



Grosse Pointe Garden Center, Inc.
2024 Trial Gardens Competition Evaluation Form

Judge: _____

Evaluation Date: June _____, 2024

There are four main categories to be evaluated; please use a 5-point system with 5 being excellent, 4 very good, 3 average, 2 below average, and 1 poor. Half-points are allowed. For each main category, first assign your points in all sub-categories, then add those points and enter your total on the first line of each respective main category.

Garden Club: _____

1. Theme interpretation: total category points awarded _____

- a. _____ Creativity and interpretation of "A Butterfly Garden" theme. (June only)
- b. _____ Unity and balance of design.
- c. _____ Spatial awareness within the design and with the plot size and shape.
- d. _____ Overall impression/impact of the design.

2. Construction and Design Elements: total category points awarded _____

- a. _____ The use of hardscape/accessories to enhance (but not overwhelm) the design. (June only)
- b. _____ Overall construction and scale of each design element in relation with plot shape and size.
- c. _____ Endurance and longevity of design elements and continued appropriateness and effectiveness.

3. Horticultural elements: total category points awarded _____

- a. _____ Sun/shade appropriateness of plant selections.
- b. _____ Variety and creativity in use of plant materials selected for the design.
- c. _____ Use of interesting color combinations, sizes, textures, and height variations.
- d. _____ Required elements: 1) a water source for butterflies 2) a milkweed plant, 3) an herb, 4) a shrub, 5) nectar-rich plants to attract butterflies, and 6) multiple varieties of annuals. (June only)

4. Maintenance: total category points awarded _____

- a. _____ Ivy trimming
- b. _____ Weeding
- c. _____ Deadheading
- d. _____ Overall upkeep and maintained appearance (exclusive of design).

Judges' Comments: Clubs appreciate your feedback, they never see the points you assign and rely on your comments.