

2016 Westlake in Bloom Entry Form

All Information Below is REQUIRED

Your name (This is how your name will appear on the award, should you win in your category – please print clearly):

Your mailing address: _____

Daytime phone number: _____

Address of property to be judged: _____

This is the same address as my mailing address written above.

Email Address: _____

This will be used to send out updates regarding judging and ceremony information.

TO ENTER: Check the box for the category you are entering. Mail this entry form to: Westlake in Bloom, Westlake City Hall, 27700 Hilliard Boulevard, Westlake, OH 44145. Or you may drop off your entry at Westlake City Hall, Reception Desk, 27700 Hilliard Boulevard. **The deadline to enter is Friday, July 1, 2016, at 5 p.m.** To be eligible for judging, your entry **must** be received by the deadline date and time.

Entry Categories

Residential Landscaping of yard (specify front yard or rear yard, or you may enter in both front and rear yard if you wish. *(Note: if you select both front and rear yards they will be judged separately):*

Front yard only Rear yard only Both (Front and Rear Yard)

Patio and Abutting Garden

Shade Garden (area of your yard that is planted with shade plants)

Vegetable Garden

Window Box(es)

Apartment/Condominium/Nursing Home/Assisted Living/Independent Living facility entrance

Name of facility: _____

Business/Hotel/Motel

Name of facility: _____

Place of Worship/Institutional/Quasi-Public/Public place

Name of facility: _____

2016 WESTLAKE IN BLOOM COMPETITION

Enter Today!

Join in celebrating the beautiful gardens of Westlake by entering the city's annual Westlake in Bloom Competition. Just use the entry form on the back of this letter. Entries will be judged on July 11-13th from 9 a.m. until 5 p.m – weather permitting.

First, second, third place awards will be selected in all categories that meet the minimum scores listed below. Every Hilliard Boulevard flower box, Evergreen Cemetery memorial fence garden and Adopt-a-Bed garden will be entered automatically in the judging.

Everyone who enters will receive an invitation to the 2016 Westlake in Bloom Appreciation Reception and Awards Ceremony, planned for Wednesday, August 10th at LaCentre Conference and Banquet Facility, where the winners will be announced.

I look forward to celebrating with you in August.

Dennis M. Clough, Mayor

Program Rules and Details

* Deadline for entries is 5 p.m., Friday, July 1st. You may mail your entry to Westlake in Bloom, Westlake City Hall, 27700 Hilliard Boulevard, Westlake, OH 44145, or drop it off at the reception desk at City Hall. To be eligible for judging, your entry must be received by the deadline date and time.

***NEW THIS YEAR:** You may **NOT** enter someone else's property.

* Awards will recognize first, second, third place in all categories with 5 or more entries. In categories with fewer than five entries, judges will determine the number of awards. Some categories of Residential Landscaping may be combined when determining winners.

* All Hilliard Boulevard flower boxes will be entered in the category: "Hilliard Boulevard Flower Box." If you have adopted a box, you do **not** need to send in an entry form.

* All Evergreen Memorial Fence gardens will be entered in the category: "Evergreen Memorial Fence Garden." If you have adopted a fence garden, you do **not** need to send in an entry form.

* All Adopt-a-Bed gardens will be entered in the category: "Adopt-a-Bed Garden." If you sponsor an Adopt-a-Bed garden, you do **not** need to send in an entry form.

* Your entry will be judged between 9 a.m. and 5 p.m. by a two-person team on one of the following days: June 27-29th. Since judges' schedules may vary, you will not receive notification of a specific date and time for evaluating your property. Judges will leave a door hanger message after their visit.

* Judges will base their scoring on the following criteria:

Overall effect of garden design	40 points
Overall quality of plant materials	30 points
Originality	10 points
Maintenance	<u>20 points</u>
Total possible	100 points

*Winners are determined in each category as follows:

First Place: highest score.
Second Place: second highest score.
Third Place: third highest score.

* Winners will be notified by August 5th and will receive their awards at the Westlake in Bloom Appreciation Reception, August 10th at LaCentre Banquet and Conference Center, 25777 Detroit Road. Everyone who enters will receive an invitation to the reception.

*Past winners are eligible to enter.

* By submitting this application, you are giving the city permission to photograph your landscaping.

* Questions? Please contact the Westlake Planning and Economic Development Department, 440-617-4305.