

# 2009 GROWERS ENTRY FORM

Please complete this form to notify us of your intention to enter. You **MUST** also fill out a skid form for each entry submitted. **Please keep the skid form with the corresponding skid and bring it with the skid to the Auction. Do not separate form.** For more information, contact Kristen, ext 321 at 1-800-265-5656.

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COMPANY NAME

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## Please send me \_\_\_\_\_ Skid Forms

(One required for EACH entry)

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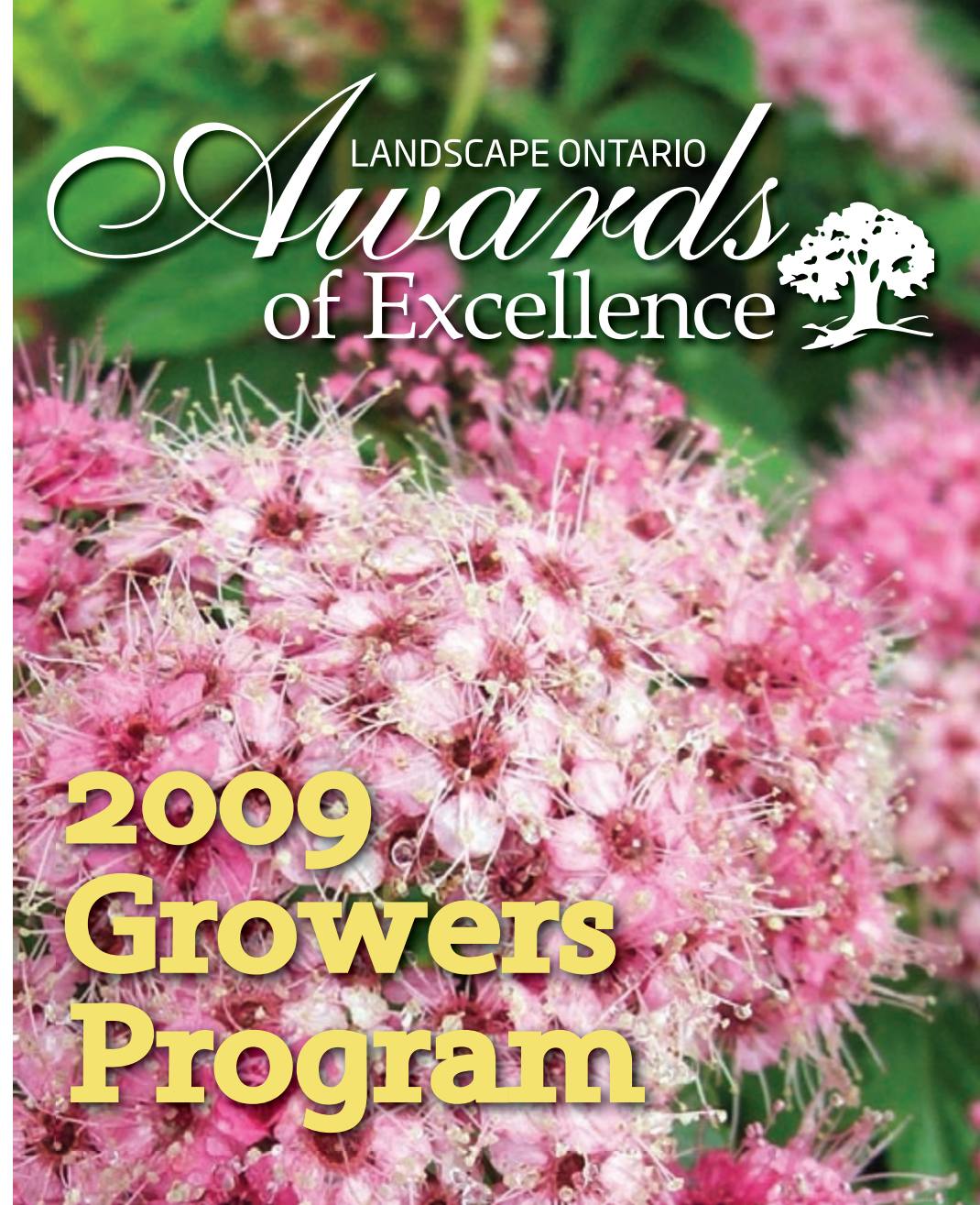
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**COMPLETE AND FAX TO 905-875-3942**



HORTICULTURAL TRADES ASSOCIATION  
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Held in conjunction with:  
LO Growers Research Auction  
Thursday, September 10, 2009  
Somerville Nurseries  
9045 Tandragee Rd, Loretto, ON

**Deadline: 4 p.m. September 4, 2009**  
Contact [awards@landscapeontario.com](mailto:awards@landscapeontario.com) or call Kristen, ext 321 at 1-800-265-5656



# LANDSCAPE ONTARIO *Awards* of Excellence

## 2009 Growers Program

### ENTRY GUIDELINES

- Only Landscape Ontario members are eligible to enter plant material
- There is no entry fee

### AWARD CATEGORIES:

1. Evergreens – Field Grown, Upright and Spreading
2. Evergreens – Container Grown, Upright and Spreading
3. Broadleaf Evergreens
4. Deciduous Shrubs
5. Deciduous Ornamental Trees – 300 cm or less
6. Deciduous Ornamental Trees – Top Grafted/Worked
7. Caliper Trees (Minimum of two specimens)
8. Vines and Groundcovers
9. Perennials
10. Unusual and Rare Plants (Worthy of attention, minimum of four specimens)
11. Design on a Skid (New!) Judges Choice Award: The judges will choose the best overall entry to receive this special award.

### PLANT MATERIAL GUIDELINES

**NOTE: All plant material entered will be auctioned off**

- Plant material must be Ontario-grown at your nursery for at least one year.
- Plant material should be finished and retail-ready (eg: for sale to a garden centre)
- Ensure the material is the correct size and type for the category entered and there are at least 5 of each size and type
- Sizes of plant material should be in metric units
- EACH skid of plant material entered for judging must have a skid form filled out. Use correct botanical nomenclature
- All plant material must be identified by botanical name as well as common name
- Finished sizes must be noted in metric units and sized according to the *Canadian Standards of Nursery Stock* (7th Edition) available from *Canadian Nursery Trades Association*
- Plant types may be mixed on a pallet as long as there are a minimum of five per type (exceptions: Category 7 – two specimens only and Category 10 – four specimens only)

- Plant material will be accepted at the facility on Wed., Sept. 9 from 10:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. and Thur., Sept. 10 from 8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. **ENTRIES WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED AFTER THAT TIME**

### PRESENTATION OF AWARDS

- Winners will be announced at the end of the auction
- A formal presentation of the award plaques will be held in conjunction with the Garden Centre Symposium luncheon on Oct. 19, 2009 during Garden Expo at the Toronto Congress Centre

### JUDGING CRITERIA

**NOTE: A skid form must be filled out for EACH skid of plant material entered for judging (will be mailed to you, if you fax in the last page)**

The judging form takes the following into consideration:

- **Presentation:** Impact of the plant material on the skid. Skids packed full have a very striking appearance
- **Plant Health:** Nutrition and freedom from pests and diseases
- **Root Development:** Judges do remove the pots and examine the root system. Marks are taken off where root balls fall apart (suggesting: overwatering, recent potting or poor management practices)
- **Tree Guards:** Please remove prior to judging. Judges examine the bark.
- **Recent pruning:** For shape is not favourable
- **Quality of plant material:** Uniformity in growth and habit, colour, lushness and density of growth
- **New introductions:** Interesting and exciting but it is the quality of the individual specimens and uniformity of the lot that matters most
- Awards will be given only to those entries worthy of attention as determined by the judges. All decisions are final
- Winners are not eligible to enter the same plant variety in the same category for two years; plants may be re-entered in the third year

## LO Growers Research Auction

Landscape Ontario's Growers Group invites you to attend their annual fundraising auction

**Thursday, September 10, 2009  
Somerville Nurseries**

**9045 Tandragee Rd, Loretto, ON**

Live judging of the award entries 9:00 a.m.-12:00 noon

Tours 10:30 a.m. • Lunch 11:45 a.m. • Live Auction 1:00 p.m.

Bid on top quality plant material in, while helping raise funds for research and scholarships.

**Help grow the horticulture industry!**

