

Judging Criteria

Design

- Scope (*degree of difficulty*)
- Utilization of the theme
- Attention to details
- Overall appearance
- Creativity

Construction

- Degree of difficulty
- Execution of construction details
- Structural integrity
- Attention to drainage and finished grade
- Quality of installation

Materials

- Condition (*color, luster, free of insects & diseases*)
- Selection (*appropriateness of plant material*)
- Placement of plant material (*spacing*)
- Appropriate use of mulch
- Proper maintenance

Areas

(refer to map for building locations)

- Area 01** – Front of Youth Trailer, Inside Gate 4.
- Area 02** – Entrance to Beef Barn Sale Ring Area, Bldg. 18.
- Area 03** – Front of Farm and Garden, Bldg. 14A.
(2 Locations - a.left; b.right)
- Area 04** – Front of Poultry/Rabbit Barn, Bldg. 14.
(2 Locations - a.left; b.right)
- Area 05** – Front of Commercial Building, Bldg. 13.
- Area 06** – Side entrance under the grandstands, Bldg. 8.
- Area 07** – Entrance to the grandstands, Bldg. 7.
- Area 08** – Dairy Cattle Barns
(7 Locations - a.33; b.33; c.34; d.35; e.36; f.37; g.38)
- Area 09** – Front of Sheep Barn, Bldg. 27
(2 Locations - a. left; b. right)
- Area 10** – Equine Arena/Expo
(3 Locations - a. Equine Sign; b.& c. Equine Tent)
- Area 11** – Track Tunnel
(2 Locations - a. left; b. right)



2021 RUPPERT Landscape Contest

September 17-25, 2021

Theme:



Sponsored by:



797 E. Patrick St., Frederick, MD 21701
301.663.5895 – www.gffair.com/landscapecontest

Entry Rules

- Exhibits shall be educational as well as artistic.
- All entries must be made in advance. Areas are assigned on a first-come/first-serve basis. Entries will be closed when the allotted areas are assigned. Participants are encouraged to visit the sites before selecting. Please contact the Fair office at 301.663.5895 to schedule an appointment.
- Exhibit design will be based on the announced theme. Plant materials selected should relate to both the theme and season.
- Only areas outlined as part of the contest will be judged. Areas rented in commercial space or Machinery Row will not be included in the contest.
- Participants are welcome to include in the display a small holder for information or business cards but may not man the display with any spokesperson. If you are interested in the contest, but would like to have a spokesperson at the display, you must contact the Fair office to make these arrangements prior to the Fair.
- Optional* – Plant material may be labeled. Information & explanation (if any) must be readable to the general public from outside the display space.
- Professional landscapers may place one real estate sign (18" x 24") in their display; each Novice group will be required to have a sign to recognize the exhibitors and sponsors/donors. **No additional signage will be permitted.**
- Exhibitors are expected to clean, replace dead plant material, and water the display daily. **If the exhibit is not kept attractive, the premium will be forfeited. Pumps and fountains must be maintained in working order.**
- Exhibit installation can begin after Labor Day and must be completed by 8 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 18.
- Exhibits must be removed by 4p.m. Monday, Sept. 27.
- The award winners will be announced at approximately 4 p.m. on Sunday, Sept. 19 in the South Side Tire & Auto Beef Show Ring (Bldg. 18)
- Prizes will be awarded in the following amounts in the Professional Division: 1st \$350.00, 2nd \$250.00, and 3rd \$150.00.; and on a sliding scale in the Novice Division.
- The Fair also offers the opportunity for permanent landscaping on a year-round basis. For more information, contact the Fair office at 301.663.5895.
- I understand that by participating in this contest, I and/or my company/organization, employees, volunteers, students will not hold The Great Frederick Fair, its officials, agents, employees, representatives, managers, officers, volunteers, and/or sponsors responsible for any loss, damaged or theft of any plant(s), ornament(s), material(s), etc. that are part of the contest and my display.**

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September 17-25, 2021

The Great Frederick Fair is featuring its Twenty Fifth Annual Landscape Contest **September 17 - 25**. The contest, sponsored by Ruppert Landscape, is another way to show the diversity of agriculture in Frederick County. This program is dedicated to educating the public about landscaping within the agriculture industry as well as promote the landscaping industry before an audience of 250,000 spectators.

Eleven (11) sites (some with multiple locations) have been selected for the Landscape Contest. Landscapers are encouraged to use the theme and it's colors when designing their areas.

This year's theme is...



The contest has two divisions – one for students/novices and one for professionals. An entry fee is not required. Both divisions provide cash prizes to the top three winning contestants.

This program is an excellent way for landscaping companies to advertise their businesses and for students to gain real world experience. The Great Frederick Fair benefits by having so many areas beautifully decorated.

2019 Landscape Contest Winners at The Great Frederick Fair

Professional Division	Novice Division
1st: Hawkins Landscaping	1st: Walkersville 4-H Club
2nd: JT Hood	2nd: Linganore FFA
3rd: NewLawns, Inc.	3rd: Middletown FFA

Registration Form (Detach) 2021 Ruppert Landscape Contest

The Great Frederick Fair

Nursery/Landscaper's Name:

Address:

Contact Person:

Phone Number:

E-mail:

1st Choice

2nd Choice

3rd Choice

Please list first three choices for areas to be landscaped.

Please Return to: The Great Frederick Fair, P.O. Box 604, Frederick, MD 21705-0604 • p. 301.663.5895 • f. 301.663.9719
By Friday, July 26th, 2021

Contest areas are limited. Registration will be made on a first-come-first-serve basis.