



**THE GARDEN GROWERS
6TH ANNUAL
GREAT GARDEN SHOWOFF**

The Garden Growers is an Iowa State University Scott County Extension program with a mission to promote healthy lifestyles and beautify our community by building capacity for gardening.

This is our 6th annual Great Garden Showoff, a self-guided tour of gardens in the neighborhoods south of Locust Street and between Division and Fairmount Streets in Davenport.

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**“A Celebration of
Gardens in the City”**

A FREE garden walk
featuring home and
community gardens in
southwest Davenport.



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**Tuesday, June 23, 2009, from 6-8 p.m.
Wednesday, June 24, 2009, from 6-8 p.m.**



The Garden Growers
Quad Cities Community Gardening

FEATURED GARDENS

The featured gardens are listed in geographic order from East to West.

Garden walk maps will be available at all of the gardens.

Garden 1: 830 North Pine Street

This charming brick home has towering pines backing it, while the front faces stone walls topped by perennial beds. The beds are contained by a small cedar fence with a little garden gate. Deep red barberry and spirea shrubs are included along with daylilies, Asiatic lilies, and irises. Brilliant purple petunias add a jazz of color.

Garden 2: 525 Lincoln Court

This hillside home features terraced beds packed with a large variety of perennials including salvias, daylilies, roses, irises, coral bells and shrubs. Flower baskets hang from a second story deck, and an antique baby buggy holds a pot of flowers.

Garden 3: Clarissa C. Cook Retirement Home, 100 South Pine Street

This stone mansion has a park-like setting. The entrance drive is flanked by hosta beds under arching evergreens. A massive tulip tree stands on the north side. On the south side a gazebo and its walkway are surrounded by peony beds. The back of the lot is a neat vegetable garden complete with grape arbors and an old-fashioned root cellar covered with grass. The house porch is edged with flower boxes.

Garden 4: 3162 Boies Avenue

This property is certified as a wildlife habitat by the National Wildlife Federation. The driveway seems more like a park with lush hostas, cedar trees and pots along the side. The garden includes over 130 varieties of mature hostas, *Heuchera*, numerous groundcovers, a water garden, blooming perennials, and a butterfly garden of giant zinnias – that attract hummingbirds all summer long.

Garden 5: 537 South Fairmount Street

Only in the works for three years, this garden uses recycled materials. Reclaimed sidewalk cement forms walls for garden border. The greenhouse is made from old patio doors and discarded siding, and the homeowners made the steps and a hillside pond. Many types of hostas and lots of perennials are accented by annuals. Perennial trading with friends and neighbors increases the variety of plants.

Garden 6: 4740 Wapello Avenue

This large country garden has a different feel from our delightful city-lot gardens but it was too good to pass up. The homeowner, undeterred by a nearby industrial zone, started gardening nine years ago. There are lilac beds and large flower beds featuring irises, daylilies, Asiatic lilies, oriental lilies, monardas, lilacs, hostas, ornamental grasses, phlox, and clematis. A garden gate, trellises, and a gazebo add structural interest, while a huge vegetable garden, fruit trees, and grapevines started years before put food on the table.

WHILE YOU ARE IN THE NEIGHBORHOOD...

... Drive by

2320 Telegraph Road

Do a drive-by and get an eye-full of this block-long wildflower extravaganza! A white picket fence makes the top border of a sloped garden crammed with colorful flowers.



...Visit

Nahant Marsh

4220 Wapello Avenue

Nahant Marsh Education Center, currently comprised of 260.2 acres, is one of the largest urban wetlands on the Upper Mississippi River. It consists of marshy areas, mesic, wet, and sand prairie, and bottomland forest. A spring-fed quarry, known as Carp Lake, and the surrounding grounds, are part of the Nahant Marsh Preserve as well.

