

## We can't wait to see your gardens!

The PEC Master Gardeners are pleased to announce the **Children's Garden Award for 2021.**

Participation will encourage:

Engagement with the natural world

Learning about how to grow food /herbs/flowers and

A feeling of accomplishment having created a garden.

Gardening also requires patience, responsibility and organization.

Application forms will be available at all public libraries in The County and on our website.



<https://pecmastergardeners.ca>

Application deadline: **April 30th, 2021.**

Prince Edward County Master Gardeners will be available to help any participant who needs it.

We can be reached by email at: [pecmastergardeners@gmail.com](mailto:pecmastergardeners@gmail.com)

There is also lots of advice on our website at: <https://pecmastergardeners.ca>



## Children's Garden Award 2021

The contest is open to all children (6-12 years of age) who have access to a garden in the County.

## Prizes

All contestants will receive a participation certificate.

The Overall Winner will be selected and their name will be engraved on the trophy.

In addition, prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

Junior - 6-9 years old

Senior - 10 -12 years old

For each there will be a

**First Place - \$100 cash**

**Second place - \$50 cash**

**Third place - \$25 cash**

All prizes include a plaque to keep. Awards will be distributed in October.

Due to current uncertainties, there will be more information regarding the process nearer the time.



### Here's how it works:

Contestants must

Plant and maintain a garden themselves. They can seek advice, but they must do the work.

Keep a careful journal about the garden, including plant names, gardening tasks and any other observations made throughout the growing season. (written or drawings).

**What to plant:** vegetables, flowers or herbs or any combination. These can be started from seeds or seedlings.

**Size of garden:** any size (we suggest 10'X10').

**Where to plant:** wherever there is a space available in The County for example: your backyard, or any other space you have access to such as a neighbour's/friends' yard, or an allotment /community garden.

Master Gardeners will monitor contestants progress, either in person or by phone.

If possible, we will visit the contestant's garden twice during the summer (early summer then again in September). We will take photos, look at the contestant's journal and ask questions about their garden.

All COVID protocols will be followed and we will adjust as required.

If in-person visits are not possible, we will ask for photos of the garden and of the journal. We will also chat with the contestant on the phone.