

## **News Release**

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## Bloomin' with pride

## Pick of the crop revealed at Edmonton in Bloom Awards

Every year, thousands of hours are put in by hardworking residents, volunteer organizations, schools and businesses to beautify our communities and make them more welcoming, livable and vibrant. The City celebrated these dedicated individuals and groups at the annual Edmonton in Bloom awards held last night



"The ceremony celebrates Edmontonians who took the time to beautify our city through gardening, forestry, cleaning up litter, nominating Front Yards, and volunteering. It is recognition well deserved for all their hard work in making Edmonton a blooming city," said Councillor Mke Nickel.

Over 4,000 nominations were received in the Front Yards category this year, up by 500 from 2014. The pick of the crop according to this year's national judges are:

- 1st Place: 4624 106 Avenue

- 2nd Place: 36 St. George's Crescent
  3rd Place: 7 Westridge Road
  Honourable Mention: 9023 138 Street
  Honourable Mention: 12335 131 Street
  Honourable Mention: 15612 98 Street

View the winning Front Yards at Edmonton.ca/FYIBWinners.

Other Edmonton in Bloom award recipients are:

- Business in Bloom Award: Landscape Alberta Nursery Trades Association
   Community Garden Award: Fulton Place Sunshine Garden
   Fruit Hero Award: Norwood School Grade 3 Class
   Naturescapes Award: Windsor Park Elementary School and Elmwood Elementary School
   Partners in Parks Award: Beatrice Yakubow and John Helder
- Tidiness Award: Cathy Backewich and Inglewood Business Association
  Urban Forestry Award: Jeff Schurek
  Waste Reduction Hero Award: Herb Gale

Edmonton has been a part of the national Communities in Bloom program since its inception in 1995.

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