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The 2014 Wilmington City Gardens People's Choice Tour

The Delaware Center for Horticulture invites garden lovers everywhere to mark their calendars for this year's Wilmington City Gardens Contest on Saturday, June 21, 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. The event is FREE, and there are lots of ways to enjoy it: be on the tour, be a guest of the tour, photograph it, judge it, or sponsor it!



For more than three decades, the City Gardens Contest has helped revitalize and beautify Wilmington neighborhoods, inspire civic pride, support local business and promote urban gardening. Two years ago, the format changed to include a public tour of the gardens, and last year, TheDCH made it a free event to all. Visitors can expect to see flower, container, water, wildlife, entrance, vegetable, business and community gardens.

The contest is open to all businesses, community organizations, gardening groups, and residents that reside within city limits. On tour day, industry experts visit gardens with teams of judges to choose winners in various categories, and guests enjoy a self-guided tour with a map coded by garden type. Guests are also encouraged to vote in the "People's Choice" awards. Winners are announced in a September celebration. **Application deadline to be featured on the tour is May 9, 2014.**



➤ Last year, more than 80 proud homeowners and businesses spiffed up their green spaces to share with hundreds of guests. [Click here](#) to see last year's winners.

➤ In early June, printed maps for the self-guided tour will be available at TheDCH, area retailers, and an electronic version will be available for download. [Click here](#) to see last year's map.

[Enter the contest here](#)
[Register to judge here](#)
[Click here](#) for information about photographing gardens and signing up

The Delaware Center for Horticulture cultivates a greener community; inspiring appreciation and improvement of our environment through horticulture, education and conservation. We create neighborhoods that are healthier, more attractive and ecologically sustainable. Our work includes community gardens, public landscapes, road-side beautification, tree programs, educational programs and community and membership events. The DCH is the only nonprofit membership organization that mobilizes and inspires community greening statewide in urban and suburban environments.



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