

## CITY GARDEN OF THE MONTH PROGRAM

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**WHAT IS IT?** A showcase for residential and business gardeners and gardens located within the City of Kaukauna with interesting and unique landscaping, hard-scaping, and/or garden art willing to open their space to the public for appreciation, conversation and education.

**HOW DO I PARTICIPATE?** Nominate a garden (yours or a friend's with their concurrence) by completing the attached application. Submit the information along with at least five pictures for the committee to get a feel for the nominated space. You will need to commit to opening your garden for two visitor sessions during your month – your choice of one Saturday from 9:00 a.m. to 11:00 a.m. and one weekday evening from 6:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. The dates you select for your visitor sessions will be posted on the City's social media sites and in the Times Villager along with an announcement of the monthly garden.

**WHEN DOES THIS HAPPEN?** One garden will be chosen for each of the months of June, July, August, September and October. The Garden of the Month designation will run from the first day of the month to the last day of the month. Garden of the Month awards will be made the last week of the preceding month.

Nominations can be submitted at any time but it does take a few days for the selection committee to review the photos and drive by the space. If you would like your garden to be considered for a specific month, please be sure to submit the nomination materials at least one week prior to the beginning of the month.

**WHO DECIDES?** The Garden of the Month honor will be determined by a committee of gardeners using information on the nomination form and a drive-by visit. If you are interested in serving on the committee or have questions on the Garden of the Month program, please contact Julie Schroeder at the City's Planning and Community Development Department at 920.766.6315 or [schroederj@kaukauna-wi.org](mailto:schroederj@kaukauna-wi.org).

**WHAT'S IN IT FOR ME?** Sharing your love of gardening and pride in your space and community! A temporary "Garden of the Month" sign will be placed in your front yard and pictures of your garden will be posted to the City's social media sites and included in an issue of the Times Villager. You will also receive a recognition certificate from the Mayor and \$20 in Farmer Bucks to be used at the Downtown Kaukauna Farmer's Market.

**WHY?** Our hope is that this program will promote awareness of the City and its unique spaces, increase pride in ownership for both residents and business owners, and spur a spirit of volunteerism within our community and a sense of responsibility toward our public spaces.



## GARDEN OF THE MONTH NOMINATION FORM

Garden Location (address): \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Owner Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Name (if different): \_\_\_\_\_

Nominator Phone Number: \_\_\_\_\_ Nominator Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Emphasis on (Check All That Apply):

- Landscaping (Plants)
- Hardscaping (Gazebo, Patio)
- Garden Art
- Other: \_\_\_\_\_

Preferred Month (Check All That Apply):

- June
- July
- August
- September
- October
- Any Month

Brief Description of Space and/or Garden Theme: \_\_\_\_\_

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Please include a minimum of five pictures of the garden to give the selection committee a feel for the space.

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Signature of Nominator/Owner      Date

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Signature of Owner (if applicable)      Date

Please return completed form, along with photos of the garden, to Julie Schroeder at the City of Kaukauna Planning Department, 201 West Second Street, PO Box 890, Kaukauna, WI 54130 or to [schroederj@kaukauna-wi.org](mailto:schroederj@kaukauna-wi.org).