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WSFGC AWARDS FOR 2023-2025



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AWARD RULES

1. AWARDS YEAR—JANUARY 1 TO DECEMBER 31

All awards may be presented annually, if merited, unless otherwise stated in awards description.

2. DEADLINE

The appropriate Chairman must receive all applications and supporting evidence by the deadline date shown. **Check all deadlines—some have changed.** If no chairman is listed, application should be sent to the State Awards Chairman.

3. ELIGIBILITY

Only WSFGC members are eligible to apply unless otherwise stated in the award description.

4. APPLICATION FORMS

- Use the WSFGC Application Form (GA#128, revised 2019) and procedure for applying. Forms are available from WSFGC Awards Chairman, District Directors, District Awards Chairmen, and on the WSFGC website, www.wagardenclubs.com.
- There is a three (3) page limit, not including the front cover page (application form) .Use application form only to identify the award and applicant's information. Questions 2-6, if applicable, and photos should be shown on the following three pages.
- No limit on number of photos, but should be included on the 3 pages. Size them down or crop if needed. Reduce newspaper clippings and thank you notes, if possible.
- If you have numerous newspaper clippings and thank you notes, you may summarize them (e.g. "3 articles were in the *Daily News*, and we received appreciation notes from a Church, the public library, and the Mayor.")
- Binders and vinyl sheet protectors are no longer required or allowed.
- Applications may not be returned. Make copies for your own records.
- All award applications are to be submitted electronically with the exception of Youth Awards, Flower Show Achievement Award, and Calendar Arranger of the Year.

5. AWARD CATEGORIES

1. CLUBS or GROUPS size

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|-----|-------------|--------------------|
| i | Small Club | 20 or less members |
| ii | Medium Club | 21-50 members |
| iii | Large Club | 51+ |

2. Groups of Clubs

3. Individual NGC Member

YOUTH Age Categories

- (A) Grades 1-3
- (B) Grades 4-6
- (C) Grades 7-9
- (D) Other

6. PROCEDURE FOR APPLYING AND DEADLINES

Complete the WSFGC application form (GA #128, revised 2019). Submit the original form (3 pages only) to the appropriate State Awards Chairman by the deadline set by WSFGC. Exceptions: Flower Shows, Presidents Awards that apply to Flower Show entries, Publications, Publicity Press Books, Member Award of Honor, Award of Excellence. If submitting by mail, include original copy.

- Keep one copy for your records.

BOOK OF EVIDENCE – should be prepared for the following ONLY:

- Flower Show Awards
- Publicity Press Book
- Others as described in Award Description

SCALE OF POINTS FOR ALL AWARDS

(Exceptions— Promotions, Publications, Yearbooks, Flower Show Achievement Awards, Publicity Press Books, Website, Member Award of Honor, as noted)

Presentation: 5 points- neat, concise, includes all required information on the WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) (only 3 pages allowed) or the Book of Evidence, if required.

Achievement: 65 points – scope of project; need and fulfillment; benefit; accomplishment; comprehensiveness of work; activities to attain goals; evaluation of goals reached; educational; prior planning; very brief history if continuing project; financial report; other.

Participation: 15 points – size of club; involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth residents in facilities, others. Not all of these have to be involved.

Record or Documentation: 15 points – supporting data (as applicable). Clear, well-labeled and neatly attached or inserted before and after photographs if applicable, landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn), financial report, letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles (if possible) radio or TV script (if possible) etc. Photocopies are permitted. Summarize supporting data to remain within the 3 page limit.

Total: 100 points

WSFGC AWARD DEADLINES

December 1

American Gardener /Organic Gardening / Edible Gardening.....	Marva Lee Peterschick
Arbor Day.....	Dorrie Carr
Arboreal/Botanical Gardens.....	Lona Carter
Award of Achievement.....	Billie Fitch
Bird Conservation.....	Ann Kronenwetter
Community Enhancements.....	LeAnna McMahan
Environmental Awareness.....	
Garden Club Growing Project.....	Debbie Spiller
Horticulture Achievement.....	Marva Lee Peterschick
Horticulture Essay.....	Marva Lee Peterschick
Hybridizer Award (odd numbered years).....	Madeline West
Pollinator Conservation.....	Mary Lou Paulson
Publications.....	Sandra Zacher
Therapy Gardens TBA	Send Awards Application to State Awards Chairman (Terry Critchlow)
Website/Social Media.....	Chris Hill
Wildlife Conservation.....	Linda Wells

December 15

Youth: NGC Poetry Contest.....	Diane Franchini
Youth Recycled Sculpture ContestTBA. Send Awards Application to State Awards Chairman (Terry Critchlow)	
Youth Involvement.....	Dorrie Carr
Flower Show Awards.....	Brynn Tavasci
Membership Awareness.....	Judy Swortz
Yearbooks.....	Judy Strickland

(See section description for dates)

January 15

Yearbooks.....	Judy Strickland
Flower Show Schedule Awards.....	Jeanette Pruin
Youth: Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Posters.....	Evie Marwood

February 1

Arbor Day.....	Dorrie Carr
Corsages.....	Tory Bennett
Honor Club.....	Kathy Johnson
Landscape Design.....	Diane Franchini
President's Awards (unless otherwise stated).....	Billie Fitch
Recycling.....	Brynn Tavasci
Youth: Pollinator Power poster contest.....	Mary Lou Paulson

WSFGC AWARDS

ARBOR DAY— Dorrie Carr

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Arbor Day in our state is the second Wednesday in April. This day is set aside to plant trees and shrubs to beautify our surroundings and to conserve natural resources. Districts and clubs are encouraged to make a planting in a public place where others may enjoy it.

This Chairman will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winning entry for Pat Crawford Arbor Day Award. Use WSFGC Award Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

ARBORETA / BOTANICAL GARDENS—Lona Carter

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Certificates and ribbons are offered for outstanding work in:

- A. Establishing a new Arboretum or Botanical Garden
- B. Assisting by work or financial contributions

Use WSFGC Application Award Form (GA #128, revised 2019)

Send a list of Arboreta/Botanical Gardens in your District to the *WSFGC Program & Meeting Guide* Chairman.

AWARD OF ACHIEVEMENT – Billie Fitch

LOIS DONAHUE WSFGC PRESIDENTS AWARD

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

(see special award specifications and application requirements in directory and online)

A certificate and \$50.00 may be awarded to a WSFGC member who has made a noteworthy contribution toward NGC objectives. These include horticulture, garden therapy, civic beautification, flower shows, birds, wildflowers, junior and high school gardening or any worthy contribution within the state of Washington. Nominations for this award will be made by the nominee's District in a letter (no more than five single-sided pages) of recommendation to the Presidents Awards Chairman.

This award is the top award offered to an individual in our state. The winner may be sent on to the Pacific Region of Garden Clubs for consideration for the NGC Award of Honor. The applicant must be nominated by their District.

BIRD CONSERVATION —Ann Kronenwetter

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

1. Garden Clubs: One \$20.00 award to a club promoting law enforcement relative to bird protection and a comprehensive program of activities for bird protection and welfare within their membership including education programs, furnishing food, water and nesting sites, creation of habitat and individual sanctuaries.

Classification:

Small Club: 29 or fewer members

Medium Club: 30-49 members

Large Club: 50 and over members

2. Individuals: One \$20.00 award may be given to an individual who creates and/or promotes a year-round bird sanctuary in her/her own garden. Chair awards the monetary award and sends eligible entries to NGC for further competition.

COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENTS- LeAnna McMahan

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Use WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION

A Beautification project in a city, town, or a neighborhood, done on a continuing basis or as a one-time event. Eligible for NGC Award of Merit plus \$100

CB-1 ROADSIDE BEAUTIFICATION - permanent site. The club project may be continuous but must have an advanced degree of completion prior to making application and award may be given only once for same project.

Eligible for NGC Award of Merit plus \$100

CB-1(A) Single club (club size i, ii, iii)

CB-1(B) Group of clubs, district, council

CB-2 COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION For most outstanding project in a city town or neighborhood. Done on a continuing basis or as a special one-time event. Eligible for NGC Award of Merit plus \$100

CB-2(A) Special one-time event (club size i, ii, iii)

CB-2(B) Continuing Project (club size i, ii, iii)

CB-3 ROADSIDE PLANTINGS Roadside beautification designed for environmental preservation and enhancement using wildflowers and native plants.

CB-3 (A) Single club (club size i, ii, iii)

CB-3 (B) Group of clubs, district, councils

COMMUNITY SERVICE

CS-1 COMMUNITY GARDENS Providing green space, and/or opportunities for social gatherings, beautification, education, recreation, or the growing of food. Eligible for NGC award \$100.

- CS-1 (A) Establishment of a new community garden by one or a group of clubs.
- CS-1 (B) Establishment of a new community garden while partnering with another organization.
- CS-1 (C) Continuing participation in a community garden by one or a group of clubs.
- CS-1 (D) Continuing participation in a community garden while partnering with another organization.

CS-2 CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT Civic or conservation working making a permanent improvement for public benefit, e.g., establishing sanctuaries, children's gardens, municipal gardens, etc. No commercial projects are eligible. Eligible for NGC Award of Merit plus \$100

- CS-2(A) Single club (club size i, ii, iii)
- CS-2(B) Group of clubs, district, council

CS-3 FOOD BANK DONATIONS See American Gardener Award

CS-4 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT Outstanding Civic Project furthering NGC objectives and projects throughout the club year, or other special projects not provided for in another NGC or WSFGC award. Eligible for NGC Award of Merit plus \$100

- CS-4(A) Single club (club size i, ii, iii)
- CS-4 (B) Group of clubs, district, council

CS-5 COMMUNITY PROJECT WITH NATIVE PLANTS/WILDFLOWERS

Given for establishing wildflower gardens, memorial gardens, or the restoration of historic gardens with emphasis on plant material native to your region. This award will not be given to the same project for two consecutive years.

- CS-5 (A) Single club (club size I, ii, iii)
- CS-5 (B) Group of clubs, council, district

CS-6 BLUE STAR/GOLD STAR MARKER LANDSCAPING Given for the most outstanding Blue Star or Gold Star Marker landscape project. The marker may be part of a highway depart rest area maintained by the department. The project may have been continuous, but major landscaping must have been completed within the previous two years. The project may be a replacement of a destroyed or long-neglected marker.

- CS-6 (A) Single club (club size I, ii, iii)
- CS-6 (B) Group of clubs, council, district

If project qualifies winners may be sent to state awards chairman by this chairman for entry into Pacific Region and NGC awards for civic projects with native plants. This chairman will send winning qualified entry to Past Presidents Award Chairman for consideration of the Shirley Monger Wildflower award along with the M. Cerita Goody Civic Achievement Award. Electronic applications accepted. If applying with hard copies, please send three copies to this chairman.

CORSAGES—Tory Bennett

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Chairman will be available to assist Garden Clubs with programs on making corsages, and the inclusion of corsages in flower shows.

Use WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019). This Chairman will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winning entry for the Glad Reusch Corsage Award.

Requires one or more of the following three categories:

1. One corsage workshop for club members
 2. Club sponsored demonstration/workshop for youth groups
 2. Clubs working with senior citizens and senior facilities
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GARDEN CLUB GROWING PROJECT—Debbie Spiller

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

\$25 award donated by Washington Consultants Council

Requirements:

1. Members must all grow the same plant.
2. Club's choice of plant.
3. Projects can be one year (annuals, bulbs, corms, etc.) or two years (perennials, biennials, etc).
4. Culture must be part of monthly club programs.
5. Submit WSFGC Application Award Form (GA #128, revised 2019)

HONOR CLUB—Kathy Johnson

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

The honor club award recognizes the club that offers its membership a balance of programs, projects, and activities that support the goals of NGC. Attendance and participation in district and state events, attending NGC schools, donations or various type/s including scholarships, natural disasters, etc. Complete the new Honor Club form revised 8/1/2023 available online or from this chairman or your district award's chairman. Points earned will be divided by the number of members in the club for a proportionate representation of participation.

The highest-scoring Honor Club earns the Violet Gose President's Club Achievement Award

HORTICULTURE AWARDS—Marva Lee Peterschick

AMERICAN GARDENER AWARD—Marva Lee Peterschick

DEADLINE – DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

I. **AMERICAN GARDENER AWARD:** Emphasis is on feeding the hungry. Report location of garden, what kind of garden (private or other) and to what organization the food was donated.

Recognizing garden clubs and individuals who grow their own vegetables, fruits and other food items, and donate to help with food hunger. A Certificate of Merit to those who apply with ONE CLUB chosen to advance to the National Garden Clubs “Plant and Feed America Award program.” Individual members will receive a certificate only that applies under I b. and 1c.

1a. Individual Clubs (members grow food in a garden or gardens, and donate food in the name of the club to feed the hungry. Report how much food was donated. Eligible for NGC Plant & Feed America Award.

1.b. Individual garden club member who grows food and donates. This can be in a community garden such as a school garden, church garden or other that supports feeding the hungry.

1.c. Individual garden club members who donate items (such as seeds, plants, cash) to garden clubs or districts to grow food to help with hunger.

II. **ORGANIC GARDENING PRACTICES:** Garden club members in a club that emphasize and employ the use of organic materials and methods in a gardening project, or an educational activity should be recognized with a certificate of achievement. Send WSFGC general award application GA#128 with short summary of organic practices used by your club members to this chairman. The very best project by a group will be selected to compete at National Garden clubs, Inc. in Organic Gardening Practices.

A. Single member garden club (state membership size)

B. Group of member clubs (districts, etc.) how many clubs)

III. **EDIBLE GARDENING:** Given for the most outstanding garden of edibles, fruits, vegetables, and/or edible flowers. Send WSFGC general award application GA#128. Describe your garden plan, selection of plants, growth and maturity of plants. Successful incorporation of edibles if grown in an ornamental landscape. Include at least one photo.

A. Garden of edibles

A1 Individual A2 club

B. Garden incorporating edibles in an ornamental garden

B1 Individual B2 Club

CONVENTION HORTICULTURE COMPETITION—TBD

Open only to Districts at WSFGC Convention. Exhibits are to be set up and judged at convention. \$30 may be awarded to the winning District in each category; 2nd place \$20; 3rd Place \$10. Container-grown plants must have been in exhibitor's possession 90 days except for multiple plantings, which must have been in exhibitor's possession at least six weeks. All specimens must be named, giving genus and species, and variety/cultivar added when available.

Categories:

1. Potted foliage plants
2. Potted flowering plants (Must be in bloom).
3. Cut foliage plants
4. Cut flowering plants
5. Combination of cut and potted plants.

Only one category may be entered, consisting of a minimum of six specimens and a maximum of ten varieties of one genus or plant family.

All specimens must be labeled correctly. Exhibit entry to cover no more than 25 square feet.

Must include:

1. Superior Horticulture Specimens
2. Culture presented on posters, pictures or charts
3. List of or exhibit of reference material, books, pamphlets, etc.
4. List of plant sources
5. Handout material optional

SCALE OF POINTS FOR HORTICULTURE COMPETITION

Horticultural excellence of specimens	.40
Culture	35
Reference material	10
Use of space	10
Overall appeal	5
TOTAL	<u>100</u>

HORTICULTURE ACHIEVEMENT —Marva Lee Peterschick

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

1st place \$30

2nd place \$20

3rd place \$10

This award may be given to a garden club member in recognition of expertise in the field of horticulture, for efforts in disseminating knowledge throughout a large area, and the ability to motivate and inspire others in the field of horticulture.

Requirements: Must be a member of at least one Plant Society or Horticultural Society. Must be recommended in writing (letter format) by three to five people familiar with the nominee's qualifications. Must have published articles, taught, or lectured on horticultural subjects. Consideration will be given to recognition by the Plant Society locally,

statewide, or nationally, as having made a contribution to horticulture. Areas of achievement may be plant growing and culture, horticulture conservation, wildflowers, etc. The Book of Evidence must be sent to this chairman.

HORTICULTURE ESSAY AWARD—Marva Lee Peterschick

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

AWARD—\$30.00

For garden club members and high school gardeners.

The best essay of not less than 300 words or more than 500 words on growing shrubs, plants or trees will receive a check at the WSFGC Convention. Some essays may be chosen for publication in *Washington Garden & Design*. Essay should be sent in a folder.

HYBRIDIZER AWARD—Madeline West

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 OF ODD-NUMBERED YEARS AWARD—

AWARD: \$100

A check for \$100.00 may be presented in odd-numbered years at the WSFGC convention to a Washington State resident for outstanding achievement in hybridization. Recipient may receive the award only once and need not be a garden club member. In the case of a new variety being developed, a statement from the respective Plant Society should be included with the Book of Evidence. All available documentation relative to the achievement must also be included. The contest will be judged by a committee of experienced horticulturists using rules for the particular entry.

LANDSCAPE DESIGN AWARDS—Diane Franchini

DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Two \$25 awards donated by Washington Consultants Council

These awards are for a residential design for an entrance, garden feature or other residential area. Submit WSFGC Application Award Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

- A. Completed Project
- B. Plan Only (must comply with Rule 2 below)

Rules:

1. Open to any garden club member or high school gardener in WSFGC.
2. Design must be drawn to scale, 1/4" or 1/8" to a foot. Paper size should be no smaller than 12" x 18" and no larger than 24" x 36." Show plantings as related to building or site.
3. Must be the work of a club member or club members.
4. Brief description of project.
5. Legend of plant materials and other features.
6. Before and after photographs of project.

MEMBERSHIP AWARENESS—Judy Swortz

DEADLINE – DECEMBER 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

MP-1 GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP AWARENESS

A club, district or state garden club needs to show the most innovative activity or activities, or the most outstanding effort to increase public visibility that increases membership. The application must show how they have made the public aware of the mission and activities of garden clubs. This includes membership brochures, leaflets, or any other publication used as well as any publicity received. (Printed materials, and materials for electronic publication plus publicity articles may be attached in their entirety to the application and are not counted as part of the three-page limit.)

Certificate of Merit and \$100 to overall winner from NGC. Winning applicant will be sent on by this chairman. Check scale of points on NGC website at www.gardenclub.org. Complete WSFGC award form #128 revised 2019. Include size designation for club.

MP-3 SOCIAL MEDIA/WEBSITE AWARD– Chris Hill

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Certificate of Merit will be given for the most outstanding website promoting the sponsoring club or group of clubs and WSFGC, NGC objectives. Site must have some portion available for viewing by the public to be considered for an NGC award. Give address, who maintains site, and how often updated, and cost. Submit Membership books and WSFGC awards form (#128 revised 2019) to this Chairman.

MP-3A Website designed and managed by club member/members

MP-3C Website professionally designed

Include club size designation (i, ii, iii, or group of clubs)

WILDLIFE CONSERVATION – Linda Wells

DEADLINE DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Awarded to the most comprehensive and effective projects and educational programs with the focus on wildlife protection and welfare. This may include; creating a habitat in a public, school, or in private gardens. Including habitats or gardens specific to the natural population being supported; sanctuaries, migratory routes, public education projects or programs, legislative activities or other worthy conservation efforts. If worthy the winning entry by a club or district may be sent to NGC for further competition and a \$100 award.

WC 1 Individual WSFGC member

WC 2 Club

WC 3 Group of Clubs, Districts

POLLINATOR CONSERVATION — Mary Lou Paulson

DEADLINE – DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Awarded for an outstanding comprehensive program for the protection and welfare of Pollinators, such as creating a garden in a public or private space or schools; habitat protection, protection of migratory routes, public education, establishment of pollinator gardens at a school or community site, or other. If qualified, the winning entry may be sent to NGC for entry into conservation award.

Categories:

- A. Individuals
- B. Clubs
- C. Districts
- D. High School Gardeners
- E. Junior/Intermediate Gardeners

PUBLICATIONS – Sandra Zacher
DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

PUBLICATION AWARD RULES

Submit WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019). Electronic submissions permitted. No Book of Evidence required. The application shall include:

- a. Club/District name, address, city and state
- b. Size category of club or group of clubs.
- c. Club/District membership; percent of membership participation if applicable
- d. Financial statement (cost of producing the publication; price if for sale)
- e. Number of copies distributed; how distributed
- f. Brief description of publication

Applications for newsletters should include statement of number of issues per year. Submit three consecutive issues published in one year under one editorship or management.

PUB-1 Publications
Newsletters

- 1) Newsletters one-8 ½ X 11” or one sheet of paper
- 2) Newsletter or Magazine of 3-12 pages
- 3) Newsletter, Magazine or Bulletin of 13-24 pages
- 4) Newsletter, Magazine or Bulletin over 24 pages

Eligible for categories 1-4:

- A) Single Member Garden Club – (i, ii, iii, iv)
- B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

State number of issues per year. Must be published a minimum of three times per year. Send three consecutive issues published during the awards year under one editorship. On application form include circulation report (for example, to Club Presidents, District Officers, WSFGC Officers, other newsletter editors, 100% membership or if by paid subscription, the number of subscribers).

If entry is sent in hard copy, send a complete duplicate set of the entry (TWO COPIES) so that the winning newsletters may be sent to NGC and the Pacific Region for award consideration.

This Chairman will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winners of the Margery V. Bardon District Newsletter Award and the Marianne Larson Club Newsletter Award.

PUB-2 Publications

- 1) Manuals, handbooks; example: procedural, duties of Officers, etc.
- 2) Educational; example environmental, landscape, gardening, horticulture therapy
- 3) Horticulture, design; examples; judging, guide to exhibiting, floral design, mechanics
- 4) History
- 5) Membership (examples: leaflets, brochures)
- 6) Calendars
- 7) Cookbooks
- 8) Other

Eligible for Categories 1-8

- A. Single garden club (i, ii, iii)
- B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts)

PUB-3. Published article, pamphlet or book by an Individual.

Submit entries for above publications in an envelope with one WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) for each publication secured to outside and one enclosed inside the envelope if sending by mail, include two copies of entry. Electronic submissions permitted.

PUBLICATIONS SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation (as applicable)	5
Application includes brief description of publication or communication, club membership, percentage of club participation. No limit on number of pages. Submit entry in envelope.	
Achievement (as applicable)	65
Educational, informative, accuracy and clarity of subject; quality of printing, photography, and/or graphics; voice delivery; coverage received; general appeal	
Promotes NGC Objective/s	15
Record or Documentation (as applicable)	15
Number of copies distributed/sold, how distributed, financial information, cost of publishing, price if sold, market seen/heard, recognition from radio/TV station.	
Total	<u>100</u>

SCALE OF POINTS (Category 4 only)

Informative and/or educational value	40
Style and appearance	40
Readability	<u>20</u>
TOTAL	<u>100</u>

This Chairman will send winning entries on to WSFGC Awards Chairman for entry in Pacific Region and NGC Awards. This Chairman will notify Presidents Awards Chairman of the winners of the Margery V. Bardon District Newsletter Award and the Marianne Larson Club Newsletter Award.

RECYCLING AWARDS—Brynn Tavasci
DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Two \$25 awards donated by Washington Consultants Council

These awards are for exhibits in a flower show that display the best use of recycled items in the creation of beauty and/or originality.

1. Individual - for the use of a recycled item originally created by the exhibitor.
2. Club, district or group (meaning more than one person worked on the exhibit or display) - in which the persons who worked on the exhibit also created the original recycled item/s within the exhibit.

One nomination in each category may be made from each flower show. Nominee must submit WSFGC Awards Application Form (GS #128 revised 2019). List all materials used.

Upon entering a flower show an exhibitor wishing to be considered for the recycling nomination must request a green recycling card from Classification, fill it out and attach it to the exhibit. If recycled items are not entered in competition but are part of show staging, etc., then the Flower Show Chairman may fill out the cards and give them to the judges.

Entries will be judged using the following Recycling Scale of Points, and must score 90 or above to be considered for nomination. Selection forms and recycling green cards are included in the Flower Show packet.

SCALE OF POINTS FOR RECYCLING AWARD

Originality	25
Design	15
Functionality	20
Craftsmanship and Technique	25
Distinction	<u>15</u>
TOTAL.....	100

THERAPY GARDENS

Therapy Gardens use garden-related activities as an aid in the recovery and rehabilitation of physically and/or mentally challenged individuals. They may be homebound persons, nursing home residents or students in special schools. Garden Club members can provide such persons the opportunity to participate in programs of horticulture and related activities such as growing plants, the artistic use of plants and other natural materials, the study of birds, nature and conservation. Active participation by these persons promotes the most therapeutic benefit.

Garden clubs are encouraged to research activities geared to their local communities. Additional help is found in the NGC Garden Therapy Manual available through the Member Services catalog.

THERAPY GARDENS AWARD – TBA

**DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS STATE AWARDS CHAIRMAN
TERRY CRITCHLOW**

Use WSFGC Awards Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

Ribbon awards are given for noteworthy programs of Garden Therapy for the physically and/or mentally challenged. A certificate may go to the club doing the most outstanding work in garden therapy.

1. Active Therapy—involving physically or mentally challenged persons in garden-related activities such as gardening, field trips or floral design.
2. Passive (sedentary) Therapy—Presenting flower arrangements, hospital decorations and special holiday treats.
3. Therapy Gardens – Establishment or restoration of a garden or gardens to benefit the physically or learning challenged, residents in nursing homes, schools, prisons, low-income housing, cancer centers, etc. by a club or district. Includes barrier-free gardens, accessible gardening, community gardens, mediation gardens at a hospital, etc. The goal of these gardens can also be to increase awareness or to give hope.
 1. Club – small, medium, large
 2. Group or clubs, district, council

YEARBOOK AWARDS—Judy Strickland
DEADLINE—DECEMBER 15 TO YOUR DISTRICT DIRECTOR
JANUARY 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Requirements: Three copies of yearbook in convenient sized envelope, with one copy of WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) paper clipped to envelope. Each District Director will send first-place winners in each category to the WSFGC Yearbook Chairman by January 15.

CATEGORIES

1. Clubs under 20 members
2. Clubs 20–29 members
3. Clubs 30–44 members
4. Clubs 45–69 members
5. Clubs 70–99 members
6. Clubs 100 or more members
7. District Yearbook—Group of member Clubs, Council, District, International Affiliate Group/Federation Yearbook
8. Guild

AWARDS

1st place	\$20 each class
2nd place	\$14 each class
3rd place	\$10 each class
Honorable Mention	Ribbons

PROCEDURE

1. The District Director arranges for evaluation of Yearbooks for Clubs, using the Scale of Points under NGC Yearbook Awards.
2. The District Director forwards the winning Yearbooks in each class, along with WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) to the WSFGC Yearbook Chairman, to arrive before November 15.

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

FLOWER SHOW AWARDS—Brynn Tavasci
DEADLINE—DECEMBER 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

FLOWER SHOW AWARD RULES

AWARDS YEAR—January 1 to December 31

REGISTRATION—must be made 60 days before the show (refer to Flower Show Registration form on page 60 this Directory)

APPLICATION FORMS—WSFGC Flower Show and applicable Presidents Awards application forms will be received from WSFGC Flower Show Awards Chair after the flower show is registered.

BOOK OF EVIDENCE—Paperclip one copy of the WSFGC awards application form inside the front cover. Use NGC award numbers only on cover and in the book of evidence. WSFGC award numbers are not relevant to NGC evaluators. Judge's evaluation forms will be handled by WSFGC Flower Show Awards Chairman. See this chairman for further help.

WHERE TO SEND—Book of Evidence and application form go to **Flower Show Awards Chairman** or to the address noted on the Application Form (e.g. the Betty Belcher Horticulture Award is sent to the Horticulture Awards Chair).

RULES FOR FLOWER SHOW AWARD PERSONNEL WISHING TO SUBMIT CD/DVD/FLASH DRIVE BOOK OF EVIDENCE

- Books of Evidence will still be accepted.
- Book of Evidence may be prepared either on CD/DVD/Flash drive using either WORD or Power Point if you don't have the capability of saving in PDF. (Due to difficulty of some not being able to open other programs, this is the only format that will be accepted.) BUT if you have the capability of saving in PDF format then you can compile your BOE in any program that you choose as long as you save it into PDF before putting it on a CD/DVD/Flash drive. That allows the judging panels of Books of Evidence to open it in Adobe Reader at State level and NGC.
- You should attach the label to the CD/DVD/Flash drive so that we know what your entry contains. More information for creating a winning BOE can be found on the NGC website.
- DO NOT put the Flower Show Schedule on the CD/DVD/Flash drive.
- Submit CD/DVD/Flash drive with 1 paper copy of Award Application and 1 copy of the schedule. Put all components inside an envelope for mailing. Submit to your State Flower Show Chairman. State Awards Chairmen will include evaluation sheets before sending to NGC.
- CD/DVD/Flash drive and schedule will not be returned.

SIZE KEY FOR FLOWER SHOWS

1. Clubs - of 20 or fewer members
 2. Clubs - of 21–50 members
 3. Clubs - of 51+
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FLOWER SHOW CLASSIFICATIONS

See pages 6 – 9 of the *NGC Handbook for Flowers Shows, rev 2017* for complete descriptions of **NGC Flower Show Categories**.

- A. General Show
 1. Small-Standard Show
 2. Placement Show
- B. Petite Show
- C. Holiday(s) and/or Patriotic Shows
- D. Participation with Fairs
- E. Show Co-sponsored with a Plant Society
- F. NGC Specialty Flower Show
 1. Horticulture Specialty Flower Show
 2. Design Specialty Flower Show

Classification Example: The Award number for a Holiday Show presented by a club of 21 members would be written 5C.

REGISTRATION DEADLINE: 2 months before show (3 months is advisable)

See the NGC website for directions on compiling a Book of Evidence.

REGISTER A FLOWER SHOW WITH THIS CHAIRMAN AND YOU WILL BE SENT ALL THE INFORMATION AND FORMS NEEDED FOR AWARDS.

Copy and complete the registration form below and mail or email to:

Brynn Tavasci, Chairman
27507 43rd Ave S
Auburn, WA 98001-1122
brynn-tavasci@comcast.net

Please indicate which of the awards you plan to include in your schedule.

FLOWER SHOW REGISTRATION FORM

Club _____ # of Members _____

District _____ # of Clubs _____

Show Chairman _____

Address _____ City/zip _____

Phone # _____ E-mail _____

Judges Chairman _____

Address _____ City/zip _____

Title _____ WSFGC Award# _____

Date of Show _____

of Judges Evaluating Show _____ # of Student Judges _____

The following are available to be sent to the show chairman

- Selection Forms for Judges and Application Forms for nominated Exhibitors of:
 - Betty Belcher Horticulture Award
 - Terry Critchlow Photography Award
 - Phyllis Danielson Table Setting Award
 - Carolyn Erickson All Fresh Design Award
 - JoAnn Goldman Artistic Craft Award
 - Judith Juno Petite Award
 - Carol Klingberg Educational Award
 - Marva Lee Peterschick Arboreal Flowering Shrub Award
 - Ellen B. Swenson Flower Arranging Award
 - Margaret Titlow Staging Award (District Show)
 - Brynn Tavasci Recycling Award
 - June Willard Staging Award (Clubs)

Forms necessary to prepare a book of evidence, helpful hints, appropriate evaluation forms and more will be sent when the show is registered.

FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE AWARDS—Jeanette Pruin

DEADLINE—JANUARY 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

NGC Flower Show Schedule Scale of Points (pages 135-138 in *NGC's Handbook for Flower Shows, rev 2017*) will be used to judge all schedules.

In a large envelope, send one Flower Show Schedule Award Application Form FS 101, along with three schedules. Use Size Key and Categories as listed under Flower Show Awards on pages 58-59 in this Directory.

General Information—A schedule should include the club name and district, name of place where show was held plus address including city, state and zip code. It should include hours for viewing, entering, and removal time, theme, number of members in the club or district, President's name and names of Show Chairman (s) and phone numbers.

Appeal—Convenient size, attractive durable cover, emphasize the theme in artistic beauty. Inside should be neat, easily read in large enough type, and organized with theme adaptable throughout the divisions. A schedule should inspire exhibitors to enter.

National Objectives—Proper division of Horticulture and Design stressing freshly cut plant material, correctly named horticulture and proper horticulture terms; nationally accredited judges (but do not publish their names); and required Special Exhibits. Fully explain all awards being given and designate classes eligible for each. Mention who may enter and where. Include a Scale of Points. When in doubt, consult the 2017 edition of *The Handbook for Flower Shows* or contact Flower Show Schedule Coordinator.

The Verna Armstrong Presidents Award will be awarded to the best flower show schedule for a flower show given by a Garden Club. The Schedule Awards Chairman will advise the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS

PRESIDENT'S AWARDS—Billie Fitch DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Use WSFGC Awards Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) unless otherwise noted in award description. Applications and Books of Evidence should be sent as noted in each award. Check individual award for Book of Evidence requirements. Presidents' Traveling Trophies must be returned to this Chairman on or before the State Board Meeting just prior to Convention.

VERNA ARMSTRONG SCHEDULE AWARD – Jeanette Pruin DEADLINE—JANUARY 15 TO FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE AWARDS CHAIRMAN

A traveling silver award may be given to a Garden Club for the Flower Show Schedule judged best for a Standard Flower Show and following the Flower Show Schedule Award requirements. The Flower Show Schedule Awards Chairman will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

MARGERY V. BARDON DISTRICT NEWSLETTER AWARD DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO WSFGC PUBLICATION CHAIRMAN

This traveling silver tray may be given annually to the District with a newsletter judged most outstanding in the state for furthering garden club activities and objectives. Districts will not be eligible for the award for more than two consecutive years. See "Publication Awards" for requirements. The Publication Chairman will notify the Presidents' Award Chairman of the winning District newsletter.

ELIZABETH BARRETT MEMBERSHIP AWARDS NO APPLICATION NECESSARY

Winners are calculated as of December 31 by the WSFGC Dues Secretary. A traveling silver bowl will be given to the District showing the greatest increase in membership each year in two categories.

1. Greatest percentage membership increase.
2. Greatest overall membership increase.

BETTY BELCHER HORTICULTURE AWARD
DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC HORTICULTURE
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Available to a WSFGC member only. This is an award for Excellence in Horticulture. Selection at a Standard Flower Show makes the exhibitor eligible to apply for the traveling silver trophy given annually at the WSFGC Convention. Grower may enter any number of times with different specimens and from different shows. Only one nominee per show is permitted. Each Book of Evidence must contain the Betty Belcher Horticulture Award Application Form, supplied by the Flower Show Chairman. Book of Evidence is sent to the WSFGC Horticulture Awards Chairman, who will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

PAT CRAWFORD ARBOR DAY AWARD
DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO ARBOR DAY CHAIRMAN

Available to clubs only. A traveling silver award may be presented to a garden club for the best Arbor Day project. Submit WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019). Arbor Day Chairman will notify Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

TERRY CRITCHLOW PHOTOGRAPHY AWARD
DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

A traveling frame may be awarded annually to the most outstanding photo entered in a NGC Flower Show. Only one nominee per show is permitted. Photo must score 95 points or more to qualify. Book of Evidence must include the Terry Critchlow Award Application, supplied by the Flower Show Chairman. Scale of points page 131 of the *Handbook for Flower Shows*. The award ribbon will be a small blue on blue rosette.

**PHYLLIS DANIELSON TABLE SETTING AWARDS
THREE TRAVELING SILVER AWARDS**

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Awarded for the most outstanding table settings in a Table Section of a Small Standard Flower Show or a Standard Flower Show. The show must have a minimum of three classes in the Table Section with any combination of Functional, Exhibition or Petite (Functional and/or Exhibition) table classes with four entries per class. Winners of Blue ribbon exhibits scoring 95 or more are eligible. Awards will be in (1) Functional, (2) Exhibition and (3) Petite (Functional and/or Exhibition) Table Settings.

Nominee must submit a Book of Evidence to the Presidents Award Chairman. Include Phyllis Danielson Table Setting Award Application. One nomination for each type may be made in the same show if requirements for each are met.

BERTA DEMING BLUE RIBBON AWARD

DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS AWARDS CHAIRMAN

May be given to the person with the most blue ribbons earned in Standard Flower Shows. Exhibitor must be a member of WSFGC. The same person may not win the award in consecutive years. Blue ribbons can be earned in horticulture, design or special exhibits divisions. Submit a WSFGC Awards Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019), a list of all shows entered, and the number of ribbons won in each division (first, second, third) to Presidents Awards Chairman. Judging is based on 60% horticulture and 40% design/special exhibits or the reverse. Second and third place ribbons will be counted to break ties.

LOIS DONAHUE WSFGC AWARD OF ACHIEVEMENT

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS AWARDS CHAIRMAN

A certificate and \$50.00 may be awarded to a WSFGC member who has made a noteworthy contribution toward NGC objectives. These include horticulture, therapy gardens, civic beautification, flower shows, birds, wildflowers, junior and high school gardening or any worthy contribution within the state of Washington. Nominations for this award will be made by the nominee's District in a letter (no more than five single-sided pages) of recommendation to the Presidents Awards Chairman.

This award is the top award offered to an individual in our state. The winner may be sent on to the Pacific Region of Garden Clubs for consideration for the NGC Award of Honor. The applicant must be nominated by their district.

CAROLYN ERICKSON ALL FRESH DESIGN AWARD

DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

A traveling sculpture may be awarded annually to the most outstanding design, using all fresh plant material, in the entire Design Division of a Standard Flower Show. The fresh plant material must be dominant in the design. Decorative wood is not permitted. (Refer to Tricolor Rules, Pages 43, *NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, rev 2017*) Only one nominee per show is permitted. Design must score 95 or above. A Book of Evidence is required using the Carolyn Erickson All Fresh Design Award Application Form, supplied by the Flower Show Chairman. The award ribbon will be a hot pink rosette.

JOANN GOLDMAN ARTISTIC CRAFT AWARD

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Available to a WSFGC member only. This award of excellence is for an Artistic Craft exhibited in the Special Exhibits Division of a Standard Flower Show. Selection at a Standard Flower Show makes the exhibitor eligible to apply for the traveling silver trophy given at the WSFGC Convention. The application form is supplied by the Flower Show Chairman.

The Book of Evidence shall include completed JoAnn Goldman Artistic Craft Award Application Form, one clear close-up color photograph taken at the show, list of plant material/s, accessories and/or features used, and a paragraph describing the Artistic Craft.

M. CERITA GOODY CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

DEADLINE-DECEMBER 1 TO COMMUNITY ENHANCEMENT CHAIRMAN

Available only to clubs. This traveling silver award may be given to the best state project for Community Beautification. Community Beautification Chairman will notify Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

VIOLET GOSE CLUB ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC HONOR CLUBS CHAIRMAN

This traveling silver bowl may be given to the highest scoring Honor Club application. The Honor Clubs Chairman will determine the winner and notify the Presidents Award Chairman.

JUDITH JUNO PETITE DESIGN AWARD

DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Award is available only to a WSFGC member. The highest scoring Petite Design in a NGC Standard Flower Show is eligible. One nominee per show is permitted. Nominee may apply for the award by submitting a book of evidence using the Judith Juno Petite Award application form. Include one clear photograph and a detailed description of the design including plant material with horticultural nomenclature. This traveling award is a petite acrylic container. The award ribbon will be a small rosette of emerald green and pale peach.

CAROL KLINGBERG EDUCATIONAL AWARD

DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

This is an award for the best Educational Exhibit in a Standard Flower Show. Winning a show award makes the exhibitor eligible to apply for this traveling silver trophy given annually at the WSFGC Convention. The Book of Evidence must contain the Carol Klingberg Educational Award Application Form supplied by the Flower Show Chairman.

MARIAN LARSEN 100% WASHINGTON GARDEN & DESIGN SUBSCRIPTION AWARD

NO APPLICATION NEEDED

A traveling award may be given to the District with the highest percentage of clubs with 100% *Washington Garden & Design* Subscriptions. Winner is determined as of December 31 by *Washington Garden & Design* Subscription Chairman, who will then notify the Presidents Awards Chairman.

MARIANNE LARSON CLUB NEWSLETTER AWARD

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO WSFGC PUBLICATION CHAIRMAN

This travelling silver award may be given annually to the Garden Club whose newsletter is judged the most outstanding in the State. (See “Publication Award” for requirements.) The Publication Awards Chairman will notify Presidents Award Chairman of the winner.

ROBERTA LOTHIAN ENVIRONMENTAL AWARENESS AWARD

**DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO WSFGC ENVIRONMENTAL
CONSERVATION CHAIRMAN**

A traveling silver punch bowl may be awarded to the club with the best overall program concentrating on Environmental Awareness.

Conservation/Environmental Concerns Chairman will notify Presidents Awards Chairman of winner of Roberta Lothian Award. Submit WSFGC Awards Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

JOYCE LOUNSBERRY GARDEN THERAPY AWARD - TBA

**DEADLINE –DECEMBER 1 TO WSFGC AWARDS
CHAIRMAN TERRY CRITCHLOW**

This Traveling Award is available annually to a club for the most outstanding work using Active Garden Therapy as an aid in the rehabilitation of physically or mentally challenged individuals, either or both youth and seniors. Submit WSFGC Awards Application (GA #128, revised 2019) to the Therapy Gardens Chairman who will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winning entry. A Book of Evidence must include a list of materials used, clear photos of the completed work, a description of the Garden Therapy process, and where the therapy took place. See additional definitions in the Therapy Gardens Chairman section of this Directory. The award ribbon will be a peach-colored rosette.

Active Therapy – involving physically or mentally challenged persons in garden related activities such as gardening, field trips, study of birds, nature and conservation.

SHIRLEY MONGER WILDFLOWER AWARD

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION CHAIRMAN

These traveling silver awards may be given to a garden club member, Club, or District for the best overall project or program on wildflower preservation. Wildflowers and native plants must predominate in all projects. Submit WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019), written description of project, planting diagram with listing of plants (common and botanical names), pictures (at least one before and one after) and publicity, if any. There are two awards—one for programs, and one for projects.

1. Programs: may be a single program or series of programs on wildflower education for clubs or youth groups.
2. Projects: may include plantings at rural highways, urban highways and rest stops, and establishing wildflower gardens, memorial gardens, etc.

**ANN MURRAY (MABRY) JUDGES COUNCIL
EDUCATIONAL AWARD**

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENT'S AWARDS
CHAIRMAN

A traveling silver trophy may be awarded to a District Judges Council for a single project making the most outstanding educational contribution to garden club members or the public. Submit WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) to the Presidents Awards Chairman.

**MARVA LEE PETERSCHICK ARBOREAL FLOWERING
SHRUB / TREE AWARD**

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC HORTICULTURE
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Available only to a WSFGC member. This is an award for Specimen Excellence in flowering trees and shrubs. Selection at a Standard Flower Show makes the exhibitor eligible to apply for the traveling crystal bowl given annually at the WSFGC Convention. Grower may enter any number of times with different specimens and from different shows. Only one nominee per show is permitted.

Each Book of Evidence must contain the Marva Lee Peterschick Arboreal Horticulture Award Application Form, supplied by the Flower Show Chairman. Book of Evidence will include one clear color photograph of winning exhibit that also shows the award ribbon and includes the proper botanical name. It will be sent to the WSFGC Horticulture Awards Chairman, who will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner. If the show is offering an NGC Arboreal Top Exhibitor Award, the nominee for this award would be chosen from the Arboreal Award winners if the exhibit is a flowering shrub or tree in bloom. The award ribbon will be a lime green rosette

JEANETTE PRUIN YOUTH INVOLVEMENT AWARD

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 15 TO YOUTH INVOLVMENT CHAIRMAN

Traveling silver awards may be given annually to a club or district for an outstanding comprehensive program or onetime event involving youth at any level. The High School and Junior/Intermediate Youth Chairmen will submit the best entry from their age level to the Presidents Awards Chairman, who will select the winning entry.

1. One time event
2. Continuing program

GLAD REUSCH CORSAGE AWARD

DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO CORSAGE CHAIRMAN

Requires one or more of the following three categories.

1. One corsage workshop for club members
2. Club sponsored demonstration/workshop for youth groups
3. Clubs working with senior citizens and senior facilities

Corsage Chairman will notify the Presidents Awards Chairman of the winner.

ELLEN B. SWENSON FLOWER ARRANGEMENT AWARD

**DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN**

Available to a WSFGC member only. A traveling metal sculpture may be awarded annually to the most outstanding arrangement in a Standard Flower Show. The highest-scoring arrangement entered will not necessarily be the winner, and the same designer may not be chosen two years in succession. Selection at a Standard Flower Show makes the exhibitor eligible to apply for the trophy, given annually at the WSFGC Convention.

Only one nominee per show is permitted. Design must score 95 or above and be selected from the Top Exhibitor Awards in the Design Division and Botanical Arts Division that are offered and awarded. Designer applies for award using application form supplied by the Flower Show Chairman. A designer may enter any number of entries for this award; each entry requires a separate Book of Evidence.

BRYNN TAVASCI RECYCLED ART AWARD

**DEADLINE – FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN**

Award is available to a WSFGC member only. This traveling trophy may be awarded annually to the best indoor or outdoor work of art created using mostly recycled materials. The WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019) must include a list of the materials used, a description of the creative process, and a clear photo of the completed work of art. The SCALE OF POINTS FOR RECYCLING AWARD will be used to judge this award. See Recycling Awards for the scale. This award entry need not have been entered in a flower show.

**MARGARET TITLOW DISTRICT FLOWER SHOW
STAGING AWARD**
DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

This award may be given annually to a District for outstanding overall staging of a Standard Flower Show. The award is a traveling silver coffee and tea service. Book of Evidence will include detailed information about theme, staging, overall staging and a floor plan. At least three colored photographs of the staging must be included.

JUNE WILLARD CLUB FLOWER SHOW STAGING AWARD
DEADLINE - FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Traveling trophies may be given annually for outstanding overall staging of a Standard Flower Show to:

- A. A Single Club
- B. Combined Clubs (fewer than 5)

The Book of Evidence will include detailed information about theme staging, overall staging and a floor plan. At least three colored photographs of the staging must be included.

HELEN WOLFF CLUB PROGRAM AWARDS
DEADLINE—FEBRUARY 1 TO WSFGC PRESIDENTS
AWARDS CHAIRMAN

Two traveling silver trophies may be given for club programs judged most outstanding in NGC objectives.

Categories:

- 1. Clubs with 29 or fewer members
- 2. Clubs with 30 or more members.

Qualifications:

- 1. Program should stimulate interest in gardening.
- 2. Program is to be presented at a single meeting and may be given by one or more persons.
- 3. Program must be adaptable for presentation to other clubs of comparable size.

Requires at least three topics on the same subject (two may be brief).
Submit WSFGC Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

YOUTH AWARDS

YOUTH INVOLVEMENT AWARDS—Dorrie Carr

DEADLINE—DECEMBER 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Junior/Intermediate—\$20 each for these 6 awards

To a Senior Club contributing the most outstanding service toward gardening among youth.

1. a. Sponsoring a Junior/Intermediate Club
- b. School projects, youth fairs, etc.

To a Junior/Intermediate Club for

2. Total program for one year
3. Horticultural activity
4. Flower Show
5. Conservation or Recycling project

Submit WSFGC Application Award Form (GA #128, revised 2019). Chairman will notify Presidents Awards Chairman of the winning entries for the Jeanette Pruin Youth Involvement Award.

HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH AWARDS—vacant **DEADLINE—DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN**

\$25.00 is awarded in each of these two categories.

1. Total program for one year
2. Civic Beautification

Awards are for projects completed during the calendar year. Submit WSFGC Award Application Form (GA #128, revised 2019).

POETRY CONTEST—Diane Franchini

2023-2024 THEME: "I Spy With My Little Eye, Something Green Outside - Celebrating Our Green World"

DEADLINE DECEMBER 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Now is the time to excite and encourage our Youth to express and explore their creative thoughts through different types of poetry. NGC's Poetry Contest enables our Youth to embrace their creativity through the art of writing. Be imaginative and join the winners to see your poetry in a printed booklet!

Eligibility—Students in grades K–9

Contest Rules:

1. All entries must be typed and titled.
2. Include name, address, age, grade and school of the participant on the BACK of entry.
3. Sponsoring garden club and state garden club name must also be identified.
4. Sponsoring garden club may be that of a grandparent.
5. All entries become the property of NGC, Inc.
6. Poems do not have to rhyme.
7. Poems may be traditional verse, acrostics, blank verse, cinquains, diamond poems, limerick, or Haiku.
8. The theme should not be used as the title to any poetry. When judging, the title is worth 10 points.

A State prize certificate will be presented for each grade for 1st, 2nd, and 3rd place. \$20.00 will be awarded to the poem with the highest points out of all entries, Kindergarten through 9th grades.

SCALE OF POINTS FOR POETRY

Title.....	10
Content.....	40
Creativity	30
Style	<u>20</u>
TOTAL.....	<u>100</u>

POLLINATOR CONSERVATION—Mary Lou Paulson

DEADLINE – DECEMBER 1 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

Reference NGC's gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2020-07/ngc-pollinator-power.pdf

Bees are the WSFGC Focal Pollinator for 2023-2024

Awarded for an outstanding comprehensive program for the protection and welfare of Pollinators, such as creating a garden in a public or private space or schools; habitat protection, protection of migratory routes, public education, establishment of pollinator gardens at a school or community site, or other. Winning entry may be sent by this chairman to state chairman for entry into NGC Pollinator Gardens Award. (E-5)

Categories:

- D. High School Gardeners
 - E. Junior/Intermediate Gardeners
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POLLINATOR POWER POSTER CONTEST

DEADLINE— FEBRUARY 1 TO DISTRICT CHAIRMAN
FOR JUDGING

District to send only 1st place poster in each grade level

Reference NGC's gardenclub.org/sites/default/files/2020-07/ngc-pollinator-power.pdf

This contest is to encourage the appreciation of pollinators. There is a \$10.00 cash award for the best pollinator poster in each grade level, K-12. Computer posters accepted and judged separately.

1. Poster size 8.5" x 11". Do not fold or use glitter.
2. On the back of the poster include: Name, Grade, School, Home Address, Sponsoring Garden Club, Address, and District.

Posters will be judged using the following criteria:

Art

Colorful

Effective use of space on the paper

Creativity

Knowledge

Appropriate anatomy

Appropriate habitat

Demonstrates pollinator's
importance

RECYCLED SCULPTURE, NGC YOUTH CONTEST – RACHEL JENNINGS

DEADLINE: DECEMBER 15 TO THIS CHAIRMAN

This contest celebrates creativity and environmentalism by combining them into one activity. Children in 4th through 8th grade are asked to create a sculpture using recyclable, reused, or reduced materials. The sculpture must be able to fit on to an 8 ½ inch by 11 inch sheet of paper. Entries should include as many photographs that can be printed on the back of the 8 ½ by 11 inch entry form. Two 4x6 photos are advised. Entry form available from National Garden Clubs website: www.gardenclub.org. Please include: the child's name, age and school; the address of the sponsoring club's president as a contact, the name of the club; district; a short paragraph of 3 to 5 sentences describing the sculpture; and a list of materials used. Contest winners sculpture photo will be printed in *The National Gardener* and included in a special booklet.

SMOKEY BEAR / WOODSY OWL—Evie Marwood

**DEADLINE — DECEMBER 15—TO DISTRICT CHAIRMAN DEADLINE —
JANUARY 15—DISTRICT WINNERS TO THIS CHAIRMAN**

First through Fifth grade students are invited to demonstrate their understanding of fire prevention and basic environmental conservation principles through original drawings of Smokey Bear or Woodsy Owl.

General Poster Rules:

- All poster entrees must be sponsored by a local Garden Club.
- Posters must feature Smokey Bear or Woodsy Owl and must not feature both together.
- Smokey Bear posters must include Smokey's fire prevention message: "Only You Can Prevent Wildfires!"
- * Woodsy Owl posters must include Woodsy's conservation message: "Lend a Hand, Care for the Land!"
- Posters should encourage children to take a personal role in preventing wildfires or conserving natural resources.
- Each entry should be 11" x 17" in size.
- Materials that can be used include crayons, markers, poster paints, watercolors, etc.
- No three-dimensional posters, computer scanned, or electronically generated images will be accepted.
- The artist's name, address, home phone number, grade level, school, teacher's name, city, and state must be printed on the back of the poster in the lower right corner. Each poster must also show the name of the sponsoring local Garden Club. (Do not use a dark marker for this information as it may show through.)

- Since Smokey Bear and Woodsy Owl are official icons protected by law, the colors of their clothing need to be accurate. Check the colors on the website www.fs.usda.gov/learn/kids.
- Students should be reminded to check spelling. Posters with spelling errors will be disqualified.
- **Garden Clubs** must submit their five winning posters (one in each grade 1–5) to their District Chairman **no later than December 15**.
- **The District Chairman** must submit the five District winners (one in each grade 1–5) to the State Chairman **no later than January 15**.
- **The State Chairman** must submit the five State winners (one in each grade 1–5) to the Pacific Region Chairman **no later than February 15**.
- Posters are not returned.

Poster Tips:

- A good poster is bold and simple in design.
- Its message is easily understood and is delivered in both the picture and in text.
- Promotional and educational materials are available at www.symbols.gov.
- Posters will be judged for originality, design, slogan, artwork, and overall effectiveness of the message.

The NGC Grand Prize National Poster Contest Winner will be honored with a Recognition Ceremony in Washington, D.C., including round trip airfare and accommodations for four for a 4 day/3 night stay.

National Garden Clubs, Inc. will award \$50 to each of the first-place national winners.