

# ENTER NOW. Contest runs April 22 - July 6!



The 6th annual community-wide contest to create beautiful landscapes and streetside gardens throughout central Illinois

Name of gardener / Project Contact \_\_\_\_\_  
Business / Organization Name \_\_\_\_\_  
My neighborhood association is: \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_  
City / Zip \_\_\_\_\_  
Phone #1 \_\_\_\_\_ Phone #2 \_\_\_\_\_  
Email: \_\_\_\_\_

**Choose a category:** (all projects must be visible from the street)

\_\_\_ Springfield \_\_\_ Outside Springfield

- Residential (single-family residence)
- Business
- Neighborhood group (involving common ground or multiple addresses)
- Non-profit (churches, schools, other)

THIS IS A MAKEOVER PROJECT Category from above: \_\_\_\_\_  
(Makeover projects require significant visible improvements plus before and after photos)

I am nominating a garden that is not my own.  
My name and phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Project description:** Tell us about your project, special plants or other important details.  
List the names / address of multiple persons or properties involved. Add additional sheets as necessary.

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I agree to display a yard sign and allow the property address and pictures of this project to be displayed online and in print for the purposes of this contest.

\_\_\_\_\_ date \_\_\_\_\_

## How to participate in 2010:

- **Enter:** One entry form per project unless it is a community neighborhood efforts with multiple locations involved.
- **Project photos:** We must receive at least two photographs of each entered project before July 6th. (take your pictures when your project looks its best.) Digital prints can be emailed to info@springfieldinbloom.org. Full color prints should be mailed or delivered to SIB host office (see below) Your name, address and phone must be on the back of prints or with the email and should clearly indicate the name of association or property address where the project is being done. Photos will not be returned.
- **Makeover projects** involve extensive changes and can be in any category. Contestants must submit 2 before and 2 after photos showing different angles of the project.
- **Yard sign:** Every project must display a SIB yard sign and only projects entered in the contest will be provided with a sign. Bring completed application to SIB host office (see below) to get a sign.
- **Deadline** to enter is 5pm on Tuesday, July 6th.
- **Judging:** Projects will be judged by a panel of qualified judges. (There will be no public voting.) Judges will visit those 'finalists' projects between July 10-24.
- **Criteria:** This is a friendly competition designed to encourage beautification. The judges are not looking for the most expensive garden; they are looking for use of color and creativity, the impact on the property/street. They'll consider how well it is designed, planted and maintained; please share any special challenges you faced or environmentally significant practices you're employing in the garden.
- **Prizes:** Gift certificates will be awarded to first, second and third place winners in each category.
- **Eligibility:** SIB is open to all residents, businesses and organizations in the greater Springfield area. Winners in the 2009 contest and sponsors may participate but they are not eligible to win prizes.
- **An awards ceremony** will take place in early August. All entrants are invited to attend.

**Springfield in Bloom host office:**  
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**Deadline to enter: Tuesday, July 6, 5pm.**

- Office use
- Entry
  - Photo(s)
  - Posted online
  - Yard sign

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