**Phoenix in Bloom is an annual community gardening competition to celebrate the residents who help to make our area a brighter, greener place to live, work and play. It’s also an opportunity to get involved in gardening, no matter how large, or small, your outside space.** Enter now or nominate a neighbour to celebrate a beautiful garden, balcony or container that brings colour to our area!

**Eligibility**

Phoenix in Bloom is open to all Phoenix residents, schools and community centres within the Phoenix area.

**Closing date for entries is 9am Monday 24 August 2020.**

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|  | **Category** | **1st prize**  **Voucher** | **2nd prize**  **Voucher** | **3rd prize**  **Voucher** |
| 1 | Best Residential Garden | £100 | £50 | £25 |
| 2 | Best Fruit and/or Vegetable Plot or Allotment | £100 | £75 | £50 |
| 3 | Best Balcony display | £75 | £50 | £25 |
| 4 | Best Residential Community Garden | £400 | £100 |  |
| 5 | Young Gardener of the Year (16 yrs old or under) | £50 | £25 | £15 |
| 6 | Judges’ special prize | £50 | £25 x 2 |  |

**However small or large your display, plot or garden we encourage you to have a go! If you’re not quite ready for the competition, register your garden for 2021’s most improved garden award. Why not take some ‘before' photographs now to motivate you to get designing and planting up for next year?**

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| **Name** |  | | | | | **Date:** | |
| **Home address** |  | | | | | | |
| **Address of garden if different from above** |  | | | | | | |
| **E-mail (or parent/guardians if under 16)** |  | | | | | | |
| **Phone (or parent/guardians if under 16)** |  | | | | | | |
| **Which categories are you entering?** |  | | | | | | |
| **Parent/Guardian name and signature (if under 16)** | **Name** |  | | **Signature** | | |  |
| **Registering for most improved garden 2021? Please tick.** | **Yes** |  | **No** | |  | | |

Please complete the entry form with your name, address, email and contact number. Please tick (√) the category most suited to your display. Please email your entry to info@phoenixch.org.uk or post or deliver your entry to Phoenix in Bloom, The Green Man, 355 Bromley Road, London, SE6 2RP by **Monday 24 August 2020.**

We will use the information you provide on this form to process your application for Phoenix in Bloom. We will not share the information with anyone else.   
We would like to send you updates about opportunities and news from Phoenix. You can stop receiving these updates or adjust your preferences at any time by contacting communications@phoenixch.org.uk  
  
The information you provide will be stored and retained securely and treated in accordance with our Data Protection Policy, the General Data Protection Regulation and any succeeding acts. Our data protection policy is available on our website and on request by calling 0800 0285 700. Please tick the following:

* Yes, please send me news and updates by email
* Yes, please send me updates by text message or SMS
* Yes, please send me updates by post

**How to enter**

This year’s competition will be judged online in order to maintain social distancing measures. To enter please send us a maximum of 3 photos per entry. Here are the guidelines for taking entry photos:

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| **DO** | **DON’T** |
| Include the whole display | Include any people |
| Take the photo in colour | Use any filters or edit the photo |
| Consider the position and composition of the photo  Consider the judging criteria when taking the photo |  |

To enter by email – please fill in this form and email it, along with your photos, to [info@phoenixch.org.uk](mailto:info@phoenixch.org.uk). Please use the email heading ‘Phoenix in Bloom entry’. Some email providers have limits on the file size you can attach to an email. If you cannot send all your photos in one email, please use [www.wetransfer.com](http://www.wetransfer.com) to create a download link.

To enter by post – please print off and fill in this form. Write your name and address on the back of each photo. Post to

Phoenix in Bloom

The Green Man,

355 Bromley Road,

London,

SE6 2RP

Any photos sent in cannot be returned.

**Judging will take place between Tuesday 25 August – Thursday 27 August 2020 (subject to change) The judges’ decision is final.**

**Winners will be announced via our website Tuesday 1 September 2020 (subject to change)**

Prizes will be posted to winners.

**Entries will be judged on the following criteria. Criteria applies to adult and young gardener.**

**Gardens, balconies, window boxes, hanging baskets, community gardens and containers.**

* Impact
* Variety and the use of a range of plants
* Colour combinations
* Position and profusion
* Condition and care
* Environmental awareness and sustainability

**Fruit and/or vegetable plots or allotments**

* Maximum use of plot
* Quality of produce.
* Variation of produce
* Appearance of plot
* Features – are there any interesting features that enhance the overall plot
* Organic/ecological practices

**Young Gardener of the Year (16 years old and under)**

Entries can be for their sole gardening work or working contribution made to any of these categories:

* Whole or part of a garden
* Whole or part of an allotment or fruit and/or vegetable plot
* Balcony display
* Window box display
* Hanging basket display
* Working contribution to a community garden

**Let’s make the Phoenix area a brighter, greener place to live.**