

NGC AWARDS 2019-2021

ENTRIES: Divided by size of club, please include size letter (i, ii, iii, iv, v, from Page 2) on the application.

DEADLINE: To your state's Awards Chairman by your state's deadline.

Scale of Points: The general scale on page three of this document is applicable to this award.

SECTION ONE: Community Service Projects (formerly Civic Achievement)

CS-1 (new) Community Gardens- A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the Overall Winner, (sponsorship to be created), of the most outstanding community garden project, providing green space, and/or opportunities for social gatherings, beautification, education, recreation or the growing of food.

CS-1(A) Establishment of a new community garden by one or a group of clubs.

CS-1(B) Establishment of a new community garden while partnering with another organization.

CS-1(C) Continuing participation in a community garden by one or a group of clubs

CS-1(D) Continuing participation in a community garden while partnering with another organization.

CS-2 (formerly Award #1) The Kellogg Civic Achievement Award- A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the Overall Winner (sponsorship under review) To be awarded for the most distinguished civic or conservation working making a permanent improvement for public benefit, e.g. establishing sanctuaries, children's gardens, municipal gardens, etc. No commercial projects are eligible.

CS-2(A) Single member garden club-(i, ii, iii, iv)

CS-2(B) Group of member clubs-(councils or districts, etc.) (v)

CS-3 (formerly Award #2) The Fisher Garden Center Award-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the Overall Winner (sponsorship to be created). May be awarded for a garden center, maintained by members, which in proportion to size has

performed the greatest service to the community, eg. library, lectures furthering NGC objectives, courses, exhibits, trial garden, youth involvement, networking with other civic organizations. Text to include days/hours center is open to public and activities held at center.

CS-3(A) Single member garden club-(i, ii, iii, iv)

CS-3(B) Group of member clubs (council or districts, etc.) (v)

CS-4 (new) Food Bank Donations-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the Overall Winner, (sponsorship to be created), donating the largest quantity of freshly-grown food to a food bank, pantry or other organization providing food to those in need in a community.

CS-4(A) Club members grow food in a garden or gardens, and donate, as above.

CS-4(B) Produce from a community garden that the club is involved with, is donated, as above.

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation: 5 points: neat, concise, includes all required information on the NGC Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed).

Achievement 65 points: Verified quantity information from the organization receiving the food. (Receipt, letter of acknowledgement, etc.) Scope of project, need and fulfillment; benefit; activities to attain goals, planning, financial report, any other relevant information.

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

Record or Documentation: 15 pts. Supporting data (as applicable), clear, well-labeled, and neatly attached photographs of gardens and the products of the gardens and the donations; Letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles, if any.

CS-5 (formerly Award #7) Special Achievement-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship to be created) to the Overall Winner for the most outstanding civic

project furthering NGC objectives and projects throughout the club year, or special projects not provided for in another NGC Award.

CS-5(A) Single member garden club (i, ii, iii, iv)

CS-5(B) Group of member clubs (councils, districts, etc.) (v)

CS-5(C) Individual garden club member

CS-5(D) State Garden Club (i, ii, iii, iv)

CS-5(E) Affiliates (dues paid directly to NGC)

SECTION TWO- COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION PROJECTS

CB-1 (formerly Award #20) ROADSIDE BEAUTIFICATION A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review), to the OVERALL WINNER for outstanding, permanent roadside beautification within a state. The project may be continuous, but must have an advanced degree of completion prior to making application. This award may be given only once for the same project.

A. Single member garden club-(i,ii, iii, iv)

B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

C. State Garden Clubs-(i, ii, iii, iv)

D. National Affiliate (dues paid directly to NGC)

CB-2 (new) COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship to be created) to the Overall Winner for the most outstanding beautification project in a city, town, or a neighborhood, done on a continuing basis or as a special one-time event.

CB-2(A) Special, One-Time Event-(Club size i,ii,iii, iv)

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

SECTION THREE: ENVIRONMENTAL CONCERNS AND CONSERVATION

EC-1 (formerly Award #6) The Lucile Droege Mauntel Conservation Award in honor of Shirley Nicolai, a Certificate of Merit and \$100.00, (sponsorship under review), to be awarded to the Overall Winner for conservation activities, e.g. education or legislative activity; conservation field project; natural resource development, such as a watershed, erosion control, reforestation, wildlife refuge, overall excellence and well-balanced year's conservation activities.

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii, iii, iv)
- B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)(v)
- C. Individual garden club member
- D. State garden club-(i,ii, iii, iv)

EC-2 (formerly Award #39) Litter/Recycling/Reclamation (The Harriet Thomas Award), a Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review) to the Overall Winner for the most outstanding community project on litter prevention, reclamation and/or recycling, e.g. year-long program, organizing recycling program, establishing community composting site, etc.

EC-2(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

EC-2(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

EC-2(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)

EC-3 (formerly #41) CONSERVATION EDUCATION, the Hazel Johnson Award A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review) for the Overall Winner with the most comprehensive work and/or study in conservation education.

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)
- B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
- C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

EC-4 (formerly #42) BIRDS-The Nannine C. Wallis Award A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review), for the Overall Winner conducting the most comprehensive and effective project for bird protection and welfare, e.g. sanctuaries, providing food, houses, and promoting law enforcement relative to bird welfare.

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

C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

EC-5 (formerly #43 Butterfly) **POLLINATORS- A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00** (sponsorship under review) **for the Overall Winner conducting the most comprehensive and effective project on pollinating insects or animals (e.g. habitat protections, protection of migratory routes, public education, establishment of pollinator gardens at a school or community site, or other)**

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
 - B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
 - C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)
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EC-6 (new) **WATER-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00**, (sponsorship to be created), **for the Overall Winner, most outstanding project with an emphasis on water conservation and/or clean water.**

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
 - B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
 - C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)
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EC-7 (new) **Organic Gardening Practices A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00**, (sponsorship to be created), **for the Overall Winner, most outstanding project emphasizing and employing the use of organic materials and methods in a gardening project, or educational activity.**

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)
 - B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
 - C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
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SECTION FOUR: FLORAL DESIGN

FD-1 (formerly Award #38) **HELEN S. HULL CALENDAR FLOWER ARRANGER OF THE YEAR- A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for each category, (A and B)** (sponsorship under review). **This award shall be determined by the NGC Vision of Beauty Calendar Committee. Garden club members and members of clubs affiliated with NGC may submit digital photos of all types. of designs-traditional, contemporary, new trends and those appropriate for seasons of the year and holidays. Entries are submitted directly to the NGC Calendar Chairman**

(Please note: the entry form and requirements are found in the current Vision of Beauty Calendar and will also be placed on the NGC Website)

FD-1(A) Flower Arranger of the Year (Individual)

FD-1(B) International Affiliate Flower Arranger of the Year

DEADLINE: JULY 1 OF EACH YEAR. SUBMISSIONS DIRECTLY TO THE NGC CALENDAR CHAIRMAN. (Brenda Bingham, 7 Lenape Trail, Cedar Grove, NJ 07009. bbing@comcast.net (973-433-0243) or (201-738-4204)) (cell)

FD-2 (new) FLORAL DESIGN PROGRAM-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship to be created), **to the Overall Winner for the most outstanding program or workshop teaching floral design to club members and/or the public.** (Excluding NGC Flower Show Schools and Symposiums).

A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)

B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

DEADLINE: To your state's Award Chairman by your state's deadline.

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 5 pts.-neat, concise, includes all required information on the NGC Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed)

Achievement 65 pts.- Detailed description of program presented, location, date and time, attendance, research and preparation for program, materials used/provided, and any other relevant information.

Participation: 15 pts.-size of club, involvement of members, community, government agencies, professionals, youth, residents in facilities, others. (Not all of these have to be involved, just list those that were).

Record or Documentation 15 pts.-supporting data (as applicable), clear, well-labeled and neatly attached before & after photographs if applicable. Letters of appreciation, community awards, newspaper/magazine articles (if possible. Financial report.

SECTION FIVE: HISTORIC PRESERVATION/HISTORIC, MEMORIAL or CHURCH GARDENS

HP-1 (formerly #50) The May Duff Walters Achievement Award for Preservation of Beauty, A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00, (sponsorship under review), to the Overall Winner for a historic preservation project such as the restoration of a park, a building and/or garden of importance to local, state or national heritage.

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
 - B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)
 - C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)
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HP-2 (formerly #51) Decoration of a Historic Building A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review) for the tasteful decoration of a historic building/house/mansion. Decorations are not required to be of the period of the building, but should be creative, distinctive, and harmonize with the building's style. Designer's choice of all materials within the purview of curator, official or owner of the building.

HP-2(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

HP-2(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

SECTION SIX: GARDENING

(Please note: the former World Gardening Award, #46 has been eliminated)

G-1 (new) CONTAINER GARDENING-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00,(sponsorship being created), for the most outstanding container or containers of fruits, vegetables, herbs, flowers or a combination thereof.

G-1(A) Single container grown by an NGC/IA member

G-1(B) Multiple containers in one location grown by an NGC/IA Member

G-1(C) Single container grown by an NGC Club/IA Club

G-1(D) Multiple containers in one location grown by an NGC/IA Club

(indicate club size if applicable-(i,ii,iii, iv)

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 5 points-neat, concise, includes all required information on the NGC Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed).

Container Quality 90 points-selection of container, selection of plants for container, unity of container and plants, including considerations of design elements and principles.

Record or Documentation 5 Points-supporting data, (at least one photo required), clear, well-labeled and neatly attached, plant list, any publicity, letter of thanks, etc., if planted in a public area, rather than a private location.

G-2 Edible Gardening-Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the most outstanding garden of edibles, (fruits, vegetables, edible flowers)(sponsorship being created) IA eligible to apply.

G-2(A) Garden of Edibles grown by an individual (IA's eligible to apply)

G-2(B) Garden incorporating edibles in an ornamental landscape grown by an individual (IA's eligible to apply)

G-2(C) Garden of edibles grown by a club (IA's eligible to apply)

G-2(D) Garden incorporating edibles in an ornamental landscape grown by a club (IA's eligible to apply)

(indicate club size if applicable-(i,ii,iii,iv))

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 5 points-neat, concise, includes all required information on the NGC Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed).

Quality of Garden 90 points: Garden plan, selection of plants, growth and maturity of plants, successful incorporation of edibles (if applicable); successful production of edibles; overall health and attractiveness of garden.

Record or Documentation 5 points-supporting data, (at least one photo), clear, well-labeled, and neatly attached, any publicity, letter, etc, if planted in a public area rather than a private location.

G-3 (formerly #19 and #48)-Therapy Gardens. A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 to the Overall Winner, (sponsorship under review) for the establishment or restoration of a garden or gardens to benefit the physically or learning challenged, residents in nursing homes, schools, prisons, low-income housing, cancer centers, etc. includes

barrier free gardens, accessible gardening, community gardens, meditation gardens at a hospital, etc. The goal of these gardens can also be to increase awareness or to give hope.

G-3(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)

G-3(B) Group of member clubs (councils, districts, etc.) (v)

G-3(C) Individual garden club member

G-4(D) State garden club-(i,ii, iii, iv)

SECTION SEVEN-LANDSCAPING AND LANDSCAPE DESIGN

(Please note: Former landscaping awards #26 and #40 have been eliminated)

L-1 (formerly #29-1) Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship being created) for the Overall Winner of the most outstanding Blue Star Memorial Highway Marker landscaping project. 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 marker.

L-1(A) Single member garden club-(i, ii,iii, iv)

L-1(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

L-1(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-2 (formerly #29-2) Blue Star Memorial Byway Marker-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship being created) for the Overall Winner of the most outstanding Blue Star Memorial Byway Marker landscaping project. (Same parameters as L-1).

L-2(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-2(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

L-2(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-3 (formerly #29-3) Blue Star Memorial Marker at a National Cemetery, Veteran's Facility or other civic location-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship being created) for the Overall Winner of the most outstanding Blue Star Memorial Marker landscaping project. (Same parameters as L-1).

L-3(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-3(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

L-3(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-4 (formerly #49) The Dr. William C. Welch Award, a Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship to be created) to the Overall Winner for the most significant contribution in providing planning and planting for: commercial property, church or synagogue, hospital, library, civic center, park, waterfront, etc. Copy of landscape plan must be included with application.

L-4-Single member club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-5 (formerly #62) Landscape Design-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship to be created) to the Overall Winner for the most outstanding project in the field of landscape design.

L-5(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-5(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)(v)

L-5(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-6 (formerly #28) Landscape Design for Church Gardens- The May Duff Walters Achievement Award (sponsorship under review), a Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for planning or planting of a church or synagogue garden that meets the needs of the congregation.

L-6(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

L-6(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

L-6(C) Individual garden club member

SECTION EIGHT-NATIVE PLANTS AND WILDFLOWERS (formerly Operation Wildflower) Awards of up to \$1,000, may be awarded to winners. Entries must include supporting information as applicable: Before and after photos; safety must be considered in all plantings; educational value as well as aesthetic beauty should be show; unique aspects and/or unusual features; financial statement; other. NO PROJECT MAY RECEIVE AN AWARD FOR TWO CONSECUTIVE YEARS.

NPW-1 (formerly #71 Roadside Award) ROADSIDE PLANTINGS for notable environmental preservation and enhancement of roadsides and rest areas using

wildflowers and native plants of your region. Projects may be sited on rural byways, urban highways, roadside rest areas, entrances to towns, medians, etc.

NPW-1(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

NPW-1(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.)

NPW-1(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

NPW-2 (formerly #73) CIVIC PROJECTS WITH NATIVE PLANTS for establishing wildflower gardens, memorial gardens, or the restoration of historic gardens with emphasis on native plant material to your region.

NPW-2(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

NPW-2(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

NPW-3(C) State garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

NPW-3 (formerly #74) OUTDOOR CLASSROOMS, NATURE TRAILS for establishing outdoor classrooms, nature trails, wildflower walks, etc. with the emphasis on wildflowers and native plants to your region.

NPW-3(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

NPW-3(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

NPW-3(C) State garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

SECTION NINE-MEMBERSHIP AND PROMOTION

MP-1 (NEW and replacing #44, Publicity Press Books):

GARDEN CLUB MEMBERSHIP-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00, to the Overall Winner, (sponsorship being created) for the most innovative activity or activities, or most outstanding effort, to increase public visibility; to increase club membership, 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. (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)

MP-1(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

MP-1(B) Group of member clubs (council, district, etc.) (v)

MP-1(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 5 points- neat, concise, includes all required information on the NGC Awards Application Form (3 sheets allowed), or the Book of evidence, if required.

Achievement 65 points- Innovative nature of activities and/or publications; quality of printed materials and contents (includes material to be published electronically); activities to attain goals; planning and execution of activities and/or publications; any successful publicity obtained.

Participation 15 points- size of club; involvement of members, community, professionals, youth, etc., as applicable.

Record or Documentation 15 points- supporting data (as applicable), clear, well-labeled and neatly attached photos, if applicable, any printed material created (can include content placed on websites, social media sites, etc.)

MP-2 National Garden Week-(formerly #53)-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 (sponsorship under review), **for the best overall promotion of National Garden Week; entry to show community awareness throughout the entire week and include local and/or state proclamations.**

MP-2(A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

MP-2(B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)

MP-2(C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

MP-3 Social Media/Website (formerly #63-1 and #63-2) **A Certificate of Merit and \$200.00 (divided among the four categories)**(sponsorship under review and additional sponsorship to be created) **for the most outstanding website or social media page promoting the sponsoring organization and NGC objectives. 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. Provide on the NGC Awards Application Form your website address, who maintains site, how often updated, and cost. Ease of navigation will be considered while judging from the current site. (IA's are eligible to apply for this award)**

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

MP-3(B) Social media page designed and managed by club member/members

MP-3(C) Website professionally designed

MP-3(4) Social media page professionally designed

Include size designation for club or state:

Club: (i,ii,iii, iv or group of clubs v)

State: (i,ii,iii, iv)

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 25 points: Design/Appearance: attractive, engaging, easy to view; layout

Navigation 35 points: Ease of navigation, navigation system (bar, map, etc.) logical flow of pages, clear page headers, links active

Achievement 20 points: Club/group information present/ease to find, educational

Promotion 10 points: Promotes NGC objectives

Maintenance 10 points: Does it appear to be updated?

MP-4 (formerly #68) Video/CD/DVD/Flash Drive- A Certificate of Merit and a \$100.00 (sponsorship under review) for the Overall Winner of the best video/CD/DVD/Flash Drive (or any like and newer technology) production on any NGC objective as listed below:

- 1) History/Archives
- 2) Garden Tours (private)
- 3) Garden Tours (public)
- 4) Flower Shows
- 5) Projects
- 6) Programs
- 7) Other

Size designation: A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

B) Group of member clubs-(v)

C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)

D) National Affiliate (dues paid directly to NGC)

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation 60 points: Includes required information on NGC Awards Application form (3 pages allowed). Design/appearance; audio: Memorable content and delivery; creativity; images clear, concise, easy to view and comprehend; logical order of sequence; all visual effects contribute to rather than detract from the message.

Achievement 20 points: Overall impact (educational, inspiring, persuasive); club/group information present and accurate.

Promotion 20 points: Clear message; promotes NGC objectives or projects; means of distribution, profits realized, if applicable.

MP-5 (formerly #27) Radio and/or TV- A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 for the Overall Winner having the best garden-oriented programming. Submit date/s aired, length of programs and typewritten scripts/s of series or guest appearances (if available). Submit date/s aired, length of program and typewritten scripts of public service announcements. Submit audio or video tape of any one program or public service announcements.

MP-5(A) Radio: A single or series of programs or a single or series of Public Service Announcements (10, 20, 30, 60 seconds), guest appearances/s, or other.

MP-5(B) Television: A single or series of programs, or a single or series of Public Service Announcements (10, 20, 30, 60 seconds), guest appearances/s or other.

Size designation: Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
 Group of member clubs-(v)
 Individual garden club member (vi)
 State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
 National Affiliate (dues paid directly to NGC) (vii)
 Individual National Affiliate Member (viii)

SCALE OF POINTS: The same scale used for MP-4

MP-6 (formerly #15) Membership-The Violet N. Gose Award-A Certificate of Merit and \$100.00 each awarded to A and B.

MP-6(A) State Garden Club showing the greatest increase in paid membership, as of October 31, of the Award Year.

MP-6(B) State Garden Club showing the greatest increase per capita, as of October 31, of the Award Year.

THIS AWARD CALCULATED FROM DATA AT NATIONAL, NO APPLICATION NECESSARY

MP-7 (formerly #31) Hazel O'Hern-The National Gardener Award-A Certificate of Merit for the state that with the largest increase in subscriptions to the National Gardener. (The State must have a minimum of 150.00 paid subscriptions and a 10% increase for the year)

THIS AWARD IS CALCULATED FROM DATA AT NATIONAL, NO APPLICATION NECESSARY

MP-8 (formerly #52) Life Membership Award- A Certificate and \$100 each (sponsorship under review) will be presented to:

- A. State Garden Club with the greatest increase in NGC Life Memberships from May 1 through April 30.
- B. State Garden Club with the greatest per capita increase in NGC Life Membership from May 1 through April 30.

THIS AWARD IS CALCULATED FROM DATA AT NATIONAL, NO APPLICATION NECESSARY

SECTION 10-PUBLICATIONS- (Note to state awards chairmen, your state's submissions go to Vice-Chairman Carol Keefe, 446 Woodlawn Drive, Eufala, AL 36027-5011; 334-687-5120; TKeeffe4779@aol.com)

The three page limit does not apply to publication award submissions. (Award #3 has been eliminated)

Submit entries for PUB-1 and PUB-2 in an envelope; attach one application to the outside of the envelope and place one inside the envelope. Electronic entries are acceptable. MUST be in PDF or Word format. If you wish for submitted books or CD's to be returned, please enclose a self-addressed, stamped envelope. They will be returned following the NGC Convention.

**PUB-1 (formerly #12) PUBLICATIONS-A Tommy Donnan Certificate of Merit may be awarded in each category 1-4 for publications that are published at least three times per year under one-editorship or management. Notices and flyers for one-time events do not apply. Newsletters: submit only three sample issues and state number of issues per year. Printed publications or those prepared for electronic distribution are acceptable entries.(IA's may apply for this Award)
Categories:**

- 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
- 4) Newsletter, Magazine or Bulletin over 24 pages

Eligibility for Categories 1-4:

- A) Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
- B) Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
- C) State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
- D) National Affiliate (dues paid directly to NGC) (vi)
- E) International Affiliate (send entry to Ursula B. de Gomez)

SCALE OF POINTS:

Presentation (as applicable) 5 points. Application includes brief description of publication, club membership. No limit on number of pages in publication.

Achievement (as applicable) 65 points- educational, informative, accuracy, clarity of subject;quality of printing, photography, and/or graphics; coverage received; general appeal; **indicates that your organization is a member of National Garden Clubs, Inc.**

Promotes NGC Objective/s- 15 points

Record or Documentation (as applicable) 15 points-number of copies distributed/sold, how distributed, financial information: cost of publishing, price if sold, market seen.

PUB-2 (formerly #13) PUBLICATIONS A Tommy Donnan Certificate of Merit may be awarded in each category 1-4 for the entry judged best in each category, 1-8. Notices and flyers for one-time events are not eligible. Printed publications or those prepared for electronic distribution are acceptable entries. IA’s may apply for this award. Categories:

- 1) Manuals, handbooks (examples: procedural, duties of officers, awards)
- 2) Educational (examples: environmental, landscape, gardening, horticulture therapy)
- 3) Horticulture, design (examples: judging, guide to exhibiting, floral design, mechanics)
- 4) History
- 5) Membership (examples: brochure, leaflet)
- 6) Calendars
- 7) Cookbooks
- 8) Other

Eligibility for Categories 1-8:

- A. Single member garden club-(i,ii,iii,iv)

- B. Group of member clubs (councils or districts, etc.) (v)
- C. State Garden Club-(i,ii,iii, iv)
- D. National Affiliate (dues paid directly to NGC) (vi)
- E. International Affiliate (send to Ursula B. de Gomez)

SCALE OF POINTS-(same as PUB-1)

SECTION ELEVEN-SERVICE AND RECOGNITION

SR-1 Award of Distinguished Service-may be presented by local garden clubs to businesses, industrial establishments, schools, youth clubs, civic organizations, etc., who are not affiliated with a garden club, for ongoing or completed projects. Award Certificates #5234 may be purchased from NGC Member Services in St. Louis.

SR-2 Citation for Distinguished Service- (formerly #9) will be awarded to a National Garden Clubs, Inc. President. NGC owes much of its program and development to wise leadership. In grateful appreciation of notable achievement and guidance by the NGC President, a citation for distinguished service and token of appreciation will be awarded upon completion of the President's term of office.

SR-3 Member Award of Honor- may be awarded to one member in each region whose volunteer efforts during a period of five or more years, has made outstanding contributions to club and community, in one or more of the following areas: civic development, horticulture therapy, youth activities, conservation, landscape design, horticulture, floral design, or all around excellence. Eligibility: any member of a State Garden Club, who has **never** been a member of NGC Board of Directors. Eligibility and Rules are listed on the NGC Website in a separate document on the Awards Page. A book of evidence shall be submitted (not to exceed six pages), as specified in the rules.

State Awards Chairman to forward one entry to the Regional Awards Chairman by February 1. Regional Awards Chairman forwards one entry by February 20 to the national Member Award of Honor Chairman, Lisa Robinson, 2931 Avenham Ave. SW, Roanoke, VA 24014-1530; 540-904-7905; GardenLisaVA@gmail.com The 8 winners will receive an NGC Certificate and a pin at the NGC Convention. They will be recognized in *The National Gardener*.

SR-4 PRESIDENTIAL CITATION- These will be given by the NGC President to those who have performed outstanding service to NGC.

SR-5 NGC Award for Major Non-Standard Flower Shows-A medal depicting the NGC Seal hung on a green ribbon may be presented at a major non-standard flower shows, e.g. The New England Spring Flower Show (Massachusetts), The Southeastern Flower Show (Atlanta) etc., if the committee for the shows agrees to the presentation. Two medals will be available, one for the exhibit judged to be the finest in the Horticulture Division and one for the exhibit judged to be the finest in the Design Division. Winning exhibits must be blue ribbon winners scoring 95 or more and selection made by three NGC Accredited Flower Show Judges. Presentation to winners shall be by the President of the State Garden Club or an NGC Officer when possible. **Make application in writing to NGC Headquarters six months in advance of the Flower Show date.**
