



Guildford in Bloom

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Guildford in Bloom Competition

The Guildford in Bloom Competition is open to anyone who loves gardening and wants to help make Guildford a beautiful place to live, work and visit.

How to get involved

Entries must be received by Sunday 19 June 2016; simply choose a category, you can enter only one category per household or business; you can also choose to theme your entry; email your entry details to parks@guildford.gov.uk or complete the form on the back of this leaflet and return to Guildford Borough Council; judging takes place between 4 – 22 July; it is not possible to advise individual entrants of the exact day and time of judging (with the exception of the vegetable/kitchen, wildlife gardens and neighbourhood project categories); judges will not be available to discuss individual entries; the judges decision is final; winners will be notified by email and invited to the awards ceremony which takes place on 14 September 2016; a list of winners will be published on our website; photographs of your garden may be used for marketing purposes.

Diary Dates 2016

30 May 2016	Surrey County Show, Stoke Park
31 May 2016	Blooming School Competition entry closes
4 June 2016	Picnic in the Castle Grounds – Unveiling of the flower beds and entertainment from the bandstand Plant for the Queen's 90th Birthday - A free potting workshop
19 June 2016	Guildford in Bloom Competition entry closes
22 June 2016	School Awards
4 – 22 July 2016	Competition Judging
14 September 2016	Award Ceremony

Categories



- Pick one category
- Decide to theme or not to theme
- Email your details or post the entry form
- Prepare your garden for judging

Best Front Garden

Your garden must be visible to the public from the footpath. It will be judged on design, colour, quality of plants and all year round interest. Gardens will be divided into a small or large category. Category sponsored by Residential Property Search.

Best Allotment

Judged on the variety and quality of vegetables grown, evidence of good horticultural practice, use of space and sustainable management. All plots entered must have the plot number clearly on display.

Best Garden for Wildlife

Open to all gardens including businesses where the design, choice of plants and management is especially welcoming to wildlife.

Best Pub in Bloom

New for 2016. We are looking for the best Pub in Bloom. A well balanced design, good use of colour and quality planting will score high marks. Category sponsored by Pub Watch.

Best Container Garden

Open to balconies and gardens that are based on pots and baskets. Must be visible to the public.

Best Vegetable/ Kitchen Garden

Judges will be looking for variety and quality of vegetables as well as good use of space and sustainable management.

Best Neighbourhood Project

This category recognises projects that green up the local area and include those organised by sheltered accommodation, village halls, residents associations, parish councils, voluntary groups and charities etc. Judges will be looking for good design, colour and plant quality as well as input from residents or the community.

Innovation in Horticulture

This is a new category for 2016. We are looking for new or improved gardening techniques or product design. Do you have a new vision for a facet of horticulture? Perhaps you have designed a tool or adapted standard gardening methods or discovered a new way of controlling horticultural pests or created a new aid for growing plants. This is an exciting opportunity for you to promote your innovative ideas.

Special Themed Award in memory of Dorothy Walden

This year our Guildford in Bloom theme is the Queen's 90 Birthday. If your entry (from the list above) is themed then you can also enter to win this special award.



Entry Form

Entries must be received by 19 June 2016

Email your entry details to the Guildford in Bloom Coordinator at
parcs@guildford.gov.uk

Alternatively, complete the entry form and send it to:
Guildford Borough Council, Parks & Leisure Services
Stoke Park Nursery, Nightingale Road, Guildford, GU1 1ER

Category (one per household)		
Theme	<input type="checkbox"/>	(tick if you would like your entry considered for the themed award)
Name		
Contact Address		
	Post Code	
Telephone Number		
Email Address		
Address of Site to be Judged (if different from above)		
	Post Code	

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