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## Edmonton yards flourish in front of VIP judges

The 2015 Front Yards in Bloom VIP Judges' Tour is in full swing with judges touring the six finalists chosen from a record-breaking number of nominated yards.

Edmonton's Front Yards in Bloom program has become a staple in the region and its success continues to grow year after year. Each yard has its own story to tell and these creative gardens brighten up the communities where we work, live and play.



The VIP Judging Committee is comprised of partners, sponsors and supporters of the Front Yards in Bloom program including the Edmonton Realtors' Association, the Edmonton Federation of Community Leagues, the Edmonton Horticultural Society and the Canadian Union of Postal Workers Edmonton.

The committee will visit all sixfinalists and will select the first, second and third place winners. All six finalists will be recognized at the Edmonton in Bloom Awards on August 12. The top sixyards will also compete for the Reader's Choice Award, a poll that will be open the first week of August through the Edmonton Journal. More than 100 volunteers helped to distribute the thousands of nomination signs in four categories: General, Natural, Edible and Public Spaces.

Front Yards in Bloom is a recognition program that celebrates the beauty and vibrancy of Edmonton's neighbourhoods. Founded in 1999, the program continues to grow each year and is the biggest of its kind nationwide.

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