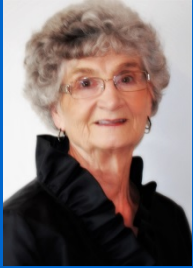


2017 National Judge



Lorna McIlroy
Retiered Teacher &
Horticulturist

Grande Prairie, AB

Lorna is a lifelong gardener and a lifelong learner. Over the years, she obtained her B.Ed. and M.Ed. from the U of A in Edmonton and enjoyed twenty-five years in the classroom. Recently, she completed the Prairie Horticulture Certificate program.

Taking early retirement has enabled her to pursue her interests in traveling, gardening and volunteering with the local museum, the community garden, the retired teachers' association and particularly with the Communities in Bloom program.

Lorna has been awarded an honorary life membership in the Alberta Horticultural Association and is now serving as past-president. As a trained horticultural judge, she has enjoyed judging throughout Alberta and northern British Columbia for thirty years. In addition, for the past twenty-five years, she has instructed judging courses for the A.H.A. in Alberta, British Columbia and Northwest Territories.

Having been a provincial, national and international judge with Communities in Bloom over the past thirteen years, Lorna takes great pleasure in seeing 'People, Plants and Pride - Growing Together' and particularly looks forward to celebrating Canada's 150th with Communities in Bloom.