# OAKLAND NURSERIES

## **GARDEN ART WINTER CARE**

As fall approaches, it is time to start preparing our fountains and pottery for winter. There are a few simple steps to ensure that your fountains and pottery are protected and ready for display next spring.

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#### **FOUNTAINS**

- Need to be drained before first freeze
- All drain plugs need to be removed and placed somewhere to be used again in spring
- Large fountains need to be also drained and covered with a fountain cover
- Smaller fountains can be placed somewhere where snow cannot collect in any of the bowls

#### **CONCRETE URNS**

The key to winter preparation for concrete urns is DRAINAGE.
Any water has to drain thru urn to ensure that it does not hold water before it has a chance to freeze. Make sure drainage hole is free of debris. This is very important to ensure longevity of your urn.

### **CLAY POTTERY**

 Clay pottery can be somewhere outside turned upside down and elevated so water or snow cannot collect inside pot. The other option is to bring them inside for the winter months.

#### **PLASTIC POTTERY**

Plastic pottery needs to be brought inside for the winter
Proper winter care is essential to ensure longevity of your concrete and clay garden accents.