

Nelson Sensation Award

The Nelson Sensation Award is given monthly by the Arkansas City Beautification and Tree Advisory Board to properties that present a total package of beautification and pleasant appearance. It is especially appropriate for properties at which minor or major renovation or remodeling has taken place.

To be eligible for the award, a property must demonstrate at least three of the following characteristics:

- Quality of construction
- Effect on neighborhood
- General style of original structure has improved
- Removal of chipped paint, addition of new paint, debris removal, window replacement, etc.
- Overall attractiveness of building is maintained

Both commercial and residential properties are eligible for this award once in any two-year period.

Citizens may nominate a yard for the board's consideration for the Nelson Sensation Award by emailing the address — and, if they like, a photo — of the yard to Andrew Lawson at alawson@arkansascityks.gov.

Exceptional Yard Award

The Exceptional Yard Award is given regularly by the Arkansas City Beautification and Tree Advisory Board to a yard that, through a combination of landscaping and flowers, presents a pleasant appearance that enhances the home itself. It can be awarded weekly, biweekly, monthly or bimonthly.

It also is a way to recognize homeowners who “go all out” to decorate for holidays such as Christmas.

To be eligible for the award, a property must demonstrate at least three of the following characteristics:

- Yard is uniform to the structure(s)
- Balanced design
- Visually appealing
- Clean yard and garden beds (if applicable)
- Consistent yard maintenance

Only residential properties are eligible for this award, and only once in any two-year period.

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