Canada Blooms Announces Feature Garden Winners

Toronto, Ont. (March 23, 2012) – Feature Gardens are the highlight at the 16th edition of *Canada Blooms, the Flower and Garden Festival*, running from March 16 to 25, 2012 at the Direct Energy Centre, Exhibition Place. Many of these Feature Gardens have been presented with awards for their outstanding creations.

"The creativity of the garden builders impresses me more each year," said one of the Feature Garden judges. "I feel fortunate for the opportunity to view each garden in detail; I am constantly inspired and amazed by the imaginative designs."

"The Feature Gardens are really the show stoppers of Canada Blooms," said Colomba Fuller, artistic director for Canada Blooms. "These gardens exhibit some of the most imaginative and innovative trends of the new season, which is what Canada Blooms is all about."

The Feature Garden Award Winners are:

AWARD NAME	GARDEN	GARDEN NAME	BUILDER
The Sheridan Nurseries Award for Outstanding Garden, <i>Small Size</i>	14	Ethnography	DR. LANDSCAPE
The S.G. Ulbright Award for Outstanding Garden, <i>Medium Size</i>	31	Dinner Party	ALLWEATHER LANDSCAPE CO. LTD.
The Gordon A. MacEachern Award for Outstanding Garden, <i>Large Size</i>	38	Reclamation Restoration Regeneration	PARKLANE NURSERIES LTD.
Outstanding Interpretation of the Show Theme "CityCulture"	14	Ethnography	DR. LANDSCAPE
Outstanding Use of Innovative Elements in a Garden	30	Natural Progression	ORIOLE LANDSCAPING
Outstanding Use of Artistic Elements in a Garden	36A	Retro Revival - Royal Wood & Sarah Slean – JUNO Rocks	GREAT GARDEN REVIVAL
Outstanding Outdoor Entertainment Area	33	Playscape	BIENENSTOCK NATURAL PLAYGROUNDS/PARKS CANADA
Most Imaginative Garden Design Presented by AM 740	20	Surface Deep	REFORD GARDENS/ JARDINS DE METIS
Best Use of Bulbs Presented by TradeWinds International Sales Co.	25	Plug and Play	B SQ DESIGN
Outstanding Use of Interior Plants Presented by Brookdale Treeland Nurseries	4	A View From Above	PREMIER LANDSCAPING & DESIGN/JUDITH S. WRIGHT ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPE DESIGN BUILD
Outstanding Use of Annuals and/or Perennials Presented by Vanhof and Blokker	6B	Perfect Corner of Toronto	SWEETPEA'S
Outstanding Use of Water	19	Aqua Terra	GENOSCAPE
Outstanding Use of Natural Stone Presented by Beaver Valley Stone	2	Take Time To	MEMBERS OF LANDSCAPE ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL TRADES ASSOCIATION

Outstanding Use of Pre-Cast Pavers Presented by Permacon Group	9	Back to the Garden	LANDSCAPES BY LUCIN	
Outstanding Use of Structures	37	Urban Homestead	HUMBER COLLEGE	
Outstanding Use of Walkways	38	ReclamationRestoration Regeneration	PARKLANE NURSERIES LTD.	
Outstanding Outdoor Living Space	31	Dinner Party	ALLWEATHER LANDSCAPE CO. LTD.	
Outstanding Dramatic Use of Landscape Materials	10	International Garden of Taipei, Taiwan	ROYALTY LANDSCAPING/ RONALD HOLBROOK & ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INC.	
Outstanding Representation of Sponsor Message Presented by HUB Sinclair-Cockburn	8A	Canadian Cancer Society's Fight for Life Garden	MIYABI LANDSCAPE DESIGN & CONSTRUCTION	
The Garden Club of Toronto Award for Best Overall Use of Colour	2	Take Time To	MEMBERS OF LANDSCAPE ONTARIO HORTICULTURAL TRADES ASSOCIATION	
The W.E. Bridgeman Award for Best Overall Use of Hard Landscape Elements	31	Dinner Party	ALLWEATHER LANDSCAPE CO. LTD.	
The Humber Nurseries Award for Best Overall Use of Plant Material	6B	Perfect Corner of Toronto	SWEETPEA'S	
The Leslie L. Solty Memorial Award for Best Overall Creativity in Garden Design	27	Concrete Blooms Bursts	ECOMAN/VICTORIA TAYLOR LANDSCAPE	
The Landscape Ontario Award for Best Overall Quality of Workmanship	9	Back to the Garden	Landscapes by Lucin	

On Thursday, March 22, at a ticketed special event, Canada Blooms announced the 2012 winners for the Judges Choice Award for Best Overall Garden as well as the Evergreen Brick Works SEED (Society Education Environment and Design) Award, the Ontario Association of Landscape Architects (O.A.L.A.) Award of Excellence and the Universal Access Award, coordinated through the Advocate for People with Disabilities, Parks, Forestry and Recreation, City of Toronto.

O.A.L.A. Award of Excellence	10	International Garden of Taipei, Taiwan	ROYALTY LANDSCAPING/ RONALD HOLBROOK & ASSOCIATES LANDSCAPE ARCHITECTS INC.
Evergreen Brick Works S.E.E.D. Award	27	Concrete Blooms Bursts	ECOMAN/VICTORIA TAYLOR LANDSCAPE
Universal Access Award	38	ReclamationRestoration Regeneration	PARKLANE NURSERIES LTD.
The Canada Blooms Judges' Choice Award for Best Overall Garden	38	ReclamationRestoration Regeneration	PARKLANE NURSERIES LTD.

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