

Funding available for budding garden designers

3rd August 2016: Yates and Junior Landcare are calling on schools, kindergartens and youth groups across the country to submit a design for their dream garden for the chance to receive a grant valued at \$2,000.

The 'Design and Be Inspired in the Garden' grants program is offering 12 grants made up of \$1,500 in funding, \$500 of Yates garden products, and a Yates growing consultation. Grants will be awarded to the most creative, well designed, sustainable, and environmentally conscious entries.

Landcare Australia CEO, Tessa Jakszewicz, is looking forward to seeing the innovative ideas submitted. "This program is all about being creative and no idea is too big. We're hoping to see an array of designs submitted, be they productive vegetable gardens, sensory gardens or recycled gardens. Junior Landcarers are a creative bunch, and I can't wait to see what they come up with," she said.

"The Yates and Junior Landcare partnership is all about helping young people to connect with our natural environment through getting outside and getting their hands dirty, so we're delighted to be able to offer the funding, products and expertise to help 12 creative and innovative gardens come to life," said Angie Thomas, Yates Horticultural Communications Manager.

Any budding gardeners interested in submitting an application should visit the Junior Landcare and Yates Garden Greenie websites, where there are resources and case studies that are sure to inspire. Applications can be made online through the Landcare Australia website and close on August 15th at 9am (AEST).

For more information, guidelines and criteria, or to submit an application, please visit www.landcareaustralia.org.au/be-inspired-garden.

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About Yates and Junior Landcare

Junior Landcare is about encouraging young people to play an active role in ensuring the safe future of their environment. Yates is Australia's leading garden care brand and a long-term partner of Landcare Australia and key supporter of its Junior Landcare program. Proceeds from the sale of Yates' Nature's Way products with the Landcare Australia logo fund Junior Landcare projects. Support includes growing challenges and grants programs and aims to help young people, schools and youth groups connect with the land and how plants grow, as part of an outdoor learning experience.

