

FFGC Awards & Honors Committee Report
Board Meeting – **October 5, 2026**
Louise Andrews – Chairperson, 2025-2027
www.ffgc.org

Purpose of Awards:

Recognize members for hard work, dedication, highlight talents, creativity, group cohesion and pride, attract new members, give credibility and visibility in the community.

Committee Chairperson's Responsibility:

1. Provide information and actively pursue applicants for FFGC State Awards and GCS Awards.
2. Recruit and assist members in applying for awards.
3. Receive *copies* of all award applications, to keep an accurate record of all entries.
4. In January, remind and encourage nominations for EOY GCS Awards given by Executive Board & Circles.

General Information regarding FFGC:

5. State Awards year is Jan.1 – Dec. 31, 2026.
6. Deadline for electronic submission is *November 27, 2026* unless indicated otherwise
7. Winners announced, presented at FFGC Convention, April 6-8, 2027, Kissimmee, FL.
8. Previous year award winners CAN'T submit same entry category for two consecutive years.
9. Some State Award winner's entries will be routed for judging to Deep South or NGC, dependent upon if a commensurate award is given. All Award Entries first go to FFGC.

Award Topics relative to Garden Club of Stuart: (taken from ffgc.org, #1-78)

- # 9 Special Membership Incentive (BOE) – June 1, 2025 – Dec.15,2027
- #11 Yearbook (not eligible this year, 1st place 2025, Susan Licari, 2nd Place Deep South
- #14 Website (not eligible this year, 1st place Mary Ann Abegglen)
- #14-A Facebook
- #17 Historic Decorations/Preservation (House of Refuge? Allamanda Circle?)
- #20 Years Horticulture Program (Jan.1 -2026 – Dec. 31,2026)
- #29 Community Service Design (6 of weekly, monthly exhibit in public places)
- #30 Community Gardens
- #32 Park/City Planning (Satin Leaf?)
- #35 Fundraising (Garden Tour Trips to Africa?)
- #40 Arlington Dolly Morris (landscape design in member's yard)
- #43 Blue Star/Gold Star Memorial
- #46 Garden Tour (Bonnie Stoeppelman)
- #48 Flowering Trees
- #56 Butterfly Conservation (Leslie Perna?)
- #58 Promoting Bees Through Knowledge (Program)
- #66 National Garden Week (last June? Linda Sarrubi?)
- #69 Digital Photography (Bonnie Stoeppelman?)
- #D-3 Membership Citation (June 2025 – Feb.15, 2027)

Application:

Cover Sheet (fillable pdf document), *plus* 3 pages of requested award criteria (1 side only)

Email: all entries submitted online to sswartzffgc@gmail.com (239.339.3778 c) unless indicated otherwise

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FFGC Awards – Convention, April 14 – 17, 2026
2025 Award Application Year

1. Susan Licari #105 BOE Patriotic Standard Flower Show – 1st Place*
2. Susan Licari #11 Class 6, Yearbook, 1st Place
3. Susan Licari #11 Class 6, Yearbook, 2nd Place, DEEP SOUTH
4. Mary Ann Abegglen #14 Website – 1st Place
5. Nancy Binger #120 Flower Show Focal Award – 1st Place
6. Nancy Binger #122 NGC Standard Flower Show Schedule – 1st Place
7. Rosita Aristoff # 133 Flower Show Botanical Arts/Artistic Crafts – 1st Place

* Listed on FFGC website by Nancy Binger as she was in charge of the 2025 GCS Flower Show