm, September 7 2010.

Entries received after that date will not be accepted.



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CRITERIA

Eligibility

The park/garden/green space will have been an area for which the community was looking for new perspectives. Such as, but not limited to:

- Reclaimed land such as a former quarry, dumpsite, or mine transformed to parkland for recreation or education purposes;
- Industrial land, such as brownfields, that have been decontaminated and developed as a park
- Waterfront park developed on industrial land
- Vacant wasteland or underutilized open space

History

The submission must present the history of the site and the garden / park / green space:

- What was the land use prior to reclamation?
- Why did it need reclamation?
- What were the challenges in the reclamation?

Sustainability

The submission must demonstrate how this reclamation will be sustainable.

Design

- What was the design intent?
- Is it inclusive and accessible for all ages and abilities?

Horticulture and landscape design:

- Discuss existing and new vegetation such as native plants
- Discuss water conservation considerations such as xeriscape gardens or use of reclaimed water
- Discuss quality of maintenance
- Discuss beautification elements and goals

Effect on the community

- potential of use after reclamation such as natural park, sports complex, nature centre, etc.
- interface with public and private areas.
- Explain community participation (municipal, commercial/industrial, service groups/citizens)
- Discuss economic benefits

SELECTION PROCESS

A panel of Communities in Bloom judges will select the winner based on the submission's relevance to the criteria.