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2023-2025 AWARD HANDBOOK

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*“Celebrating 100 Years”*

FFGC Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold

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## ABOUT THIS HANDBOOK

FFGC bestows over 100 awards at the annual convention. Applying for an award has seemed daunting to new members. This handbook seeks to simplify the process by one complete awards handbook with clear and consistent language and less redundancy.

1. The awards are grouped by type and then by award number.
2. Each page has a big header so you always know where you are.
3. The header of each new group lists how to submit your award. It is often the same person, but not always. If there is anything different about a single award, it will be included under that award. Only content that is different or contrary to the norm is included in the award description. Otherwise, it is always the person listed at the beginning.

The RESOURCE page is at the end of the document contains sample forms and other useful information. Always download the application form from the website and not from this document.

**APPLY! ASK QUESTIONS!** Ask your club president, your district director, the Awards Chair, the President, but please ask. Don't be shy. There is no award for shyness.

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# STATE AWARDS RULES

FFGC AWARDS CHAIR, SANDRA ARNOLD

Email: FLawards2024@gmail.com

ALL applications must be submitted to the State Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold, by Nov 22, *unless* stated otherwise within the award description.

## STATE RULES

1. To win an award, the entry must merit the award and follow the rules for application. The Awards Committee reserves the right to place the entry in a different award category if the entry complies with another award.
2. Applicants must use the most current application form which lists topics to be addressed, along with any supporting data. Flower Show and Flower Show Achievement awards and Flower Show Related Awards have their own application forms. Find them in the RESOURCES page.
3. Each application has a three (3) page limit, using only the front of each page. The application form counts as page one.
4. No clubs, circles, or individuals may win the same award two years in succession; however, when it is an award for an individual project, a different individual in the same club or circle may win in successive years.
5. When the same project is eligible for various awards, submitting exact duplication of the application is not acceptable. A significant change must be evident in the summary regarding the projects.
6. Binders and vinyl sheet protectors are no longer required or allowed.
7. If an award is sent electronically, the posted date on the email must meet application deadlines and the Award Chairman must send a reply that the award was received. If you do not receive an e-mail confirmation that your award has been received, please contact the Award chairman immediately.
8. Application forms are also available on the FFGC website [www.ffgc.org/awards](http://www.ffgc.org/awards).
9. You no longer have to submit photo releases in applications; however, you affirm that you have acquired permission and convey permission to FFGC to use the images/photos/videos, and the images, photos/videos do not violate or infringe the copyright or other proprietary or intellectual property rights of others. Releases are no longer required for photos taken at a public event or in a public space.

**AWARD PERIOD:** The award period is for projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023. *Projects that occur between Nov 22-Dec 31, 2023, may submit late, but will not be forwarded to Deep South Garden Clubs or National Garden Club for consideration of their awards.*

**DEADLINE:** **Nov. 22, 2023, unless stated otherwise.** If date is otherwise, it will be specified in the award description. *The deadline will not be repeated throughout unless it is different than Nov 22.*

**IMPORTANT INFORMATION:** FFGC, Deep South Garden Clubs and NGC Awards are separate award programs. ALL applications must be submitted to the State Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold, by the stated deadline. *Do not send any applications elsewhere.* Winners of the Yearbook Award, Pressbook Award and Member Award of Honor are the only FFGC awards that are automatically forwarded to the next level of awards competition.

**BOOK OF EVIDENCE (BOE):** The awards that require a BOE and basic directions for how to create a BOE are located on page 7. In general, no documents will be returned to you. Photo releases are no longer required; however, by submitting your application, you affirm you have the required permissions and those permissions are granted to FFGC. (See General Rules #9 below.)

# GENERAL SCALE OF POINTS RUBRIC

SCALE OF POINTS FOR FFGC AWARDS #1-78  
(EXCEPT WHERE OTHERWISE NOTED IN THE INDIVIDUAL AWARD DESCRIPTION)  
THE SCALE OF POINTS EXPLAINS THE CRITERIA USED TO JUDGE YOUR APPLICATION.

**PRESENTATION: ..... 5 POINTS**

Neat, concise, includes all required information on the FFGC Awards Application Form.

**ACHIEVEMENT: ..... 65 POINTS**

Scope of project, need and fulfillment, benefit, accomplishment, comprehensiveness of work, activities to attain goals, evaluation of goals reached, educational value, 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, or other. Not all of these have to be involved.

**RECORD AND DOCUMENTATION: ..... 15 POINTS**

Supporting data (as applicable); clear, well-labeled and neatly attached before and after photographs (if applicable); landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn); financial report; letters of appreciation; community awards; For newspaper/magazine articles and radio/TV script (if possible), etc., photocopies are permitted.

**TOTAL: ..... 100 POINTS**

**OTHER RUBRICS OR SCALE OF POINTS MAY BE USED INSIDE SOME AWARDS. ALWAYS USE THE ONE LISTED WITH THE AWARD OVER THE GENERAL RUBRIC (SCALE OF AWARDS).**

## BOOK OF EVIDENCE (BOE) *See Sample on page 75.*

A Book of Evidence (BOE) is required for some awards because they do not fit on a single page award application and/or the extent of accomplishment requires more than a three-page application. Always defer to specific instructions within any award description. *These awards require a Book of Evidence:*

- # 1 Blanche Capel Covington
- # 8 Garden Club of the Year
- # 10 Mentoring Award
- # 13 Publications must also be mailed
- # 28 Horticulture Leadership Award
- # 62 Mary S. Compton Awards for Publicity (Publicity Press Book) **Due 1/15**  
Flower Show Achievement Awards **Due 11/30**

### **GUIDELINES FOR COMPLETING A BOOK OF EVIDENCE (BOE) — (PROOF OF ACCOMPLISHMENT)**

1. Use a lightweight, solid color, theme type binder, size not to exceed 8.5” x 11.” **NO RING BINDERS ALLOWED.**
2. A plain label with the following information should be placed on the cover:
  - Award # - Name - Category/Class or Section
  - District #
  - Name of Club, Circle, or group of clubs and city
3. At the top of page one, please include Award #, Name, Category/Class or Section; District #; name of club, circle, or group of clubs and City; percentage of members participating (when required by award rules). No Table of Contents is required.
4. Paperclip two copies of the completed ***FFGC Awards Application Form*** to the inside front cover of the binder.
5. The summary should be written on the lower part of the FFGC Award Application Form. The summary should be brief and require no more than the space on the lower part of the application form. No additional pages are allowed on the FFGC Award Application Form.
6. Submit your BOE to the proper address as listed in that award description by the stated deadline.
7. Presentation:
  - Do not exceed six (6) pages, front and back, for a maximum of 12 surfaces.
  - Use standard 8.5” x 11” paper.
8. Written Text:
  - All text must be typed. Be concise.
  - Follow all requirements in award description and Scale of Points.
  - BOE must include text and not just photographs with labels.
  - Photographs may be interspersed throughout text or following text.
9. Please send by regular mail without special services, or overnight if you waited too long. Use a sturdy box or Priority Mail Packet to prevent damage in shipping.
10. Return of Materials – **BOEs will not be returned.** Make a copy for your records.

A *Book of Evidence (BOE)* and *Yearbook Award applications* are mailed to the addresses noted on the awards that require a BOE. **Also**, email page one to the Award Chair so the committee will know to expect a BOE or a Yearbook application and will wait for the documents to arrive in the mail.

**SEE MORE INCLUDING A BOE SAMPLE UNDER RESOURCES AT THE END OF THE DOCUMENT (PAGE 75).**

## CATEGORY/CLASS AND SECTION CLARIFIED

1. Only members of FFGC are eligible for state awards.
2. Junior, Intermediate, High School Garden Clubs, Individual Youth must be sponsored by a garden club to be eligible for specific FFGC and NGC awards. A member of a garden club may sponsor on behalf of the garden club.
3. Winners of all awards shall be kept secret until announced at the Annual Meeting.

### CLARIFICATION OF CATEGORY / CLASS / AND SECTION

#### CATEGORY REFERS TO SIZE BASED ON CLUB MEMBERSHIP AND ENABLES SMALL CLUBS TO COMPETE AGAINST LARGER CLUBS

1. Clubs/Circles under 20 members
2. Clubs/Circles with 20-29 members
3. Clubs/Circles with 30-44 members
4. Clubs/Circles with 45-69 members
5. Clubs/Circles with 70-99 members
6. Clubs/Circles with 100-299 members
7. Clubs/Circles over 300 members

#### CLASS REFERS TO DIFFERENT OPTIONS AVAILABLE WITHIN AN AWARD.

For example, see award #17 on page ##.

Class A, Class B, or Class C

#### SECTION DEFINES WHO IS ELIGIBLE TO APPLY FOR THE AWARD.

- |           |                   |
|-----------|-------------------|
| Section 1 | Club or Circle    |
| Section 2 | Individual Member |
| Section 3 | District          |



# HOW TO APPLY FOR AN FFGC AWARD

**1 INFORMATION:** Every award has an number and probably a category and class. Refer to the Table of Contents to see the complete list of categories. At the top, along with the Award #, the forms asks for the Category/Class or Section. **Category (1-7) refers to the size of your club** and may be found on page 4. It will not be repeated on every individual award description to avoid redundancy. **Classes A, B, and C describe the different options within an award. Sections (1-3), describes who is eligible to apply for a particular award--club or circle, individual member or district.**

The award application form is a single, fillable PDF document and referred to as page one; however, you may submit up to two additional pages (the application plus two pages, front side only), if required, to answer the questions. That space includes images (jpeg or png), as well.

**TIP!** SAVE the PDF to your computer because you may return to it for editing before you submit it. When final, you will want to keep a copy for yourself. The key boxes expand to accept more text, but please don't over do it -- use additional pages as allowed.

**2 COMPLETE THE APPLICATION.** Answer every box that applies. Save a copy for yourself on your computer. Be sure to write in your Award # and Name. (See sample award application on the RESOURCES page at the end of this handbook.)

**3 SUBMIT THE APPLICATION** to the Chair of your award by the deadline as stated on their application via **EMAIL**, *unless otherwise stated. For most awards, that will be November 22 and emailed to [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com).*

*Below is a sample cover email for submitting your award to the designated Award Chair.*

From: You (your email address)  
To: [FLAwards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLAwards2024@gmail.com) (most of the first 81 awards)  
Date: on or before November 22, 2023  
Re: Award # Award Name, Club Name

Attached is a copy of an application for Award #12, Award Name. (If your award is one that requires a Book of Evidence, please follow directions on page 7.)

ATTACH YOUR FILE and include an email signature in your email with full contact information. If you have supporting pages of images or other, attach that as well.

EMAIL THE AWARD CHAIR FOR THAT APPLICATION.





## FFGC Awards Application 2023-2025

FFGC Awards Chair **Sandra Arnold** | (352) 870-6161 | FLawards2024@gmail.com

**Deadline: November 22, 2023, unless stated otherwise.**

The award period is projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023.  
Projects that occur between Nov 22-Dec 31 may submit late but only for FFGC awards.

AWARD #: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY (1-6) \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS (A-D): \_\_\_\_\_ AWARD NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_ # CLUB/CIRCLE MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
PRES. NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
President's phone \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Person submitting \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE COMPLETE EACH TOPIC, IF APPLICABLE.

1. Is your project new? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ START DATE \_\_\_\_\_ END DATE \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you applied for any other awards for this project? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
-if yes, please list other awards applied for:
3. Please include a brief summary and objectives of the project:

# SAMPLE FFGC AWARD APPLICATION

4. Describe the involvement of other club members, other organizations, etc.:
5. Project expenses and/or means of funding:
6. Continuing involvement, follow-up, or maintenance:
7. Attach or insert photos, evidence, and/or landscape plan (it does not need to be professionally drawn)

**NOTE: This application is meant to be one page. If your responses require more space than provided, you may attach up to **two (2)** more pages to complete any information on questions # 3-7 above.**

# LEADERSHIP AWARDS #1—10

*Awards 1-10 are decided by FFGC leadership. Please use the FFGC award application and email by NOV 22 to FFGC@FFGCmail.com—EXCEPT where noted. Mail a document to FFGC, 1400 S. Denning Drive, Winter Park, FL 32789.*

Awards 1, 2, and 3 are judged by the President, First Vice President, Second Vice President, and Third Vice President.

*A garden club leader is one who accepts responsibility, provides a cooperative spirit and shares honor where honor is due in all phases of garden club work. Each Garden Club, Federation, or Council of Garden Clubs may nominate one member each year for Awards 1, 2, and 3. Circles may also nominate one member for Award #3.*

## #1 BLANCHE CAPEL COVINGTON LEADERSHIP—BOE REQUIRED

Description/Purpose: This award was established in 1943 by Mrs. Covington, a former FFGC President. It is perpetuated through a trust fund by her heirs to obtain reports of outstanding personal contributions and/or outstanding club accomplishments achieved through sustaining strong leadership by a nominee in one or more of the following areas: Civic development, horticulture therapy, youth activities, conservation, landscape design, horticulture, floral design, or all-around excellence.

Proof of accomplishment: *A Book of Evidence (BOE) is required.* It should be no more than six (6) pages, front and back, for a maximum of twelve (12) surfaces. It should include publicity, photographs, copies of citations, letters from officials and other pertinent evidence. Guidelines for preparing BOE are found on page 7.

Eligibility: Any any member who has shown exceptional leadership in various aspects of garden club work. If you have served on an NGC Board, you are ineligible for an NGC Member Award of Honor.

Award: A gift of a silver pin/pendant with a value of \$300 each be awarded to the winner. The winning nominee will be forwarded to Deep South Garden Clubs for consideration for the Member Award of Honor, if eligible. (If the winner is ineligible, winners of Awards 2 or 3 may be considered as Florida's entries for the Deep South Garden Clubs and National Member Award of Honor.

## #2 OUTSTANDING SERVICE

Description/Purpose: To recognize an individual who has, over the period of not less than two years, continuously sustained and developed any one or more phases of garden club work, with particular emphasis being given to work undertaken and promoted at the club or federation level.

Award: \$50 is offered annually for outstanding service in garden club work.

## LEADERSHIP AWARDS #1—10

### #3 LEADERSHIP

Description/Purpose: To recognize the potentialities of leadership displayed by younger (from point of affiliation) members of FFGC new to garden club work, to encourage further development of such qualities and to give clubs the opportunity to report on outstanding personal contributions, activities, and progress of such members.

Proof of Accomplishment: Nominee should display an awareness of the goals of National Garden Clubs; contribute to his/her club's or circle's progress, and serve in various posts (chairmanships, club officer, etc.); be cooperative and congenial; be willing to serve; have broad interests and shares knowledge gained with others, including non-garden club members.

Award: \$50 is offered annually to recognize leadership in worthy individuals who have been members of clubs or circles in FFGC during a period of five years but not more than seven years.

# EXCELLENCE AWARDS #1—10

The FFGC Excellence awards are based on accomplishments during the garden club year promoting Federation aims and objectives. These awards are judged by the president, first, second, and third Vice Presidents.

## #4 FFGC AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR A CLUB

Proof of accomplishment: newspaper clippings and/or pictures, must be included. Award is judged using the criteria below:

### SCALE OF POINTS

Service to the community .....	30
Civic and roadside development, city public planting, garden therapy projects, litter control programs	
Educational projects.....	40
Examples: Conservation, horticulture, landscape design, Standard Flower Shows, Organization of youth units.	
Involvement in Federation Projects .....	10
Examples: Attendance at FFGC Convention, District Meetings, Short Courses, Flower Show Symposiums, NGC Schools	
Participation .....	10
Examples: FFGC State Flower Show, Blue Star Marker, Arbor Day, Establishment of bird/butterfly/bee sanctuaries, submission for FFGC, Deep South Garden Clubs and NGC awards, goal of 100% of members receiving the <i>National Gardener</i>	
Contributions.....	10
Monetary contributions for Garden Therapy projects, Headquarters and Endowment, Wekiva Youth Camp, SEEK, World Gardening, and others.	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>100</b>

### SPECIAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS and EARLY DUE DATE:

FIRST submit two copies of entry to YOUR District Director by Nov 1.

District Director then emails award to [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com) by 11/22.

Award:         \$50 is offered.

## #5 SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award especially outstanding garden club work during the year in the three sections listed below. The application should demonstrate promotion of FFGC objectives in civic development, beautification, garden therapy, and other related areas. Youth involvement is encouraged. The uniqueness of a single project and the scope of benefit to the Club and/or District will be considered by the judges.

# EXCELLENCE AWARDS #1—10

Proof of Accomplishment: newspaper clippings, and/or pictures, must be included.

Award: \$25 is awarded to one winner from each section below.

Section 1 - Club or Circle

Section 2 - Individual Member or

Section 3 - District

## #6 MEDAL FOR INDIVIDUAL ACHIEVEMENT IN HORTICULTURE

A committee will be appointed by the FFGC President to seek and nominate candidates for this award.

Letters of recommendation stating achievements may also be sent to the **FFGC President at ttuttle1954@gmail.com**.

Award: If merited, an appropriate medal will be awarded each year to an individual, whether a garden club member or not, for outstanding horticultural achievement. This medal may be awarded in recognition of a lifetime of dedicated service in the field of horticulture or for a unique contribution of permanent scientific or technical importance, such as hybridization, genetics and propagation.

## #7 CERTIFICATE OF DISTINGUISHED SERVICE TO A STATE PRESIDENT

The Florida Federation of Garden Clubs owes much of its program and development to wise leadership. In grateful appreciation of outstanding achievement and guidance by a state president, a Certificate of Distinguished Service will be awarded upon completion of the president's term of office.

## #8 GARDEN CLUB OF THE YEAR—BOE REQUIRED

Description/Purpose: To recognize a garden club in Florida which excels in all aspects of garden club activities. The winning entry will automatically be submitted for the Deep South Garden Club of the Year Award.

Proof of Accomplishment: A *Book of Evidence (BOE) is required*. It should be no more than six (6) pages, front and back, for a maximum of 12 surfaces. *See* guidelines for preparing BOE on page 7.

The award is judged using the criteria below.

### SCALE OF POINTS:

Membership Increase (for one year).....20

# of members on 1/1

# of members on 12/31

If membership is limited, to what number?

Service..... 10

Continuing service provided by club members

Communications (describe briefly)

Other (describe briefly)

Club Programs .....20

Horticulture, Design, Environmental Concerns, and/or Regional Project.

Member participation in presenting either programs or workshops.

Describe briefly and include yearbook page copy showing programs.

# FFGC / EXCELLENCE AWARDS #1—10

Club Representation.....	20
Average # of members attending club meetings	
# of members attending Spring/Fall District Meetings	
The following numbers are not required, but will be used in case of a tie:	
# of members attending FFGC, DS Region and NGC Conventions	
Club Project(s) .....	20
Describe briefly and two photos may be included.	
Club Finances.....	10
Are dues the only source of income?	
Fundraisers – describe briefly and give amount of money raised	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	100

Award: A cash award of \$50 is offered to a garden club which excels in all the qualities stated in the Scale of Points shown above.

**MAIL** the application to the FFGC Awards Chair at FFGC Headquarters, 1400 S. Denning Drive, Winter Park, FL 32789.

## #9 SPECIAL MEMBERSHIP INCENTIVE—BOE REQUIRED

Description: Awarded every other year at the end of each administration to the Club/Circle showing the greatest increase in paid memberships, percentage-wise, to be determined from the numbers reported in the BOE, in even years. *Book of Evidence (BOE) is required.* For the most innovative activity or activities, or most outstanding effort, to increase public visibility, to increase club membership, and/or to make the public aware of the mission and activities of garden clubs; including membership brochures, leaflets, or any other publication used, as well as any publicity received. **Total number of paid members on June 1, 2023, and total number of paid members on March 15, 2025.** (Printed materials, materials for electronic publication and publicity may be attached in their entirety to the application and are not counted as part of the three-page limit.)

Proof of Accomplishment: Club/Circle must submit an application indicating TOTAL number of paid members on June 1 of the first year of administration; TOTAL number of paid members on March 15, of the second year of administration; and the total increase of membership during that time. Add this information to your application, place it in your completed BOE, and send it on or before March 20 of the second year of administration.

Award: A cash award of \$50 will be given at the end of each administration.

Class A—Club showing the greatest increase in paid memberships, percentage-wise, to be determined from the numbers reported in the BOE, in even numbered years.

Class B—Club showing the greatest increase in paid memberships, to be determined from FFGC.

Proof: A copy of total membership for the first and second year from yearbooks and checks sent to FFGC for membership is to be included in BOE. For new members added after the first membership check was submitted, provide a copy of the additional check and the list of new members.

Submission: *Submit by award due date of the second year of the Administration in even years.*

## EXCELLENCE AWARDS #1—10

### #10 MENTORING AWARD—BOE REQUIRED

Description/Purpose: A mentor goes above the call of normal garden club duties and is a loyal member willing to give assistance and/or support to garden club officers and members across the state.

Proof of Accomplishment: A *Book of Evidence (BOE) is required*. It should be no more than four (4) pages, front and back, for a maximum of eight (8) surfaces. It should include how the nominated individual has been a Mentor in garden club work within the state. Up to three actual photographs or media pictures may be included in the book.

Award: An award of \$50 plus a certificate will be offered annually to recognize an outstanding Mentor who has provided leadership, inspiration, guidance, and encouragement to a member or members of FFGC.



# PUBLICATION & SOCIAL MEDIA AWARDS #11—14a

*All awards in this category will use the FFGC single page application and submitted by email by November 22 to the FFGC Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold at [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com)—except where noted.*

## #11 YEARBOOK AWARD\*

Description/Purpose: To award Garden Clubs/Circle with the most outstanding yearbooks in each of the categories named below. Category is determined by the number of members, including Life members, for whom FFGC dues are paid. Winning entries are sent to Deep South Garden Clubs Awards Chairman for judging.

**EMAIL** Award Application page one to [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com).

Fill out the award application topics #1-6, your Yearbook topic #7 is your evidence. Fasten two copies inside the front cover. If a permanent binder is used by club members, substitute a paper cover with the required information and make note of this on application. Staple a 3” x 5” card to the cover with name and number of award, category number, district number, name of club/circle, and city.

Eligibility: All clubs and circles.

Award: An Award of \$25 is offered to all club sizes on page 4.

The Garden Club/Circle with the most outstanding Yearbooks as determined by number of members, including Life members, may be accepted for competition on the calendar year.\*Special submission: Two (2) copies of entries must be sent directly to FFGC Third Vice President Leticia Gunn, 8915 NE 9th Avenue, Miami FL 33138. Follow the instructions carefully.

## SCALE OF POINTS

Format.....	15
Book Structure. ....	2
Practical, convenient size suitable for members to read	
Cover.....	2
Include name of club, town, state organization, year, and appealing design	
Title Page. ....	2
Include name of club, town, state organization, year, # of dues paying members, and affiliated organizations (district, state, region, NGC)	
Table of Contents .....	1
Number the yearbook pages and list topics on this page. Subsequent pages can be in any order most useful to members and best fit for page placement. Information in a club yearbook should be in logical order. National and State information does not have to be in front.	
Membership Roster.....	2
Include complete mailing addresses, telephone numbers, and e-mail addresses (if applicable). Avoid crowding.	
List of Club Officers and Committee Chairmen .....	1
District, FFGC, Deep South Garden Clubs Information.....	2
Include name, contact information, and administration themes for District Director, FFGC President, and Deep South Garden Clubs Director. List website addresses for	

# PUBLICATION & SOCIAL MEDIA AWARDS #11—14a

District, as product revenue for clubs. Some fundraisers may help promote NGC Member Services as well as publicize our organization and goals.....	5
Certain social activities may lead to membership increase. State such in description.	
NGC Information.....	1
Include name and contact information for NGC President. Include theme and projects.	
List address, phone number, and website address for NGC Headquarters in St. Louis.	
(Locate this information at <a href="http://www.gardenclub.org">www.gardenclub.org</a> )	
Calendar of Events.....	2
List dates and locations for District, FFGC, DSGC, and NGC meetings and events.	
Encourage members to attend and eliminate the setting of conflicting dates.	
Programs.....	50
Topics should cover a variety of FFGC and NGC goals and objectives	
Indicate if this is a special interest club, <i>e.g.</i> , Horticulture, only; Design, only; etc.	
Meets minimum number of meetings required by FFGC .....	3
List date and time of meeting, locations with addresses .....	3
List name speakers, qualifications (brief), program title.....	4
Variety of program topics (theme not required).....	14
Variety of styles of programs (lectures, power point, tours, etc.).....	12
Variety of speakers (specialists, members, panel, etc.) .....	14
Projects.....	35
Projects involve actual membership participation that benefit the community and further FFGC/NGC Goals and Objectives. Some fund raisers may help to beautify the community, as well as produce revenue for clubs. Some fund raisers may help promote NGC Member services as well as publicize our organization and goals.	
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Certain social activities may lead to membership increase. State such in description.	5
Projects.....	35
Projects involve actual membership participation that benefit the community and further NGC Goals and Objectives. Some fund raisers may help to beautify the community, as well as produce revenue for clubs. Some fund raisers may help promote NGC Member Services as well as publicize our organization and goals.	
Certain social activities may lead to membership increase. State such in description.	
List Continuing and New Projects (new projects are not required).....	15
Write a brief description of projects. Include location, name.....	20
Include location, name of chairman, how members participate, list of donations if applicable, in-kind donations if applicable, plans for maintenance, if applicable.	
<i>e.g.</i> , Establish a Teaching Garden at Atkins Elementary School, after school program with planned curriculum, four days a week from 3-5 pm, Laurie Benson, Chairman.	
Optional information as needed by your club may be included but will not be given points.	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>100</b>

# PUBLICATION & SOCIAL MEDIA AWARDS #11—14a

## # 12 NEWSLETTER/MAGAZINE/BULLETIN

Description/Purpose: To encourage intercommunication within clubs and/or circles using newsletters.

Proof of Accomplishment: In the application, specify the number of members receiving the newsletter/publication. Also show evidence that all members receive the newsletter/publication (*i.e.*, post office stamp receipt or signed statement by member responsible for circulation.)

Submit three (3) sample issues and give the number of issues per year. Applications will be judged using the *Scale of Points listed under Award #13*. Fill out the award application topics #1-6 your Newsletter/Magazine topic #7 is your evidence.

NOTE: If your Club wants to win the NGC Newsletter Award, keep your Newsletter number of pages consistent and within these parameters.

1. Newsletter-one 8 ½ x 11” or one 8 ½ x 14” sheet of paper
2. Newsletter or Magazine of 3-12 pages
3. Newsletter, Magazine or Bulletin of 13-24 pages

## # 13 PUBLICATION

Description/Purpose: This award is available for: Manuals, Handbooks, Educational pamphlets and brochures, Membership publications, Calendars, Cookbooks, etc. This award is NOT available for a flyer or notice of one a onetime event, nor newsletters. Judges will consider the uniqueness of the project and the scope of benefit to the club and/or community.

Proof of Accomplishment: Complete the FFGC Application Form with information requested under Scale of Points.

### SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation.....	5
On the Award Application, include a brief description of the publication and the club membership. No limit on the number of pages in publication.	
Achievement. ....	65
Educational value, informative, accurate, clarity, quality of printing, photography and/or graphics, coverage received, general appeal.	
Indication that your organization is a member of NGC	
Promotes NGC Objectives.....	15
Record of Documentation.....	15
On the Award Application, include the number of copies distributed/sold and the Method of distribution. Include financial data as to cost of publishing, price, if sold, and the market seen.	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>100</b>

**MAIL** application and printed issues to: Awards Chair Sandra Arnold, 3420 SW 100 Street, Gainesville, FL 32608-9068

Categories: All clubs and districts may compete, but not individuals.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in all categories.

Submit the entry in an envelope. Attach one application to the outside of envelope and place a copy of the application inside the envelope (Use a larger envelope for mailing.)

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## # 14 DEPALMA/SILLIK WEBSITE AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize outstanding achievement in creation and maintenance of garden club websites. The site must foster the aims, purposes, and goals of FFGC and NGC.

Proof of Accomplishment: On the application form, include your website address, who maintains the site, how often it is updated, and the cost. Judges will access the website for judging and will consider ease of navigation, clarity of content, user friendliness, and accessibility.

Websites will be judged using the following criteria:

### SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation.....	25
Design/appearance; attractive, engaging, easy to read, layout Navigation: .....	35
Ease of navigation, navigation system (bar, map, etc.), Logical flow of pages, clear page headers, links active.	
Achievement: .....	20
Club/group information present/ease to find, educational Promotion. ....	10
Promotes NGC Objectives Maintenance: .....	10
Does it appear to be updated?	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	100

Submit applications to Lisa Packard, [lisacpackard@gmail.com](mailto:lisacpackard@gmail.com) by NOV 22. Winner will be forwarded to NGC to compete for NGC Award MP-3 (A) Social Media/Website.

Award: An award of \$50 is offered in the following.

Categories: All clubs and districts may compete, but not individuals.

## # 14-A FACEBOOK AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award outstanding achievement in the area of creation and maintenance of garden club Facebook page. The page must foster the aims, purposes, and goals of FFGC and NGC.

Proof of Accomplishment: In your application, include your Facebook address, who is the Administrator, who or how many others share administrative duties, how often it is updated, and the cost (if any). Judges will access the Facebook page for judging.

The site or page MUST have at least a portion available for viewing by the public, (not just club or state members) to be considered for this award. Administrators must include at least three quarterly screenshots as proof of showing growth and interest. If your page showed a significant increase in likes or followers, or a post that did significantly well in views and shares, include that in your evidence. *See Scale of Points on next page.*

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## SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation.....	25
Design/appearance; attractive, engaging, easy to read, layout “About” on Facebook clearly states being a member of NGC, FFGC and in what city their Garden Club is in.	
Social Posts.....	35
Events created, flyers, photos, number of people that have liked and following the page, sharing posts of FFGC, District and NGC, Frequency of posts (no long breaks without posting)	
Achievement.....	20
Club/group information is current, links to website or educational	
Promotes NGC and FFGC objectives in posts.....	10
Maintenance.....	10
Does it appear to be updated and the frequency? Cover picture changed from time to time? Note Date in application.	
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>100</b>

**Submit applications** to Lisa Packard, [lisacpackard@gmail.com](mailto:lisacpackard@gmail.com) by NOV 22. Winner will be forwarded to NGC to compete for NGC Award MP-3 (B) Social Media/Website.

Categories: All clubs and districts may compete, but not individuals.

## COMMUNITY PROJECTS/HISTORICAL AWARDS 15—18

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### # 15 GARDEN THERAPY GERIATRIC AND EXCEPTIONAL

Description/Purpose: To stimulate an interest in helping seniors in a supported senior living environment and the mentally and/or physically handicapped of any age through the promotion of programs, demonstrations, workshops, or instructions in a phase of garden club work (such as horticulture, flower arranging, landscaping of facility grounds, etc.)

Proof of Accomplishment: Including newspaper clippings and/or pictures.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in all categories.

### # 17 DECORATION OF HISTORIC BUILDINGS (HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD)

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award decoration of historic buildings and/or homes. Decorations are not required to be of the same period as the building, but they should be creative, distinctive, and sympathetic to the building's style. The designers participating in the decorating have complete freedom in their choice of materials if the curator or owner of the building approves. A group of historic buildings, such as in a home tour, may also be included in this award.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include photographs of the buildings with decorations.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in each of two classes listed below:

Class A - Decorations emphasizing plant material, either in its natural form or contrived.

Class B - Decorations using artificial plant material because of restrictions related to the home being decorated.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### # 18 HISTORIC PRESERVATION AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award outstanding projects of lasting value resulting in the beautification and preservation of a historic building, historic buildings, or historic gardens. This may be accomplished through working with historic preservation organizations, local community members, etc. May include restoration of a building or grounds, and/or ongoing maintenance. Annuals and perennials of the period may be included in the planting of a historic garden.

Proof of Accomplishment: You may include pictures, landscape plans, etc.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

## HORTICULTURE AWARDS #20—28

### # 20 YEAR'S HORTICULTURE PROGRAMS

Description/Purpose: To promote member interest in involvement in the field of horticulture planning, studying, growing, showing, and sharing. Documentation should include the program for the year, the activities, the goals, and the results.

Proof of Accomplishment: Documentation should include goals, a listing of the years programs, activities, and results. A minimum of four (4) principal horticulture programs are required.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### # 21 HORTICULTURAL ACHIEVEMENT

Description/Purpose: To recognize the most outstanding activities in the field of horticulture and to promote planned gardening activities in the study of horticulture by club members.

Proof of Accomplishment: Report should include an outline of the year's plan, goals, and results. Membership participation is emphasized.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### # 26 PIONEERS IN FLORIDA HORTICULTURE

Description/Purpose: This recognition is for the early horticulturists who contributed significantly to the knowledge of horticulture grown in the diverse climate of the state of Florida. Garden clubs can recognize the individuals and the plant genus or family most associated with that individual and plan garden club programs and activities featuring those plants.

Prior Winners Of Pioneers In Florida Horticulture Award

1999 – Dr. Henry Nehrling 2000 –William Bartram 2013 – Thomas A. Edison

Submission: Recommendations, with qualifications, may be sent the Awards Chair who can then bring it to the President for Executive Board.

### #28 HORTICULTURE LEADERSHIP AWARD—BOE IS REQUIRED

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award a garden club member for continued participation and leadership in horticulture on the local club level for a minimum of five (5) years.

Proof of Accomplishment: *Book of Evidence (BOE) is required*. The BOE should be no more than six (6) pages front and back for a total of twelve (12) surfaces. The information in the BOE should show that the individual nominated has:

1. Given horticulture programs to garden clubs, judge's councils, civic organizations, etc. Evidence could include a picture of the applicant giving a program or teaching a class, an article from a newspaper giving the name of the horticulturist, and description about the program, a thank you note from someone who attended the program, etc.

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- Entered and won Top NGC Exhibitor Award ribbons in horticulture in Standard Flower Shows and has served on flower show committees in some capacity. Evidence should include two entry cards with top awards indicated.
- Been involved in the community and shows initiative beyond garden club by working with youth on horticulture, sharing horticulture expertise with church, library, historic places, etc. Include a picture or news article showing the program and participation in the community.

## BOOKS OF EVIDENCE WILL BE JUDGED USING THE FOLLOWING

### SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation is neat and attractive.....	20
Summary of activities highlighting how member has shared knowledge of horticulture.....	40
Proof of accomplishments.....	40
Photos, letters, news articles, entry cards and photographs of horticulture winning top NGC awards, and publicity.	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	100

Award: \$50 is offered.

**MAIL BOE** to: Leslie Montwid, 2414 Coventry Ave., Lakeland, FL 33803 by 11/22  
**EMAIL** award application to the [FLAwards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLAwards2024@gmail.com).



### # 29 COMMUNITY SERVICE DESIGN AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award clubs that provide floral designs or container grown plants in public places.

Proof of Accomplishment: Photographs of completed works.

Class A - Community Service by a Club: A weekly or monthly exhibit of a design of designer's choice or container grown plant in a building open to the public (city hall, library, welcome station, hospital, school, etc.). Club name must be displayed. No artificial plant material permitted. Minimum number of six (6) per garden club year. The work may have been accomplished during the current year or continued from the preceding year.

Class B - Community Service by one (1) or more clubs, or group of garden club members for a one-time event, with at least six (6) designs and/or specimen plants. Designs may be placed in a tour of homes, special exhibit, churches, grand opening, or table designs for a public gathering (other than garden club activity), etc.

Award: \$25 is offered to the entry judged the best in Class A and Class B.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 30 COMMUNITY GARDENS

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the best community garden project sponsored by an FFGC garden club.

Proof of Accomplishment: A community garden is one in which everyone maintains his/her own assigned plot. These may include container gardens, vegetable and flower gardens, children's gardens, hydroponic gardens, etc. Projects may include adults or adults and youth. Extra credit will be given for those projects including youth. Pictures and landscape plans should be included.

Award: \$50 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 31 THE MADIRA BICKEL CIVIC ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award a Club/Circle for the most outstanding contribution for achieving civic beauty in the community.

Proof of Accomplishment: Inspiring civic planting projects, or city-wide cleanups; providing an active bureau of information, instructional garden center, garden plot for juniors, or providing helpful information to citizens through a continued series of radio broadcasts, newspaper articles, open lectures, or any notable effort. The work may have been accomplished during the current year or continued from the preceding year. Pictures and landscape plans should be included.

Award: An award of \$50

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 32 PARK/CITY PLANTING

Description/Purpose: To encourage garden club groups to put into practical use their knowledge of good landscape design by initiating or revising landscaping, according to the principles of landscape design on public lands.

Proof of Accomplishment: This may be a public park or grounds surrounding a public building, city or municipal public property. The planting must be inspired, designed, or initiated by a member(s) club or circle. Pictures and landscape plans should be included. Project may have been started at any time but must be completed within the year in which application is made.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### #33 CLYDE D. WARE AWARD FOR CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award outstanding civic development projects that stress community involvement.

Proof of Accomplishment: This may be a continuing project, but the major portion of worthiness must have been accomplished within the year of applying for this award. Include documentation that demonstrates the scope of the project and the extent of involvement by other community group/s and garden club members; pictures of various phases of progress; publicity, financing, landscape plan or sketch, etc.

Award: An award of \$50 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 36 COMMUNITY SERVICE AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize outstanding community service projects. This award was designed to stimulate new ideas for meeting the needs of the community and to create a closer relationship between the community and garden clubs.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include pictures, publicity, size of project, and other supporting evidence.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 37 SCHOOL GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION

Description/Purpose: To recognize a project that shows the greatest improvement in landscaping of an established school yard or in landscaping of a new school.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include before/during/after pictures; landscape plan; and a list of materials used.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 38 CIVIC BEAUTIFICATION/ GARDEN OF THE MONTH AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize the Garden Club with the most outstanding Civic Beautification Recognition Program. This award is designed for those clubs who recognize beauty in their community with a monthly award.

Proof of Accomplishment: Pictures from at least eight (8) different months must be included. Include a description of how the yards are chosen, a description or picture of how the homeowners are honored, and copies of any publicity or recognition received in the community for this project.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in the following

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 39 ARBOR DAY CELEBRATION

Description/Purpose: To recognize the Garden Club with the most comprehensive program that celebrates the planting of trees in an Arbor Day program.

Proof of Accomplishment: Pictures should be used.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

## LANDSCAPING AWARDS #40—47

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### # 40 ARLINGTON DOLLY MORRIS AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage the practical rather than theoretical application of landscape design in members' gardens. To reward progress as accomplished in different sections of the home's grounds.

Proof of Accomplishment: Includes an explanation of what was done and why; give the approximate size of landscaping and list the number and varieties of plants used; color photographs of completed project; photograph or sketch of area before landscaping was completed – take the photograph from the same view as photograph of completed project; statement that planting was done by an amateur gardener and not done by a professional landscaper.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to a member who is not a professional landscape designer.

### # 41 THE SENATOR DIRKSEN MARIGOLD AWARD

\$25 is offered each year to the club or circle landscaping a public area with an annual garden featuring marigolds.

Proof of Accomplishment: Presentation must include written statement, "Why Plant Marigolds?" Also, it must include a landscape plan, before and after photos (all seasons), letters of appreciation, news clippings, and/or additional proof.

Award: \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible

### # 42 EDIBLE GARDEN AWARD

Description and Purpose: Edible Gardening Award for the most outstanding garden of edibles, (fruits, vegetables, edible flowers)

Proof of Accomplishment: Submit before and after pictures of the entire garden and edibles that were grown. Include a landscape or container garden plan. Show progression of your edible garden. Some examples may include plants sprouting, plants blossoming, and a display of mature edibles.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Category: Individual

### # 43 BLUE STAR OR GOLD STAR FAMILIES' MEMORIAL MARKER AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage the installation, landscaping, refurbishment, and maintenance of Blue Star or Gold Star Families Memorial Markers and the beautification of those sites so that these areas may be worthy of honoring the men and women who have served or are serving in the Armed Forces of the United States or the families whose loved one in the Armed Forces died while defending the country to whom these areas are dedicated.

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To recognize a club/circle or group of member garden clubs for the most outstanding completed Blue Star or Gold Star Families Marker in Classes explained below. The projects may be carried out on memorial highways (Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker), at veterans' hospital grounds or veterans' cemeteries, (Blue Star or Gold Star Families Memorial Marker) or public parks, historical sites or other public areas (Blue Star or Gold Star Families Memorial Byway Marker). The marker and landscaping may be part of a highway department rest area maintained by the department. The project may have been continuous, but major landscaping must be completed within two years. The project may be a replacement of a destroyed or long neglected landscape.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** You must include the type of Blue Star or Gold Star Families Memorial Marker that is being landscaped: Blue Star Highway Marker, Blue Star or Gold Star Families Byway Marker, or Blue Star or Gold Star Families Memorial Marker.

**Additional information about NGC Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Landscaping Awards:** The NGC Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Landscaping Awards *are judged based on landscaping only and dedication of the Blue Star Memorial is not to be considered.*

### CLASSES:

- A. Installation and dedication of a new Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Marker (Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Markers, Highway Marker, Byway Marker or Memorial Marker).
- B. New landscaping for an existing Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Marker (Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Markers, Highway Marker, Byway Marker or Memorial Marker). The winning entry in Class B below will be considered for submission to NGC for NGC Award #L2 – Blue Star Memorial Landscaping.
- C. Refurbishment and re-dedication of an existing Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Marker (Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Markers, Highway Marker, Byway Marker or Memorial Marker).
- D. Long term maintenance program established for a landscape plan with proof of at least five (5) years of continuous maintenance prior to the award year. For a Blue Star or Gold Star Memorial Markers, Highway Marker, Byway Marker or Memorial Marker.

**Award:** An award of \$25 may be awarded in each of the classes below. (The classes that NGC uses for these Awards are based on the type of Blue Star Memorial Markers – Highway Marker, Byway Marker or Memorial Marker.)

### # 44 NATIVE PLANT LANDSCAPING

**Description/Purpose:** To recognize and award clubs, circles, *and individuals* for the most effective use of native trees and wildflowers in a landscape design of a private residence, public or commercial area or building.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** Include a sketch or landscape plans with botanical and when possible, common names of plants. *Planting must use a minimum of five trees in a residence and a minimum of 10 trees in public or commercial places.* A landscape design which ensures permanent beauty of the garden is a prime consideration.

**Award:** An award of \$25 is offered to individuals and all club sizes, but not districts.

## LANDSCAPING AWARDS #40—47

### # 45 EDIBLE GARDEN IN AN ORNAMENTAL LANDSCAPE AWARD

Description and Purpose: Garden incorporating edibles in an ornamental landscape grown by an individual. (Ornamental landscaping serves the primary purpose of adding visually pleasing plants to the landscape. In contrast, some gardens are established with the purpose of providing food, shade or a privacy screen from neighbors. While plants used in an ornamental landscape may serve other purposes as well, the reasons for their selection in an ornamental landscape are their visual qualities and decorative effect.) Add your edibles in harmony with your ornamental landscape.

Proof of Accomplishment: Before planting edibles photos showing ornamental garden and after photos of the edibles that were grown included in an ornamental landscape. Include your landscape plan, and a list of the edible plants you included. Did you grow from seed or with an already established plant?

Award: An award of \$25 is offered

Category: Individual

NGC Specific Point Score G-2 (*See RESOURCES*)

### #46 GARDEN TOUR AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the garden club with the most outstanding garden tour project.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include photographs of at least four residences on the tour that show views of each garden (including one focal area and/or entrance area). A brief description of each garden should include approximate size of the garden and list plant material, publicity, and evidence of club and community participation.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered .

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### #47 HABITAT FOR HUMANITY AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the garden club with the most outstanding Habitat for Humanity Landscaping project.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include the following information:

1. Photographs before/ after/ and during project.
2. Design plan with a list of plants used
3. Maintenance program for the future
4. Financial information including a cost sheet
5. Evidence of publicity and involvement by club and community members

Publicity and club/community participation are stressed. Youth participation is also important.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are available.

## TREE PLANTING AWARDS #48—49

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### **#48 FLOWERING TREE**

Description/Purpose: To promote the planting of flowering trees along streets, highways, parks, school grounds, etc.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to submit a narrative report. Include a description and the botanical names of the trees planted. Explain how the project enhanced the area.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in the following

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### **#49 TREE PLANTING ACHIEVEMENT (FFGC ONLY - AWARDED EVERY OTHER YEAR)**

At the end of each FFGC administration, \$25 will be given to the club that has accomplished the best tree planting in a public area. The trees must be quality trees requiring low maintenance. Names and pictures of trees planted along with how planting enhanced the site are required in application. Additional credit will be given for planting of native trees.

## CONSERVATION AWARDS #50—58

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### #50 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage the most comprehensive accomplishment in the field of environmental education. To explore and expand methods for preserving, protecting, and improving the environment through education and to share this knowledge with as many people as possible.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to report in narrative on the project. The project may be in the form of a literary production, series of published articles, study course, or some other educational activity. The achievement must be of exceptional merit.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in the following:  
All categories are eligible.

### #51 ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATION INVOLVING YOUTH AWARDS

Description/Purpose: To encourage the most comprehensive accomplishment in the field of environmental education which involves children. To recognize projects that educate children on preserving, protecting, and improving their environment.

Proof of Accomplishment: The project may be in the form of a literary production, series of published articles, study course, or some other educational activity. The achievement must be of exceptional merit.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in the following  
Categories: All except districts.

### # 52 WILDLIFE SURVIVAL AWARD

Description and Purpose: Wildlife Survival Award will be awarded to the garden club with the most notable project or projects educating the public on the benefits of gardening for wildlife.

Given for the most comprehensive and effective project for pollinator, bird, or wildlife protection and welfare. This may include habitats or gardens specific to the natural population being supported, sanctuaries, migratory routes, public education project, or program, legal and legislative activities, or other.

Proof of Accomplishment: Report must include landscape plan, if applicable, labeled photos, impact on members/recipients/community/etc. and results. Involvement of others (community, government agencies, professionals, youth, facility residents, others) percent of membership participation (may include any type of support given).

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.  
Categories: All categories are eligible.  
NGC Point Score Chart EC-3 (*See RESOURCES*)



## CONSERVATION AWARDS #50—58

### #53 WILDLIFE AWARD

Description and Purpose: Wildlife Garden Award will be awarded to the garden club establishing a wildlife garden or gardens at a public place or places, to include signage to educate the public on how to garden for wildlife and the benefits of doing so.

Proof of Accomplishment: Report should include landscape plan, photo of signage, and results. Membership participation is emphasized. Extra points will be given for articles published in newspapers and periodicals on the project. Club size will be taken into consideration when judging, so please include the number of members in the club, the percentage of member participation, and the approximate number of people educated and how they were notified of the project.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

NGC Point Score Chart G (*See RESOURCES*)

### #55 ELOISE SNIFFEN CONSERVATION AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage effective and productive accomplishments in conservation, particularly in the field of preserving native trees and plants. Suggestions for types of projects and programs: planting of roads and highways with native plants and/or wildflowers, beautifying public areas with native plant materials, encouraging the practice and knowledge of conservation of air, water, soil, and minerals with our youth; developing wider protection of endangered flora and fauna. This may have been a continuing project but must be completed within the year application is made.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to report in narrative on the project. Consideration will be given to clubs/ circles having a high percentage of participation.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### #56 BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION AWARD

Description/Purpose: To increase butterfly population by improving their ecology, learning to identify butterflies at all stages and growing plants which provide food and shelter.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to report in narrative on the project.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

### #58 PROMOTING BEES THROUGH KNOWLEDGE

Description/Purpose: To encourage education about the loss of our bee population and the importance of bees to the food chain.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include description of the program, description of who is participating and pictures. Youth involvement is considered important to this project.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

## AWARDS #61—78 NELL COE

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### #61 NELL COE AWARD

Awarded every other year and revised each administration since 1966---“Celebrating 100 Years” Tina Tuttle, FFGC President Project for 2023-2025 is “100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Years”

Description and Purpose: To recognize and award the completion of exemplary participation in all aspects of FFGC. The large Nell Coe Tray will remain on permanent display at Headquarters. The theme of the 2023-2025 Administration “100 Ways to Celebrate 100 Years” is presented to encourage and promote participation in all aspects of FFGC and garden club work. and thereby boost the growth in our membership. This administration will promote retention of our current members and increasing membership by involving as many current and potential members in activities that are sponsored/ hosted by FFGC, its districts and clubs/circles as possible. By participating in the myriad programs, projects, educational opportunities, etc. offered, we will experience all the Garden Club has to offer. We will be DOING garden club instead of just being a garden club.

Proof of Accomplishment:

1. If your circle/club or an individual is serious about promoting membership by participating in all FFGC has to offer, please apply by filling out and providing the list of activities completed. Do not hesitate to apply even if you have not completed all 100 ways...you may have completed more than anyone else has done!
2. Proof of each activity you participated in will be by the completed forms emailed to FFGC President. The Garden Clubs/Circles or individual with the most activities completed in each of the five (5) categories below will be awarded \$250. Please use the current 2023-2025 FFGC Award Application and email the award application with at least pictures showing your completed activities and the Nell Coe “100 Ways to Celebrate 100 years” and your downloaded Category Proof of Accomplishment Sheet.

Award: \$250 may be awarded in Categories 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5.

Due Date: March 20, 2025

Submission: **EMAIL** Award to Tina Tuttle at [ttuttle1954@gmail.com](mailto:ttuttle1954@gmail.com).

### #62 MARY S. COMPTON AWARD FOR PUBLICITY—BOE REQUIRED

Special Submission Requirements **Due JAN 15**

Description/Purpose: To recognize and honor clubs/circles for excellent coverage of club activities.

Proof of Accomplishment: *Submit a Book of Evidence* (number of pages is unlimited) using the requirements listed below:

1. Label on outside cover with name of award plus award number and category, name of club, district number and city.
2. Send two copies of Awards Application and two BOE copies.

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3. Submit in report cover or folder 8½ x 11 inches or 9" x 12" inches. No heavy scrapbooks or oversized portfolios. There is no limit on the number of pages. Plastic page protectors may be used.
4. Material must consist of any of the following: newspaper, magazine, newsletter, notices or flyers for one-time events, or any printed publication clippings such as from *The Florida Gardener* with the name and date of publication over each article. Clear photocopies are permitted; reduced photocopies of large or lengthy articles are permitted. Downloading of published newspaper articles from the Internet is permitted.
5. No page numbering or Table of Contents is needed. Affix contents in chronological order January 1 through December 31. Clippings should be evenly cut; no loose clippings are permitted.
6. Each published item must contain the name of the organization and/or individual/s identified as a member of the organization. Underline first use of name of organization and/or member in each article.
7. Articles should include who, what, when, where, etc., if applicable: publicity promotion of FFGC and NGC objectives and goals.

Award will be judged using the following Scale of Points:

### SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation meets all requirements.....	15
Quality: articles well written; publicity related to projects and/or activities.....	40
Quantity: articles for each month; use of varied publications and media.....	25
Diversity: local papers, district news, state and national magazines.....	20
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>100</b>

Award: An award of \$25 is offered in the following  
Categories: 1-5 are eligible.

**Due 1/15**

### #63 GARDEN CENTER PROGRAMS

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award garden clubs who provide exceptional information, advice, and inspiration to garden club members and to the community.

Proof of Accomplishment: Proof of participation in a number of services to members and the public is required. See suggested services below:

- Programs, demonstrations, workshops and public forums given to stimulate interest in subjects related to garden club work.
- Information and instruction in gardening, home landscaping, conservation, corsage making, and flower arranging.
- Plant identification and plant exchanges.
- Garden books, CD's or photographs/slides in library for loan to members. Magazines, pamphlets and planting directions available to the public.
- Promotion of gardening among junior gardeners, high school gardeners and youth groups.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.  
Categories: All clubs are eligible.

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### #64 LIBRARY

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award clubs or circles who improve and encourage the use of garden club libraries.

Proof of Accomplishment:

- Date Library was established and methods of acquisition of books Categorical list of books and magazines
- Catalog system loan procedures
- Extent library is used by members and non-members
- Report may include newspaper clippings with dates, photographs, letters, etc.

Award: Two awards of \$25 are offered to all club sizes.

Section 1 - Club or circle with a library in their own garden center building.

Section 2 - Club or circle without a garden center building, which maintains a library on a public shelf, member's home, a store, a traveling library, or any public building.

### #65 CONVENTION DELEGATE

(If a convention was held) Description/Purpose: To encourage representation of clubs and circles at convention and to stimulate delegates to report valuable information to the members at home.

Proof of Accomplishment: Delegates report on total coverage of business sessions, forums, workshops, presentation at club meeting including date of report, time allotted, members present (Press notices following Convention). A copy of the Convention Registration Form or Convention Name Badge must be included as proof of eligibility. The report will be judged using the following Scale of Points:

#### SCALE OF POINTS

Total coverage of business sessions, forums, workshops, etc.....	30
Comprehensiveness of coverage.....	40
Presentation at club meeting following Convention.....	10
Date report given at meeting, time allotted, number of members present, Press notices from Convention	
Preparation – clear and concise reporting.....	20
<b>TOTAL.....</b>	<b>100</b>

Award: \$25 is offered.

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### #66 NATIONAL GARDEN WEEK AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award garden clubs who have outstanding promotion of National Garden Week programs.

Proof of Accomplishment: Entry should show community awareness throughout the entire week and include local and/or state proclamations.

Photographs may be included. A screenshot of your Facebook page to show announcement. (Resize too small for document.)

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to all Club Size Categories and District.

### #69 DIGITAL PHOTOGRAPHY AWARDS\*

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award outstanding digital photographs by a non-professional photographer.

Proof of Documentation: The photographer must be a member of FFGC and may submit one entry per class. Each entry shall be a collection of five (5) photographs. Use the FFGC Application Form and include each photograph along with informative Descriptions of each photograph (names of birds or butterflies, botanical names of plants, location where each photograph was taken, date, etc.). Each photo should be numbered.

Each Class has specific requirements for the photographs to submit. For each class, submit jpegs with the same images that are on the Application form. Because it is necessary to keep the FFGC Awards Application and the jpegs together, submit *\*For Current Year Only*. Fill out Awards Application and use pages 2 and 3 to insert your photos.

Entries will be judged using the following criteria: Quality of the photographs including interesting subject material; Good composition; Clarity and presents the unique Captures subject matter well.

AWARD: An award of \$25 is offered in the following classes:

#### Class A - Photographs of Birds and/or Butterflies

Five (5) digital photographs of birds and/or butterflies or both are to be in a natural setting (not confined in a show area). On the FFGC Application Form, include a short description that identifies each bird or butterfly and gives the location of each picture. Email jpegs with awards application-same images must be included.

#### Class B - Photographs of a landscaped Florida garden

Five (5) digital photographs of a landscaped Florida garden with a brief description of the various locations depicted in the collection. No people should be in the photographs.

Email jpegs with awards application- same images must be included.

#### Class C - Photographs of a Florida wildflower, preferably in its natural habitat

Five (5) photographs of one species of a Florida wildflower. Two (2) of the photos should be designed to show the micro-environment and three (3) should be close-ups of different plants in the same location. Email jpegs with awards application; the same images must be included.

#### Class D - Photographs of a flowering tree growing in Florida.

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Five (5) digital photographs of a flowering tree in bloom and growing in Florida. Two (2) of the photos should show the entire tree from different viewpoints. Three (3) of the photos should be close-ups of individual blooms or branches. Email jpegs with awards application- same images must be included.

### Class E - Photographs of plants on the Florida Conservation List

Five (5) digital photographs of plants that appear on the Florida Conservation List. Plants should be photographed in their natural habitat. Email jpegs with awards application- same images must be included.

### Class F - Photographs of plants in one of the following subjects: 1) plants in a specific garden

2) life cycle of a specific plant or 3) Florida scenery. Five (5) digital photographs of plants from one of the above categories. List where each photograph was taken. Email jpegs with awards application; the same images must be included.

## #71 THE ELLA JOYCE BOALS PROGRAM AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the presentation of an outstanding program by a Club or Circle

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application to report in narrative about the program. The program must have been given at ONE meeting during the garden club year. The program must relate to horticulture and stimulate an interest or education in gardening. The program must be adaptable to other clubs or circles of comparable size for presentation. Applications will be judged using the following:

### SCALE OF POINTS

Identification .....	15
Theme/title of programs; Date/s; # of members present; Short summary of program/s	
Quality of program.....	50
Activities used to prepare for program; appeal to audience; Explain new or fresh approach used by presenter. Explain adaptability to other groups.	
Presentation.....	25
Application neat, simple, attractive, easy to read, well organized Publicity .....	10
Should have at least two of the following: photographs, letters of appreciation, clippings from papers (scans), including name and date of paper	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>100</b>

Award: An Award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: all are eligible

## #73 PUBLIC PROGRAM

\$25 is offered to a club or circle for the presentation of an outstanding public program at one public meeting.

Description/Purpose: To encourage garden clubs to share with their communities’ ideas and information which will enrich the life of the community.

Proof of Accomplishment: The program must pertain to horticulture, flower arrangement, conservation, civic beautification, roadside development, landscape design, or any other related subject. The presentation may be in the form of a speaker, demonstration, panel, forum, film, slides, a combination of these or any effective plan of presentation. Include a brief report of the public program, the invitation to the public, press reports, pictures of participants and any related display or exhibit.

Applications will be judged using the following:

### SCALE OF POINTS

Identification .....	15
Theme/title of programs; Date/s; # of members present. Short summary of program/s	
Quality of program.....	50
Activities used to prepare for program, appeal to audience. Explain new or fresh approach used by presenter. Explain adaptability to other groups.	
Presentation.....	25
Application neat, simple, attractive, easy to read, well organized	
Publicity .....	10
Should have at least two of the following: photographs, letters of appreciation, clippings from papers (scans), including name and date of paper	
TOTAL.....	100

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Categories: All clubs are eligible.

## #74 YEAR’S PROGRAMS

Description/Purpose: To encourage clubs and circles to stimulate the members in gardening by selecting a theme for the year and developing it at the club’s monthly meetings. This is done by coordinating at least three objectives such as horticulture, flower arrangement, corsage craft, garden therapy, landscape design, birds, and conservation. Presentations can be speakers, demonstrations, workshops, field trips, digital photographs, power point presentations, videos, or a combination of any of these. Please note that this award is for the best “overall” series of programs for a garden club year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include the year’s theme and monthly topics. Include methods of presentation, press reports, pictures of participants, and/or other activities.



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## SCALE OF POINTS

Identification .....	15
Theme/title of programs; Date/s; # of members present. Short summary of program/s	
Quality of program.....	50
Activities used to prepare for program, appeal to audience. Explain new or fresh approach used by presenter. Explain adaptability to other groups.	
Presentation.....	25
Application neat, simple, attractive, easy to read, well organized	
Publicity	10
Should have at least two of the following: photographs, letters of appreciation, clippings from papers (scans), including name and date of paper	
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	100

Award: An award of \$50 is offered in the following sections:

Section 1 - Circle

Section 2 - Club

## #75 “FUN WITH FLOWERS” PROGRAM

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the garden club with the most outstanding Fun with Flowers program. This is for a single program, holiday, seasonal, or general.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include a brief description of the program; publicity; club and community participation. You may include photographs.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to the garden club with the most outstanding single program.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

## #76 “FUN WITH FLOWERS” SERIES AWARD

This award established in honor of Joan Pryor who saw a need and had a vision to establish: Fun with Flowers as an FFGC Program and who recognized the value it would have for our members and the public, statewide.

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the garden club with the most outstanding series of *Fun with Flowers* programs. The series should consist of three or more programs in a club year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include a brief description of each program; publicity; club and community participation. You may include photographs.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to the garden club in each category with the most outstanding series of programs.

Categories: All categories are eligible.



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### #78 PARKS AND GROUNDS PROGRAM

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award a club/circle for the most informative field trip.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to report in narrative style about a field trip to a park, garden, or greenway. The field trip should be guided by a Park Ranger, an expert on the area visited, a Master Gardener or Master Naturalist, a garden club member with extensive knowledge of the area. Include pictures of the trip that show the expert guide and garden club members enjoying the trip.

## NEW AWARDS #112—113

**SEND AWARDS #112 AND #113 TO BARBARA MAY BY NOV. 22.**

*FFGC Flower Show Awards Chairman, Barbara May, 4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington, FL 33449*

*Email: maydesign4521@gmail.com | Phone: (561) 304-0193*

*Use the FFGC Award Application and Submit by November 22, 2023*

### #112 ART IN BLOOM AWARD NEW!

Description and Purpose (Individual Award) Award for the best representation of a floral design inspired by a piece of art using fresh or dried flowers. (No Artificial Flowers)

Proof of Accomplishment: Use of FFGC Awards Application in narrative style to interpret your design. Submit Title and Inspiration for design (75-100 words) Include one photo of design and piece of art together (one photo) (Exception, if design is unable to be photographed with the piece of art, submit one design photo and one piece of art photo, two photos). Include all materials used.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Category: All categories are eligible.

### #113 FLORAL DESIGNER'S AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize garden club members/floral designer who has shared her/his design knowledge for five (5) or more years by giving design programs, teaching Floral Design Study classes, Fun with Flowers, or other design related educational opportunities.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Awards Application Form to report in narrative style. Include documentation that shows the person nominated meets the following criteria:

1. Has given design programs to garden clubs, judge's councils, civic organizations, etc. Evidence could include a picture of the applicant giving the program, a newspaper/letter/article giving the name of the designer, telling (narrative) about the program, a thank you note from someone who attended the program, etc.
2. Has entered and won Top NGC Award ribbons in Standard Flower Shows and has served on flower show committees in some capacity. Evidence should include two entry cards with top awards indicated.
3. Is involved in the community and shows initiative beyond garden club by working with youth on designs, doing designs for church, library, historic places, etc. Include a picture or news article showing

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the program and participation in the community.

4. Is an active member of FFGC, Judges Council, CFAA, NFA, AFID or Ikebana.

## SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation (Neat and attractive).....	20
Summary of Activities (highlighting how member has shared knowledge of design).....	40
Proof of accomplishments (photos, letters, newspaper/newsletter articles, calendar photo.....	40
Award winning design photos, entry cards, publicity.	
TOTAL.....	100

Award: An award of \$50 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

## DISTRICT AWARDS D3—D8

*All awards in this category will use the FFGC single page application and submitted by email by November 22 to the FFGC Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold at [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com)—except where noted.*

### D-3 MEMBERSHIP CITATION (AWARDED EVERY OTHER YEAR)\*

Every two years an award will be given to the district which shows the greatest increase in membership at the end of the current administration, based on a district's membership percentage basis. A certificate and a check for \$50 will be awarded at the annual convention. ***No application necessary.***

Have each Club in your District give you their starting Membership Numbers June 2023 to February 15, 2024. Awards Chair must have an email from District Directors by March 1, 2024. You must have your starting number for each Club and the ending numbers for each Club submitted to you in time for you to submit by March 1, 2024. No late entries will be accepted.

Email the application to your District Director by 2/16/25

District Director then emails to State Awards Chairman, Sandra Arnold, by 3/1/25

### D-8 DISTRICT HORTICULTURE AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage Districts to present Horticulture programs.

Proof of Accomplishment: You may include pictures. Some suggested types of events are horticulture symposium, seminar, or workshop. One subject or several subjects may be included in the course, but all must be on Horticulture.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to the best application.

Categories: All categories are eligible.

## FLOWER SHOW AWARDS #101—114

*This information applies to every award in the Flower Show Awards section.*

*FFGC Flower Show Awards Chairman, Barbara May, 4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington, FL 33449*

*Email: maydesign4521@gmail.com | Phone: (561) 304-0193*

***Use the FFGC Award Application and Submit by November 30, 2023***

- *All Books of Evidence and Flower Show Schedules must be submitted on a UBS Flash Drive (read only) in .pdf Digital form.*
- *When submitting your read only flash drive, tape the drive to a 3x5 or 4x6 card which will include the sponsoring group name; the name of the show; and Chairman's name and contact information. You will be contacted when the drive is received and can be read.*
- *All standard flower shows that receive 95 points or better by the evaluation panel will be sent to NGC for consideration.*
- *The award period is for projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023. Projects that occur between Nov 22-Dec 31, 2023, may submit late.*

### **FFGC #101 A, B, NGC 14A COUNCIL STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**

A. Council of Garden Clubs Standard Flower Show, sponsored by at least three (3) NGC member clubs belonging to an association, federation, group, circle, etc. and recognized by the State Garden Club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

B. Judges Council or Councils Standard Flower Show. One (1) Educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award for each category.

Winning council is not eligible to win this award in consecutive years. LEAVE IT

### **FFGC #102 A, B, C NGC FS-2 A, B HOLIDAY STANDARD FLOWER SHOW (ALSO AVAILABLE FOR A SMALL - STANDARD HOLIDAY FLOWER SHOW)**

A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

C. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, State District of Garden Clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award is offered for best entry in each of these classes.

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### **FFGC #103 A, B, C, D, E HOME STANDARD FLOWER SHOW \***

A. One (1) member club, one or more homes; garden/s optional. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

B. One (1) member club, one or more homes, in combination with some exhibits staged in a public building; garden/s optional. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

C. Two (2) or more member clubs, one or more homes; garden/s optional. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

D. Two (2) or more member clubs, one or more homes, in combination with some exhibits staged in a public building; garden/s optional. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

E. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, NGC District/s of Garden Clubs, one or more homes; garden/s optional. Two (2) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award, one (1) in each membership category, is offered.

### **FFGC #104 NGC FS-13 NEAR-CLUB STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**

Two (2) or more member clubs located near one another. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Show may be held in home/s and/or public buildings. Councils of Garden Clubs, Judges Councils, State Districts of Garden Clubs are not eligible for this award.

Award: \$50 award is offered.

### **FFGC #105 A, B, C NGC FS-4A, B NGC PATRIOTIC STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**

A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group

B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

C. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, District of Garden Clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award is offered for best entry in above three classes.

### **FFGC #106 A, B STANDARD FLOWER SHOW STAGED IN A PUBLIC BUILDING (NGC FS 1 - A, B, C D) \***

A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group

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B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group  
Councils of Garden Clubs, Judges Councils, State Districts of Garden Clubs are not eligible for this award.

Award: \$50 is offered in categories A and B.

### **FFGC #107 A, B, C, D NGC FS 1 A, B, C, D CLUB STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**

- A. Membership fewer than 21. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group  
B. Membership 21 – 49. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group  
C. Membership 50 – 99. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two(2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.  
D. Membership 100 or more. Two (2) educational exhibit and at least two(2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award, one (1) in each membership category.

Winning club is not eligible to receive this award in consecutive years.

### **FFGC #108 A, B, C PETITE STANDARD FLOWER SHOW OF MINIATURE AND/OR SMALL EXHIBITS**

- A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group  
B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.  
C. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, State District of Garden Clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award is offered for “best” entry in the three classes above.

Winning organization is not eligible to receive this award in consecutive years.

### **FFGC #110 NGC FS-7 A, B, C SMALL STANDARD FLOWER SHOW**

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- A. Fewer than 21 members: One (1) Educational exhibit.  
B. 21-49 Members One (1) educational exhibit and at least one additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.  
C. 50-99 members: One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: An award of \$50 will be given to the winner. Winning entry will be send to Deep South Garden Clubs for consideration of Deep South Garden Clubs Small Standard Flower Show Award.

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### FFGC # 111 NGC FS-20 A, B, C HORTICULTURE SPECIALTY FLOWER SHOW

A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group

B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

C. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, State District of Garden Clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award is offered for best entry in above two classes.

Winning organization is not eligible to receive this award in consecutive years.

### FFGC #112 NGC FS-21 A, B, C DESIGN SPECIALTY FLOWER SHOW

A. One (1) member club. One (1) educational exhibit and at least one (1) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group

B. Two (2) or more member clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

C. Council of Garden Clubs, Judges Council, State District of Garden Clubs. One (1) educational exhibit and at least two (2) of any combination of additional Educational, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group.

Award: \$50 award is offered for best entry in above two classes.

Winning organization is not eligible to receive this award in consecutive years.

1. Has given design programs to garden clubs, judge's councils, civic organizations, etc. Evidence could include a picture of the applicant giving the program, a newspaper/letter/article giving the name of the designer, telling (narrative) about the program, a thank you note from someone who attended the program, etc.
2. Has entered and won Top NGC Award ribbons in Standard Flower Shows and has served on flower show committees in some capacity. Evidence should include two entry cards with top awards indicated.
3. Is involved in the community and shows initiative beyond garden club by working with youth on designs, doing designs for church, library, historic places, etc. Include a picture or news article showing the program and participation in the community.
4. Is an active member of FFGC, Judges Council, CFAA, NFA, AFID or Ikebana.

#### SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation (Neat and attractive).....	20
Summary of Activities (highlighting how member has shared knowledge of design).....	40
Proof of accomplishments (photos, letters, newspaper/newsletter articles, calendar photo).....	40
Award winning design photos, entry cards, publicity.	
TOTAL.....	100

Award: An award of \$50 is offered.

Categories: All categories are eligible.



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### FFGC # 120 FLOWER SHOW FOCAL AREA AWARD

Description/Purpose: To encourage the use of focal area to enhance the aesthetic quality of the overall show.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Include the title of the show and a description of the area as well as photographs.

Entries are judged for neatness, originality, practicality, aesthetic quality, and adherence to theme of show.

Provide one (1) copy of the Flower Show Schedule.

Award: Two awards of \$25 each may be offered annually to a club, circle, or a group of clubs or circles, for the most effective focal area in a Standard Flower Show, in the following classes:

Class: A or B:

A. Club/circle/group with 100 or fewer members

B. Club/circle/group with 101 or more members

### FFGC # 121 A, B FLOWER SHOW STAGING AWARD

Description/Purpose: To stimulate clubs to use creative staging in both Horticulture and Design Divisions.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form. Application must include a scale drawing of the one staging idea with written specifications and directions on how to duplicate this idea.

Include one or more photographs of this staging method as used in the flower show and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which the staging was included.

Award: Two (2) awards of \$25 each may be offered to a club or group of clubs submitting the best single staging idea in Horticulture and/or Design Divisions in the following classes:

Class A or B: A. Single idea in staging of horticulture; B. Single idea in staging of design

### FFGC # 122 NGC STANDARD FLOWER SHOW SCHEDULE

Description/Purpose: To recognize the best completed NGC Flower Show Schedules.

Proof of Accomplishment: Complete the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Submit three (3) Flower Show Schedules. Attach the application form to one of the schedules.

The winning schedule will be filed at State Headquarters at the close of FFGC Convention and will be available upon request.

Applications will be judged using the Scale of Points for Standard Flower Show Schedules as listed on page 132 in the Handbook for Flower Shows, Revised, 2017.

Award: An award of \$50 each (Class A-D) may be offered to an individual club or circle or a group of clubs or circles for the best completed Flower Show Schedule in the following classes:

Class A, B, C, or D: A. 10-49 members; B. 50-99 members; C. 100-199 members; D. 200 or more members

Awarded amount \$50.00

### FFGC # 123 TRICOLOR AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize the most outstanding floral design that received the Tricolor Award in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.



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*AWARDS CHAIR, GINA JOGAN*

***Awards # 120—133 Use the **New Flower Show Related Application*****

*FFSJ President, Gina Jogan by November 30. Address: 6727 Highway 99, Molino, FL 32577-4048*

*Phone 850-587-2621/850-324-9783 | Email: gvjogan@panhandle.rr.com*

***Use **New Flower Show Related Application*****

**EMAIL ONE COPY OF EACH AWARD SUBMISSION BY **NOVEMBER 30, 2023**,**

*unless stated otherwise.*

*The award period is for projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023. Projects that occur between*

*Nov 22-Dec 31, 2023, may submit late.*

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) of the floral design;  
a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel;  
and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### **FFGC # 124 DESIGNER'S CHOICE AWARD**

Description/Purpose: To recognize the most outstanding floral design that received the Designer's Choice Award in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) of the floral design,  
a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel,  
and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### **FFGC # 125 AWARD OF DISTINCTION AWARD**

Description: To recognize the most outstanding floral design that received the Award of Distinction in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) of the floral design,  
a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel,  
and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### **FFGC # 126 EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT AWARD**

Description: To recognize the most outstanding educational exhibit that received the Educational Award in

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the Education Division of a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

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Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) of the floral design, a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel, and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$50 may be offered.

### **FFGC # 127 TABLE ARTISTRY AWARD**

Description: To recognize the most outstanding floral design that received the Table Artistry Award in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s)) of the floral design, a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel, and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### **FFGC # 128 PETITE AWARD**

Description: To recognize the most outstanding floral design that received the Petite Award in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbons and one with the ribbon(s) of the floral design, a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel, and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which design was included.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### **FFGC #129 COLLECTIONS AWARD**

Description: To recognize the most outstanding exhibit that received the Collector's Showcase Award for a Collection in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) clear, color close-up photographs of collection with ribbons and awards (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) as it appears in the flower show.

a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel,

and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which collection was included.

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Provide two (2) pictures—one without the ribbons and one with the ribbons.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### FFGC # 130 DISPLAY AWARD

Description: To recognize the most outstanding exhibit that received the Collector's Showcase Award for a Display in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Evidence shall include:

Two (2) clear, color close-up photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) of display with ribbons and awards as it appears in the flower show a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel, and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### FFGC # 131 DISH GARDEN

Description: To recognize the most outstanding dish garden that won a Grower's Choice Award in a Standard Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Evidence shall include: Two (2) clear, color close-up photographs of dish garden. One photograph should show the dish garden with the ribbon/s won and one photograph should show the dish garden without ribbon/s. Include a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel. The entry card or picture should include botanical names and locations for all plants.

Entries will be judged using the following:

#### SCALE OF POINTS:

Distinction of combination, compatibility of plants and accessories .....	45 points
Photographs.....	25 points
Entry card or picture showing botanical names and locations for all plants .....	25 points
Neatness and clarity of presentation .....	5 points
Total: .....	100 points

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### FFGC # 132 BROMELIAD AWARD

Description: To recognize the most outstanding bromeliad exhibit that received an award higher than a blue ribbon (95+ or an NGC Top Exhibitor Award) in a Standard Flower Show or plant society show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Evidence shall include: a complete record of the plant's progress and cultivation. Include at two clear, color photographs of bromeliad, provide two pictures (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s), a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which display was included.

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Entries will be judged using the following:

### SCALE OF POINTS:

Distinction of plant .....	35 points
Description of plant culture .....	35 points
Photographs.....	20 points
Neatness and clarity of presentation .....	10 points
TOTAL: .....	100 Points

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered.

### FFGC # 133 BOTANICAL ARTS ARTISTIC CRAFTS AWARD (NEW!)

Description: To recognize the most outstanding artistic craft that received the Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award in an NGC Flower Show during the current year.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use the FFGC Flower Show Related Awards Application Form.

Evidence shall include:

Two (2) color photographs (one without the ribbon(s) and one with the ribbon(s) ) of the artistic craft, a copy of the entry card signed and dated by a member of the judging panel, and an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule listing the Section/Class in which artistic craft was included.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered.

Unless another Scale of Points is indicated under a specific award, the Basic Scale of Points will be used to judge all FFGC Awards Applications. Be sure to study the requirements for each award and understand which Scale of Points will be used for judging that award.

### BASIC SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation.....	5
Neat, concise, all information included on the FFGC Awards Application Form (three sheets allowed) or in the Book of Evidence (if required).	
Achievement .....	65
Size and scope of project, need and fulfillment, benefit, accomplishment, comprehensiveness of work, activities to attain goals, evaluation of <sup>FFGC</sup> goals reached, educational value, prior planning, very brief history if continuing project, financial report, other. Reflects the Aims and Goals of FFGC and NGC.	
Participation .....	15
Size of club, involvement of members (this can be suited to project scope), youth, community, professionals, residents in facilities, others. Not all of these must be involved.	
Record or Documentation.....	15
Supporting data (as applicable) clear and well-labeled, clear before and after photographs (if applicable), landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn),	

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financial report (even if the project did not cost anything to initiate, state the financial plan of the event or project anticipated and where the money came from) letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles, Facebook Screenshots, (if possible), radio or TV script (if possible), etc. Photocopies are permitted.

Total: ..... 100

# SCOUT ARBOR DAY AWARDS —1

## S – 1 SCOUT ARBOR DAY AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize a Garden Club that works with Scouts to encourage them to create an activity that promotes FFGC/NGC goals and objectives for Florida Arbor Day.

Proof of Accomplishment: Photographs of this activity can show the progression of the event and how it was presented. The program should involve activities which include environmental elements or horticulture lesson. The activity may be one day, or one week in length. Project expenses or means of funding should be provided. Number of Garden Club members and Scout numbers should be included. Continued involvement should be mentioned. All age groups are included. The younger ones will be helped by leaders.

Award: An award of \$25 is offered to one (1) individual Garden Club or Circle.

Due: **January 30**

Categories: All categories are eligible.

*Submit application to , 872 Bayport Circle, Venice, FL34292 | Barbara\_rao@hotmail.com*

# INTERMEDIATE GARDENER AWARDS I-16—1-18

*Intermediate gardeners are now in grade 6-8. All award applications should be sent to:*

*Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661*

**EMAIL:** *sashandbob@aol.com* | *Phone: 954-463-0246*

*Use the FFGC Award Application*

## I-1 YOUTH ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATIONAL AWARD

**Description and Purpose:** To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

**Proof of Accomplishment:**

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

**Category:** Grades 6-8

An award of \$25 is offered.

## I-4 FIELD TRIP AWARD

**Description and Purpose:** Where did you go and what did you learn on your field trip?

**Proof of Accomplishment:** Give specifics in your electronically produced report (100-200 words) about the information you gained at the park, school, garden, nursery, program, flower show, or urban garden center, and talk about your participation.

Award of \$25 is offered. **Due: JAN 15**

## I-8 WILDFLOWER FOLDER AWARD

**Description and Purpose:** An award may be given to the Intermediate Youth Gardener compiling the best folder about wildflowers.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** Include drawings or pictures of at least 5 wildflowers, identified botanically, with information on each one. Tell about their culture: blooming time, how and where they grow, their usage and importance. Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

Award of \$25 is offered. **Due: JAN 15**

## I-10 THE MARY NEWSOME AWARD FOR A FLORIDA STATE PARK

**Description and Purpose:** The Intermediate Youth Gardener who submits the best folder on a Florida State Park.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** Your folder should include the history of the park, its importance, location, available facilities, drawings or pictures of plants, photographs, maps, and information on wildlife within the park. Report needs 100-200 words. Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

**Award:** An Award of \$25 is offered



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*DEADLINE for all in this group is JAN 15, 2024*

### **I-16 THE MRS. MORGAN P. GILBERT TREE AWARD (NATIVE TREE AWARD)**

**Description and Purpose:** The Intermediate Youth Gardener who provides the best report on a Florida native tree.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** Provide its botanical name and common name, benefits of growing this tree. Does it have edible fruit, is it ornamental, or grown for its wood? Photographs or drawings of the entire tree are necessary. Other visual presentations may include leaves, flowers, fruit and/or byproducts of the tree. Discuss its growth, positive impact and how it survives in the Florida landscape. Attach the completed FFGC Awards Application to folder.

An award of \$25 is offered.

### **I-18 BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION AWARD**

**Description and Purpose:** An award to an Intermediate Youth Gardener for the most informative report of on the life cycle of one or more butterflies.

**Proof of Accomplishment:** The report should have 100 – 200 words and include pictures or drawings with information on habits and plant hosts. 8 1/2" X 11" paper size

An award of \$25 is offered.

# JUNIOR GARDENER AWARDS J-1—J-40

*Applicant must be a registered with a Junior Garden Club.*

*Use the FFGC Award Application 2023-2025 form.*

*Please submit the application by the deadline of November 22*

*Submit Applications for J1 - J4 (BUT NOT J-2) to Sandra Arnold, FFGC Award Chair by  
November 22 to FLawards 2024@gmail.com.*

*Applications Applications for J-2 to Barbara May, Flower Show Consultant,  
4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington FL 33449 by Nov 30.*

*Submit awards J-10 thru J40 to Brenda Davis Junior Gardener Chairperson*

*2270 N. Volusia Point, Hernando FL 34442 | (904) 613-9341*

*EMAIL: cresseycaligus@gmail.com DEADLINE: January 2*

## J-1 JUNIOR DESIGN AWARD

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the best blue-ribbon design exhibited by a junior gardener during the current award year in the Youth division of any NGC Standard Flower Show, or in any Youth Show adhering to National Garden Club standards.

Proof of Accomplishment: Complete the FFGC Awards Application and include two color photographs of the design exhibit. Include photocopies of the entry card and ribbon dated and signed by the flower show judges evaluating the design. The age and grade of the exhibitor should be indicated. Copy and paste an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule that includes the section of the exhibit.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered for each section.

Sections:

1. Grades 3 and 4
2. Grades 5 and 6

Scoring based on: Neatness, Accomplishment of Purpose, Creativity, Adherence to NGC Standards, Appropriate documentation.

**EMAIL** the application to Brenda Davis, cresseycaligus@gmail.com **DEADLINE: Jan 2**

**EMAIL** your application to FFGC Awards Chairman, Sandra Arnold by **Nov 23**

## J-2 YOUTH FLOWER SHOW OR YOUTH SECTION OF AN ADULT STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

\$25 is offered in **Classes** A, B, and C. Entries winning in any of these classes will be sent to NGC for consideration of NGC Red Rosette.

1. Youth flower show held by one (1) NGC Youth club or Youth group, sponsored by an NGC member club.
2. Youth Flower show held by two (2) or more NGC Youth clubs or Youth Groups, sponsored by an NGC member club.
3. Youth participation in an adult Standard Flower Show.

Send completed application to Barbara May, 4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington FL 33449 by **Nov 30**.

## J-3 SCHOOL GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION

Photographs before, during and at the completion of work on the project will be required, along with a written account, a planting plan, and a list of materials used. It is the intention of this award to encourage Junior Garden Clubs, Scouts, 4-H groups, Future Farmers, and students to participate in the beautification of the school grounds of Florida.

Scoring based on: Neatness, Accomplishment of Purpose, Creativity, Adherence to NGC Standards, Appropriate documentation.

\$25 is offered annually to a Junior Gardener Club for the greatest improvement in an established school yard or for contributions in the landscaping of a new school.

Section 1 - Pre K-2nd grade class

Section 2 - 3rd-5th grade class

*Submission: to FFGC Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold by Nov 22.*

## J-4 YOUTH HORTICULTURE EDUCATIONAL AWARD (NEW)

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application and report in narrative style. Entry should include:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Section: Grades K-5

An award of \$25 is offered.

Email award to FFGC Awards Chair, Sandra Arnold by Nov 22.

### SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation: Neatness, Artistic Elements .....	20 pts.
Content: Accuracy of Depictions, Labels and Drawings, Comprehensiveness of work, Evaluation of Goals reached.....	28 pts.
Achievement: Purpose in description achieved, Educational, NGC Standards Represented .....	25 pts.
Documentation: Clear well labeled, neatly attached, required documentation when applicable, Number of Photos, Number of Posters, Number of Words in report, correct format .....	27 pts.
Possible Final Score .....	100 pts.

## T J-10 CLASSROOM PROJECT

Three awards of \$25 each, offered annually to the Junior Garden Club making the best group of environmental posters in each division. Computers may be used. Any environmental subject may be chosen by classroom leader/teacher. All club members are to be involved. The size of poster should be 11" x by 14". Judged on the collective presentation of subject, content, originality, and neatness.

Sections:

1. Pre-K – 1st grade
2. 2nd – 3rd grade
3. 4th – 5th grade

Due: Jan 2

Submission: Send completed application and group of posters to ????

## J-11 LITTER CONTROL POSTER

\$25 is offered annually to the individual in each division making the best litter control poster. The poster should be 11" x by 14".

The forceful presentation of the litter control idea as interpreted will be given greater consideration than the artistry of the work.

Sections:

1. Pre-K – 1st grade
2. 2nd – 3rd grade
3. 4th – 5th grade

Evaluation: **SEE** Basic Scale of Points

Due: Jan 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster (email or what and to???)

## J-12 LAND TRUST ESSAY AWARD

\$25 is offered to a member of a Junior Garden Club in each section submitting the most outstanding essay on the subject *Save Land for Tomorrow*. The essay should be neatly written or typed.

Approximately 30 words for each section:

1. Pre-K – 1st grade
2. 2nd – 3rd grade
3. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and essay to ???

## J-13 JUNIOR GARDENERS NATURE POSTERS AWARD, A GROUP PROJECT.

\$25 is offered for the best group of posters in each division on any nature subject. The poster size should be 11

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inches by 14 inches.

Sections:

1. Pre-K – K (three posters)
2. 1st – 2nd grade (four posters)
3. 3rd – 5th grade (five posters)

Due: Jan 2

Submission: Send completed application and group of posters

### J-14 WATER CONSERVATION – ENVIRONMENTAL POSTER CONTEST

Theme: “We Love Our Water – Let’s Save It”

Objective: To make children aware of the importance of water and the need to conserve it as a precious resource. Children are to draw pictures illustrating how important water is in their lives and show the need to conserve it.

Poster Contest Rules:

1. Size of Poster – (11 inches by 14 inches)
2. Materials – crayons, markers, poster paints – (Bold colors are best)

This is an individual award of \$25 to a Junior Gardener in the following sections:

1. Pre-K – 1st grade
2. 2nd – 3rd grade
3. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

### J-15 THE LOUISE ADAMS FOR WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP REPORT

An award of \$25 is given for the best individual report on “My Week at Wekiva Youth Camp.” The report should be simple, but informative, about learned and found information such as the description of nature walks, crafts or fun projects, sketches, pictures, pressed plant material, etc.

- A. 3rd-4th grade (50 words approximately)
- B. 5th grade (100 words approximately)

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and individual’s report

### J-16 FIELD TRIP REPORT

An award of \$25 will be offered to the Junior Gardener in each division for the best report describing a field trip. The report must be neatly written. Points will be given for photographs, maps, wildlife information, drawings or pictures of horticulture native to that particular environment. Virtual Field trips are also acceptable. Please include the field trip location’s name in the report.

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## Sections

- A. Pre K - 1st grade (20 words)
- B. 2nd - 3rd grade (50 words)
- C. 4th - 5th grade (100 words)

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and Field Trip report

## J-20 JUNIOR HORTICULTURE

An award of \$25 will be offered annually to a Junior Garden Club in each division for the best work in horticulture.

**RULES AND SUGGESTIONS:** The leader of the unit will select a horticulture project for the year. They will see that the juniors participating are instructed and advised but that the project is the work of the students. The written report may be the work of one or several members of the unit. Pictures or drawings may be added to illustrate.

### PROJECT IDEAS:

- 1. Ways of propagating plants. Grow one plant (or plants) so propagated.
- 2. Insect friends and enemies of plants.
- 3. Identify 25 flowering plants.
- 4. A study of poisonous plants.

## Sections

- 1. Pre-K - 1st grade
- 2. 2nd - 3rd grade
- 3. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-21 POISONOUS PLANTS

\$25 is offered for the best folder of poisonous plants native to the Southeastern United States, made by a Junior Garden Club in each division. Material submitted must be done in color, showing characteristics, color of bloom (if any), shape of leaf, and where it is grown.

**Judging Considerations:** neatness, accuracy in identifying parts of the plant to be avoided, and identification of the plant (color of bloom, where found, etc.)

### Sections:

- 1. K - 1st grade (three plants)
- 2. 2nd - 3rd grade (five plants)
- 3. 4th - 5th grade (seven plants)

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Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-22 PITCHER PLANT PRESERVATION

\$25 will be offered to a Junior Garden Club in each division that prepares the best folder of various drawings or colorings of specific pitcher plants. Each drawing or coloring should be done by different individuals in the unit so that all will learn about pitcher plants and their conservation.

Minimum: 3 plants for Division A; 4 plants for Division B; 5 plants for Division C.

1. Pre K - 1st (three plants)
2. 2nd - 3rd grade (four plants)
3. 4th - 5th grade (five plants)

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-23 CHILDREN'S GARDENS

Paste a picture(s) of your home garden on a sheet of 11x14" poster paper with a story about why you like to garden and who interested you in beginning to garden.

This is an individual award of \$25 offered to a Junior Gardener in the following sections:

- A. Group Pre K
- B. Ind.K-1
- C. Grp K-1
- D. Ind 2-3
- E. Grp 2-3
- F. Ind 4-5
- G. Grp 4-5

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

## J-24 WILDFLOWER FOLDER

An award of \$25 will be offered to an individual member of a Junior Garden Club or a Junior Garden Club in each division who compiles the best material and original drawings on wildflowers. A brief description of the habitat: such as wetlands, uplands, or meadows should accompany the drawings. (Brenda, are there existing division sizes??)

Minimum: 3 wildflowers for divisions A and B, 5 wildflowers for divisions C and D, 8 wildflowers for divisions E and F, 10 Wildflowers for Division G.

Evaluation:

Drawings of flowers, in color, showing botanical details (50);

Correct botanical identification (family, etc.) (15);

Layout of book, neatness, and artistic elements (15);

Other important facts, location, time of blooming, use to man or animal (20)

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Below is mentioned on the previous page, so duplicate?

- A. Group Pre K      B. Individual K - 1st grade      C. Group K - 1st grade.  
D. Individual 2nd - 3rd grade      E. Group 2nd - 3rd grade  
F. Individual 4th - 5th grade      G. Group 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and drawings

### J-25 NATIVE PLANTS

An award of \$25 is offered to a Junior Gardener or Junior Garden Club who compiles the best material and original drawings or photographs on native plants in each division. A brief description of the habitat, such as wetlands, uplands, or meadows, food source for animals/insects and any other interesting information should accompany the drawings/pictures.

**Evaluation** or Judging Considerations:

Drawings/Pictures of plants, in color, showing botanical details (50);

Correct botanical identification (family, etc.) (15);

Layout of book, neatness, and artistic elements (15);

Other important facts, location, time of blooming (if applicable), use to man or animal (20).

Minimum: 3 plants for grades Pre K-1st, 5 plants for grades 2nd-3rd, 7 plants for grades 4th-5th. A. Pre K - 1st grade      B. 2nd - 3rd grade      C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and portfolio

### J-26 NATIVE TREES OF FLORIDA

An award of \$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener for the best informational description and illustration of native trees of Florida. May include spatter prints, drawings, photographs of trees, leaves and/or bark, map of areas in Florida where the trees are known to grow, preferences as to soil or water, can it be grown in a garden or in public plantings, are the trees on conservation list or needing protection, and ways of propagating native trees.

Minimum: 1 tree for division A, 3 trees for division B, 5 trees for division C.

A. Pre K – 1st grade      B. 2nd – 3rd grade      C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

### J-27 TREE AWARD

“*Why This Tree is Important to Me.*” Paste a picture of yourself with your special tree on a sheet of poster paper (11 inches by 14 inches). Tell why this tree is important to you below the picture. Include the kind of tree and why it means so much to you, such as if you planted it, why, who helped you, or any other special reason.



## YOUTH ANIMAL AWARDS J-30—J-40

This is an individual award of \$25 each to a Junior Gardener in each Division.

A. Pre K                      B. Kindergarten                      C. 1st grade                      D. 2nd grade  
E. 3rd grade                      F. 4th grade                      G. 5th grade                      H. 6th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

### J-30 THE MARGARET Y. PACE BIRDS SEEN IN FLORIDA AWARD

An award of \$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener in each division for a folder on birds seen in Florida.

Judging Considerations: number of species, comparative size, correct information as to type of food, nesting habits, time of year seen, mannerisms, worthiness of protection, migration route and/or flyways, neatness, and artistic elements.

Minimum: Division A - 3 Birds, Division B - 5 Birds, Division C - 7 Birds

A. Pre K – 1st grade                      B. 2nd – 3rd grade                      C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and folder

### J-31 AQUATIC BIRDS IN FLORIDA

Six awards of \$25 will be offered annually to a Junior Gardener in each division for a folder on Aquatic Birds of Florida.

Judging Considerations: number of species, correct information as to the type of food, type of body of water they are found, nesting habits, mannerisms, protection status and greatest environmental threat to livelihood.

Minimum: Division A, B and C - 3 Birds, Division D and E - 5 Birds,

Division F - 7 Birds

A. Pre K                      B. Kindergarten                      C. 1st grade                      D. 2nd grade

E. 3rd grade                      F. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and folder

### J-32 BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION FOLDER

\$25 will be awarded annually to the Junior Garden Club in each division submitting the best descriptions, pictures, and information about Florida butterflies. Purpose of award is to instill an awareness of butterflies in the eco-system.

A. Pre K - K grade                      B. 1st grade                      C. 2nd grade                      D. 3rd grade

E. 4th grade                      F. 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-33 PROTECTING POLLINATORS AWARD

\$25 is offered annually to a Junior Garden Club in each division for the best collection of posters describing a minimum of 3 different kinds of pollinators found in Florida. The posters should include a brief description of why pollinators are important and one way to protect them. The size of poster should be 11 inches by 14 inches.

- A. Pre Kindergarten      B. Kindergarten      C. 1st grade      D. 2nd grade  
E. 3rd grade      F. 4th grade      G. 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-34 REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS FOUND IN FLORIDA

An Award of \$25 is offered to the Junior Gardener in each division for compiling the best material on reptiles or amphibians in Florida. It should include hand drawings, correct information as to habits, protection status, is it native, invasive a nuisance, etc., and be neatly and attractively presented.

Minimum: Division A - 3 examples, Division B - 5 examples, Division C - 7 examples

- A. Pre K - 1st grade      B. 2nd - 3rd grade      C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-35 GARDEN INSECTS FOUND IN FLORIDA

An award of \$25 will be offered to the Junior Gardener in each division submitting the best description and illustration of either helpful or harmful garden insects. Entries should consist of hand drawings, the description of the insect characteristics and should be neatly and attractively presented.

Minimum: Division A- 3 examples, Division B - 5 examples, Division C - 7 examples

- A. Pre K - 1st grade      B. 2nd - 3rd grade      C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

## J-36 SHELLS IN FLORIDA

\$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener in each division for the best information, description, and illustrations and/or pictures of shells found in Florida. All materials should be presented securely in a Booklet. Judging Considerations: presentation, correct identification, knowledge of shells, artistic elements, and neatness.

- A. Pre K – 1st grade      B. 2nd – 3rd grade      C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed 1 page application and booklet limited to 6 pages front side only

## J-40 JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Six \$25 awards will be offered to a Junior Garden Club best achieving FFGC objectives in any one of the following:

A. Participation in Flower Show Design or Horticulture or participation in a workshop in design or horticulture and club projects including Arbor Day.

- 1) Pre K - 2nd grade      2) 3rd - 5th grade

B. Conducting conservation, clean earth programs and a Nature Study Picnic

- 1) Pre K - 2nd grade      2) 3rd - 5th grade

# YOUTH ANIMAL AWARDS J-30—J-40

C. Contribute to a nature related organization with financial support, services or goods and create a club scrapbook of the club’s year-long activities including the actions supporting the nature related organization.

- 1) Pre K - 2nd grade
- 2) 3rd - 5th grade

Submission: When referencing which award you are applying for, please use both the letter and number, *e.g.*, Award A2 or Award C1.

Send completed application and booklet of no more than six (6) pages front side only.

Unless another Scale of Points is indicated under a specific award, the Basic Scale of Points below will be used to judge all FFGC Awards Applications. Be sure to study the requirements for each award and understand which Scale of Points will be used for judging that award.

## SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation.....	5
Neat, concise, all information included on the FFGC Awards Application Form (three sheets allowed) or in the Book of Evidence (if required).	
Achievement .....	65
Size and scope of project, need and fulfillment, benefit, accomplishment, comprehensiveness of work, activities to attain goals, evaluation of <sup>of</sup> <del>the</del> goals reached, educational value, prior planning, very brief history if continuing project, financial report, other. Reflects the Aims and Goals of FFGC and NGC.	
Participation .....	15
Size of club, involvement of members (this can be suited to project scope), youth, community, professionals, residents in facilities, others. Not all of these must be involved.	
Record or Documentation .....	15
Supporting data (as applicable) clear and well-labeled, clear before and after photographs (if applicable), landscape plan (does not have to be professionally drawn), financial report (even if the project did not cost anything to initiate, state the financial plan of the event or project anticipated and where the money came from) letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles, Facebook Screenshots, (if possible), radio or TV script (if possible), etc. Photocopies are permitted.	

## YOUTH CONTESTS

*Send entries to Sandra T. Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, #1107,  
Fort Lauderdale FL 33301 by January 15*

### SMOKEY BEAR POSTER CONTEST

This contest is open to all children sponsored a Florida garden club; however, it is not necessary for the children to be members of a Junior Garden Club nor live in Florida *if* sponsored by a Florida garden club or club member. All the Contest Rules may be found on the NGC [website](#) or by contacting the FFGC Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl chairman, Jill Anderson. The local garden club chairperson must submit poster entries to the Florida awards chairperson (Sandra Arnold) by **JAN 20**. Sandra must submit the five winning posters from Florida to the Deep South Garden Club chairman, Mary Ogden, by FEB 10, 2024. Then Mary Ogden will submit winners to to the Deep South Awards Chair, Roxanna Champagne by FEB 15, 2024.

<https://gardenclub.org/2023-smokey-bear-woods-owl-poster-contest>

First (1st) through fifth (5th) grade students are invited to demonstrate through original drawings of Smokey Bear their understanding of fire prevention. The Grand Prize National Poster Winner will win a free round-trip airfare and accommodations for four to Washington, DC. \$50 will also be awarded to the First Place National Winners from each grade level sponsored by National Garden Club.

### YOUTH SCULPTURE CONTEST

To Download Rules and Entry Form click on this link: <https://gardenclub.org/poetry-contest>

Due: January 15  
Eligible: Grades 4-8 / Sponsored by a Garden Club  
Purpose: To encourage youth to keep our planet green and to get involved with saving the environment.

#### CONTEST RULES

1. Children in 4th grade through 8th grade will be eligible to enter the contest
2. The sculpture is limited to a size that would fit on a 8 1/2" x 11" sheet of paper and must be constructed of recyclable, reused, and reduced material
3. Entries should include as many photographs as can be printed on the back of the entry form; (2) 4x6 photographs are recommended
4. Club entries must be sent to Sandra Arnold, Florida State Awards Chairman by Nov 22. State winners must be sent to Deep South Garden Clubs, Inc. Regional Chairman by February 1, and then the Regional winners must be sent to the National Awards Chairman by March 1.
5. Youth sculpture contest winners will be asked to submit a high-quality photo of their entry to be used on the NGC website and in other NGC publications.

# YOUTH CONTESTS

## SCALE OF POINTS

Creative use of materials and self-expression: .....	60%
Description of sculpture and materials used: .....	30%
Craftsmanship and technique: .....	10%
TOTAL: .....	100%

## NATIONAL POETRY CONTEST

<https://gardenclub.org/poetry-contest>

Eligible:                    Grades K - 9 Special Education and English as a Second Language  
                                  Grades K - 9 General Education  
                                  Sponsored by a Garden Club

Theme:                     *Seeds, Trees, and Bees... Oh My! Celebrating the Diversity of Nature.*

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 Special Education and English as a Second Language: Kindergarten through Ninth Grade.  
General Education: Kindergarten through Ninth Grade.

### Contest Rules

1. All entries must be typed and titled
2. Include name, address, age, grade, and school of 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 parent or grandparent
5. All entries become the property of National Garden Clubs, 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.
9. When choosing poem title, please be creative and include at least one of the following key words from the theme: Seeds, Trees, Bees, or Nature.
10. Poems should be no longer than 24 lines (including title) with maximum 42 letters/spaces per line.

## SCALE OF POINTS

Title: .....	10%
Content: .....	40%
Creativity: .....	30%
Style: .....	20%
TOTAL.....	100%

## HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS HS-1—H20

Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661

Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: (954) 463-0246

Due January 2 except HS-12 which is due January 1 | Use the FFGC Awards Application Form

ALL APPLICATIONS WITH PHOTOS INCLUDING YOUTH UNDER THE AGE OF 18 MUST INCLUDE A SIGNED PUBLICATION RELEASE FORM FOR EACH YOUNG PERSON INVOLVED.

### **HS-1 YOUTH HORTICULTURE EDUCATIONAL AWARD**

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Include on your application:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested
4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Category: Grades 9-12

An award of \$25 is offered.

### **HS-2 FIELD TRIP AWARD**

Description and Purpose: The High School Youth Gardener who provides the best report (300-500 words) about a field trip to a garden, park, landscape center, school, urban gardening center, program or flower show.

Proof of Accomplishment: Information and knowledge gained from this field trip should be included in your report that is electronically produced on the FFGC Awards Application.

An award of \$25 is offered.

Due: JAN 2

Submissions sent to: Sandra Lynch, 333 Sunset Drive, Apartment 1107; Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301-2661 Email: sashandbob@aol.com; Phone: 954-463-0246

### **HS-12 HIGH SCHOOL DISTINGUISHED SERVICE PROJECT - DIFFERENT DEADLINE**

HIGH SCHOOL STUDENT, grades 9-12, for an outstanding civic project making a significant improvement for public benefit, e.g., environment, conservation, landscape, horticulture, recycling, horticulture therapy, others. A single member garden club, group of member clubs, district, or a state garden club must sponsor the project.

Include proof of accomplishment on official FFGC Awards Application.

Due: January 1st

AWARD AMOUNT: \$50.00

# HIGH SCHOOL AWARDS HS-1—H20

## HS-20 HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY AWARD - TOPIC – “THE BENEFITS OF LANDSCAPING WITH NATIVE PLANTS TO WILDLIFE”

An award of \$100 is offered to a High School Student for the best environmental essay on this year’s topic. The High School Essay Contest is open to all High School students attending 9th through 12th grades. The contest must be sponsored by: a single garden club, group of member clubs, councils or districts or a State Garden Club.

Essay Contest Rules: Length of essay: Between 600-700 words. The entry will be penalized if the essay does not conform to the required length. All words are to be counted. All entries must be typed and titled.

Vocabulary: .....	15 points
Conformance to length: .....	10 points
Manuscript = Total .....	10 points
Name, Address, Phone Number, School Attending, Grade,	
List of Activities, and Sponsoring Club:.....	5 points
(Should school policy preclude giving students’ name. address and/or phone number, please include the school address and phone number.)	
Neatness and legibility (a plastic folder will keep the manuscript neat): .....	5 points
Knowledge of Subject: .....	25 points
Practicality of Proposal: .....	10 points
Originality: .....	15 points
Subject matter well organized/Clarity of presentation: .....	15 points
Composition = Total .....	25 points
<b>TOTAL</b> .....	<b>65 points</b>

DS and NGC offers some awards that are compatible with an FFGC award for which you may be able to apply, if all criteria is relevant. They also offer awards that are not compatible with FFGC Awards. ALL awards from Florida must first be sent to the FFGC Awards Chair. There are awards for DS and NGC that are not compatible with FFGC Awards and still can be entered though the FFGC Awards Chair.

- All award application forms will be available on the FFGC website listed in the footer.
- They are all single page applications. Download/save them to your computer.
- Read the Description of Awards for FFGC, DS, and NGC.
- Submit your application to the FFGC award chair by the deadline of November 22, 2023.

To be helpful to the awards judging panels, please title your applications in this manner:

- The application itself (page one) should be named -- Award #, Name of Garden Club
- If submitting supporting pages two and three, name that file -- Award #, Name of Garden Club Pg 2-3.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR NGC AWARDS

<https://gardenclub.org/ngc-awards>

1. Download/save the fillable pdf form.
2. Save it as NGC Award #, Your Club Name
3. Email the NGC cover sheet (what they call their form) plus page three to the FFGC Award Chair at [FLawards2024@gmail.com](mailto:FLawards2024@gmail.com) (one award at a time). Please write NGC Award # and Name of Club on the email subject line.
4. If an award cannot be emailed, mail it to the FFGC chair whose full contact is on page three of this document.
5. On the FFGC Application, type the NGC Award #, Your Club Name.
6. Save the file, name it NGC Award #, Your Club Name and send to the FFGC Awards Chair.

## HOW TO APPLY FOR DS AWARDS

<https://www.deepsouthgardenclubs.com/awards>

1. Download/save the form. It will be a fillable .pdf. Email the cover sheet and page three to the FFGC Awards Chair.
2. On the email subject line, type DS Award # and Name of Club.
3. If an award cannot be emailed, please mail it to the FFGC Awards Chair (**SEE** pg 3).

## **ALWAYS, ALWAYS, ALWAYS**

**Submit your award to the FFGC Award Chair first.  
The chair then forwards your application outside of  
Florida to NGC or DEEP SOUTH if merited.**



# RESOURCES

**NGC G-2 RUBRIC**

**FFGC AWARDS APPLICATION**

**FLOWER SHOW RELATED AWARDS APPLICATION**

**FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS APPLICATION**

**FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD BOOK OF EVIDENCE**

**NGC FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS DETAILS & CHECKLIST**

**PRIOR WINNERS OF BLANCHE COPEL COVINGTON LEADERSHIP AWARD**

**PRIOR NELL COE WINNERS**

# NGC G-2 RUBRIC

## NGC AWARDS PROGRAM GENERAL SCORING RUBRIC

	MAX PTS
<b>Presentation</b>	<b>5 TOTAL</b>
Cover sheet included with all sections completed	2
Application adheres to 3 single page limit unless other size specified in award description	2
Application neat and concise	1
	<b>65 Total</b>
<b>Achievement</b>	
Meets NGC Mission & Goals	6
Scope of project defined	4
Need identified	7
Benefit to target (members/recipients/community/etc.)	10
Accomplishment of goals	8
Comprehensiveness of work	6
Activities to attain goals explained	8
Evaluation of goals reached	4
Educational	3
Prior Planning	4
Very brief history if continuing project (give full credit if not a continuing project)	3
Other	2
<b>Participation</b>	<b>15 Total</b>
% of member participation (may include any type of support given)	12
Involvement of others (community, government agencies, professionals, youth, facility residents, others)	3
<b>Documentation</b>	<b>15 Total</b>
Clear photos when applicable, labeled as needed	5
Landscape plan when applicable (give full credit if not)	5
Financial details	5
	<b>100 Total</b>



### FFGC Awards Application 2023-2025

FFGC Awards Chair **Sandra Arnold** | (352) 870-6161 | FLawards2024@gmail.com

**Deadline: November 22, 2023, unless stated otherwise.**

The award period is projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023.

Projects that occur between Nov 22-Dec 31 may submit late but only for FFGC awards.

MAIL application and printed issues to: Awards Chair Sandra Arnold,  
3420 SW 100 Street, Gainesville, FL 32608-9068

AWARD #: \_\_\_\_\_ CATEGORY (1-6) \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS (A-D): \_\_\_\_\_ AWARD NAME: \_\_\_\_\_  
DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_ # CLUB/CIRCLE MEMBERS \_\_\_\_\_ CLUB NAME \_\_\_\_\_  
PRES. NAME \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
Person submitting \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_  
President's phone \_\_\_\_\_ Your Phone \_\_\_\_\_

#### PLEASE COMPLETE EACH TOPIC, IF APPLICABLE.

1. Is your project new? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_ START DATE \_\_\_\_\_ END DATE \_\_\_\_\_
2. Have you applied for any other awards for this project? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_  
--if yes, please list other awards applied for:
3. Please include a brief summary and objectives of the project:

## SAMPLE AWARDS APPLICATION

4. Describe the involvement of other club members, other organizations, etc.:
5. Project expenses and/or means of funding:
6. Continuing involvement, follow-up, or maintenance:
7. Attach or insert photos, evidence, and/or landscape plan (it does not need to be professionally drawn)

**NOTE: This application is meant to be one page. If your responses require more space than provided, you may attach up to two more pages to complete any information on questions # 3-7 above.**



# Flower Show Related Awards Application 2023-2025

Deadline: November 30, 2023, *unless stated otherwise.*

The award period is projects that occurred between Jan 1-Dec 31, 2023. Projects that occur between Nov 30-Dec 31 may be submitted late, but only for Flower Show Related awards.

**Instructions:** Mail all **Flower Show Related Award** applications to **Gina Jogan**, FFSJ President 6727 Highway 99, Molino, FL 32577-4048, (850) 587-2621. Email: [gvjogan@panhandle.rr.com](mailto:gvojogan@panhandle.rr.com)

**Deadline: November 30, 2023**

**NOTE:** Application form is limited to three printed pages (this page and two additional pages) – front of pages only unless otherwise noted. (No report cover, binders, or plastic sheets allowed.) *Hard copy only; no electronic submissions (unless requested).* Application form will not be returned. Copy entry for your files.

Mail two (2) copies of your entry to Gina Jogan (address above).

AWARD #: \_\_\_\_\_ CLASS (A-D): \_\_\_\_\_ AWARD NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

DATE \_\_\_\_\_ APPLICANT'S NAME \_\_\_\_\_ DISTRICT # \_\_\_\_\_

# MEMBERS IN CLUB / CIRCLE \_\_\_\_\_ CITY \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF CLUB \_\_\_\_\_ PRES. NAME \_\_\_\_\_

President's Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

### FOR INDIVIDUAL OR GROUPS

[Enter name exactly as it should appear on any award received]

*If individual:*

Garden Club Name \_\_\_\_\_ President \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Person Preparing Application \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

### PLEASE COMPLETE EACH TOPIC, IF APPLICABLE.

Use numbering as below when completing form.

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Flower Show: \_\_\_\_\_

Where the Flower Show was held: \_\_\_\_\_ Ribbon won: \_\_\_\_\_

Attach or insert photos, schedules, and evidence that are required from the description of the award.

Revised September 2023

Download this form and save the blank copy to your computer. Complete the form and save it again. Send the completed form as your application.

## NGC FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD APPLICATION

The sponsoring organization must submit two copies of this Application Form by the deadline established by its State. One form must be permanently attached to the inside front cover of the Book of Evidence. The second form must be clipped to the booklet cover. **By January 15, State Awards Chairman must submit all Books of Evidence\* scoring 95+ to the NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards Chairman: Vera Bowen, 11 Dolly Drive, Bristol RI 02809-1578** // NOTE: \*Book of Evidence will not be returned to applicant unless a postage-paid self-addressed mailer is included when sent on to the NGC FS Achievement Awards Chairman.

Date of Flower Show \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Application \_\_\_\_\_ Title of NGC Flower Show \_\_\_\_\_

Name of Sponsoring Organization \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICANT'S CONTACT INFORMATION (individual representing organization)

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Address \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of State Awards Chairman \_\_\_\_\_

Signature of State President \_\_\_\_\_

NAME OF AWARD \_\_\_\_\_ AWARD # \_\_\_\_\_ # OF MEMBERS/CLUBS \_\_\_\_\_

APPLICATION

### SUMMARY OF AWARDS AVAILABLE\*\*

Award Name	Award #	# Members/Clubs	Award Name	Award #	# Members/Clubs
Club Standard FS	FS 1 A	<21 members	Near Club Standard FS	FS 9	2+ Clubs (near by)
	FS 1 B	1-49 members	Council Standard FS	FS 10 A	3+ Clubs
	FS 1 C	50-99 members	Judges Council Standard	FS 10 B	1+ Judges Council/s
	FS 1 D	100+ members	District/Region Standard	FS 11 A	≤ 15 Clubs
Holiday Standard FS	FS 2 A	1 Club		FS 11 B	≥ 16 Clubs
	FS 2 B	≥ 2 Clubs	State Flower Show	FS 12 A	≤ 100 Clubs
Patriotic Standard FS	FS 3 A	1 Club		FS 12 B	≥ 100 Clubs
	FS 3 B	≥ 2 Clubs	Youth FS	FS 13 A	1 Youth Club/Group
Petite Standard FS	FS 4 A	1 Club		FS 13 B	> Youth Clubs/Groups
	FS 4 B	≥ 2 Clubs	Youth Participation	FS 13 C	Division of Adult FS
Club Small Standard FS	FS 5 A	< 21 Members	Plant Society Show	FS 14	Affiliated with NGC
	FS 5 B	21-49 Members	Horticulture Specialty FS	FS 15 A	1 Club
	FS 5 C	50-99 Members		FS 15 B	≥ 2 Clubs
Holiday Small Standard FS	FS 6	1 Club < 100 members		FS 15 C	Coun., Dist., State, Region
Patriotic Small Standard FS	FS 7	1 Club < 100 members	Design Specialty FS	FS 16 A	1 Club
Petite Small Standard FS	FS 8	1 Club < 100 members		FS 16 B	≥ 2 Clubs
** Additional information on <a href="http://www.gardclub.org">www.gardclub.org</a> Awards				FS 16 C	Coun., Dist., State, Region

# FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARD BOOK OF EVIDENCE

## EXAMPLE LABEL FOR THE COVER OF THE FOLDER:

CLUB STANDARD FLOWER SHOW FS-1D FLORIDA – DISTRICT VIII  
LEMON BAY GARDEN CLUB, INC. 480 YALE STREET, PO BOX 1176, ENGLEWOOD, FLORIDA  
34295-1176

**DEADLINE** – AWARD APPLICATION MUST BE RECEIVED BY NOVEMBER 30.

**MAIL TO:** BARBARA MAY, FFGC FLOWER SHOW CONSULTANT  
4521 BARCLAY FAIRWAY, WELLINGTON FL 33449

## NOTES:

- Use the Flower Show Achievement Award Application for Florida Flower Shows and include the NGC Award #, title of the NGC Flower Show and Sponsoring Organization.
- The show Evaluation Panel score is worth 75% of the final score for the award. The BOE is worth 25% of the final score.
- Flower Show Achievement Award Checklist
- NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Application (Fillable Form) NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Show Data (Fillable Form)

Evaluation Form for NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Directive for Insuring Consistency in Grading of Books of Evidence Sample BOE's

## ASSEMBLE THE BOE PACKAGE:

- Folder with label – No decorative artwork on the label or on the cover. Use a plain colored paper or plastic theme folder (not a ring binder).
- No more than 20 pages (10 pages if printed on front and back). Use clear protective page covers.
- All pages must be numbered beginning with the BOE title page.
- No loose items (brochures, publications, etc.)
- Staple one application form inside the front cover of the folder.
- Paper clip one application form to the outside front cover of the folder.
- Insert one copy of the flower show schedule in a large envelope that is attached to the inside back cover of the BOE folder.
- Provide a self-addressed stamped envelope to request a copy of the completed Evaluation Form used to judge the BOE.

# Prior Winners Of Blanche Copel Covington Leadership Award

## PRIOR WINNERS OF BLANCHE COPEL COVINGTON LEADERSHIP AWARD From 1945 to the Present

1945 Mrs. Alfred J. Beck, Ft. Lauderdale	1987 Doris Young, Ormond Beach
1946 Mrs. J. H. McDonald, Chattahoochee	1988 Carolyn Schaag, Palm Beach
1947 Mrs. E. W. Pinkham, Sarasota	1989 Chris Cooney, Winter Haven
1948 Mrs. Frank Walmsley, St. Petersburg	1991 Elizabeth Harrer, Gainesville
1949 Mrs. C. Verne Klintworth, Tampa	1992 Annette Haven, Cedar Key
1951 Mrs. Halle Cohen, Jacksonville	1993 Jo Fleming, Clermont
1952 Mrs. Charles J. Brown, Mount Dora	1994 Elise Haymans, Punta Gorda
1953 Mrs. George H. Newsome, Miami Bch.	1996 Cinny O'Donnell, Pensacola
1954 Mrs. Frank D. Moor, Tallahassee	1999 Beth Wilson, Valparaiso
1955 Mrs. Mary S. Compton, Orlando	2001 Leona Venettozzi, Molino
1956 Mrs. Vernon L. Connor, Mt. Dora	2002 Willie Clare Copeland, Madison
1957 Mrs. Melville Hall, Zephyrhills	2005 Pat Carver, Dade City
1958 Mrs. C. H. Blanchard, Pensacola	2006 Marie Harrison, Valparaiso
1959 Mrs. J. J. O'Donohue, St. Petersburg	2007 Audrey Swindal, Bartow
1960 Mrs. L. T. Nieland, Gainesville	2009 Betsy Adams, Coral Gables
1961 Mrs. Johnson Haygood Pace, Miami	2010 Tina V. Tuttle, Molino
1962 Mrs. Truman Green, Tampa	2011 Joan Pryor, Old Town
1963 Mrs. William C. Knox, Ft. Lauderdale	2012 Gina V. Jogan, Molino
1966 Mrs. Charles Thompson, Tampa	2001 Leona Venettozzi, Molino
1967 Mrs. Louis C. Oakley, St. Petersburg	2002 Willie Clare Copeland, Madison
1968 Mrs. Richard D. Pope, Cypress Gardens	2005 Pat Carver, Dade City
1969 Miss Mary Noble, Jacksonville	2006 Marie Harrison, Valparaiso
1970 Mrs. Riley Moffett, Pensacola	2007 Audrey Swindal, Bartow
1971 Mrs. A. Santille, Pensacola	2009 Betsy Adams, Coral Gables
1973 Mrs. Horace I. Tompkins, Gulf Breeze	2010 Tina V. Tuttle, Molino
1974 Jean Bates Vallareal, Tampa	2011 Joan Pryor, Old Town
1976 Mrs. Tullis J. Woodham, Jacksonville	2012 Gina V. Jogan, Molino
1977 Ella Wood, Winter Haven	2013 Elizabeth Shaw, Gainesville
1978 Mrs. Helen G. Cruickshank, Rockledge	2014 Janice Hamlin, Bradenton
1979 Elsie Caton, Tampa	2017 Kitty Wallace, Tampa
1980 Dr. Fanny-Fern Davis, Valparaiso	2018 Albert Latina, Temple Terrace
1981 Mrs. Louis E. Enders, N. Palm Beach	2019 Inez T Brooker, Gainesville
1983 Elaine Mills, Miami	2021 Mary Whisler, Crystal River
1984 Ben Young, Tampa	2023
1985 Mrs. H. J. Gilbert, Sebring	2025
1986 Louise Hill, Miami	2027