

GROVE PARK YARD OF THE MONTH (YOTM)

Presented by Grove Park Neighborhood Association (“GPNA”)
Beautification Committee.

Program Guidelines

- Judging will be provided by the Grove Park Neighborhood Association (“GPNA”) Beautification Committee.
- Judging criteria can include landscaping, porch decorations, seasonal decor (seasonal decor for yard of the month will be considered from October through December)
- The award term is from the 15th of the month until the 14th of the following month.
- The same property may receive the award no more than once per quarter in a calendar year.
- During their reign as Grove Park Yard of the Month, winners are expected to maintain their yard in the same manner that allowed them to win the title. However, those winning based on seasonal decor may change the decor based on the season change (ie. removal of Christmas lights)

Judging Criteria

- Landscaping

Grove Park Yard of the Month candidates are judged solely on the exterior appearance of their property as viewed from the street. Yards will be judged on landscaping and decor. Overall appearance and factors include, but are not limited to, maintenance of the front and side yards, pruned and trimmed trees and shrubs, edged and defined lawns, borders and flower beds. Additionally, driveways and walkways shall be clean, and free of debris and dirt. This list is not exhaustive.

- Seasonal Decor (October through December)

Grove Park Yard of the Month candidates for seasonal decor are judged solely on the exterior appearance of their property as viewed from the street. General maintenance and upkeep of the yard and home is included in the judging. Overall appearance,, creativity, decorating in the “spirit of the season ” are considered. This list is not exhaustive

Awards

There will be one winner each month who may display the Grove Park yard of the month sign in their yard from the 15th of the month through the 14th of the next month. After the winner’s

month is completed the GPNA Beautification Committee will remove the yard sign and provide it to the next winner.

The Grove Park Yard of the Month sign will be the property of GPNA Beautification Committee.

Winners of Grove Park Yard of the Month may also be featured on the GPNA Facebook page and other GPNA newsletter distributions.

Eligibility

- The property of all current residents of Grove Park, both owner occupied and renters, are eligible to participate in Grove Park Yard of the Month
- Grove Park Yard of the Month winners are **not** required to be members of GPNA
- Residents not wishing to participate may contact the GPNA Beautification Committee at (GroveParkYOTM@gmail.com) to remove their property from consideration.
- Unoccupied homes are not eligible for consideration for GP Yard of the Month

Nominations

- Nominations are due by the **10th** of each month.
- If no nominations are received outside of the GP YOTM Committee, the committee will nominate residents.
- Nominations may be submitted via:
 - Email (GroveparkYOTM@gmail.com)
- Nominations at a minimum must include the address of the property nominated or identifying information to locate the property.
 - Residents are strongly encouraged and advised not to bother residents or enter any properties unsolicited
- Members of the YOTM committee will make contact with the winner
- Residents may nominate up to three properties for YOTM , residents of Grove Park may also nominate themselves
- The GP YOTM committee will notify winners of YOTM and get permission for their participation in the program as well as display The Yard of the Month sign in the front yard.
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Purpose

The purpose of the YOTM program is to build community engagement and continue to promote the beauty of Grove Park. We want to highlight the many residents who maintain beautiful yards and aid in the beauty of the Grove Park community.