FFGC Awards & GCS Honors Committee Report GCS BOARD Meeting - December 1, 2025 Louise Andrews - Chairperson, 2025-2027

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FFGC AWARDS INFO

Committee Chairperson's JOB:

- 1. Recruit / assist applicants for various FFGC State Awards based upon GCS projects/activities.
- 2. Receive copies of FFGC award applications for accurate records of all entries.
- 3. FFGC awards year is Jan. 1-Dec.31, 2025. <u>Deadline for entries is Nov.27, 2025</u> unless...???
- 4. 2025 Winners announced and presented at 2026 FFGC Convention, April 14-17, Lake Buena Vista, Florida. FFGC nominates award winners to Deep South & NGC for respective awards.

Applications Submitted for FFGC Awards

- 1. Susan Licari #105 BOE Patriotic Standard Flower Show
- 2. Rosita Aristoff #133 FS Botanical Arts Artistic Crafts Award
- 3. Susan Licari #11 Class 6, Yearbook
- 4. Bonnie Stoeppelman #126 FS Educational Exhibit Award "Recycling"
- 5. Mary Ann Abegglen #14 Website
- 6. Mary Lersch #128 FS Petite Award "Floral Design"
- 7. Susan Slater #132 FS Bromeliad Award "Grower's Choice"
- 8. Nancy Binger #120 FS Focal Area
- 9. Nancy Binger #121 FS Staging
- 10. Nancy Binger #122 NGC Standard Flower Show Schedule
- 11. Lisa Weidemheimer #138 FS Cactus Award (was awarded best in horticulture, GCS Flower Show)

Other Possible Submissions, Jan. 1, - Dec. 31, 2026 YEAR Awards - ask Louise Andrews #80 Art in Bloom

| #8 | 30 Art in Bloom | #56 Butterfly Conservation |
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| #1 | 13 Publications (Garden Tour Booklet?) | #69 Digital Photography – A,B,C,D,E or F |
| | 14 Website | #30 Community Gardens |
| #1 | 14A Facebook | #36 Garden Tour Award |
| #4 | 44 Native Plant Landscape (Possum Long?) | #45 Organic Gardening |
| #3 | 32 Park/City Planting (Sewall's Point/ Satin Leaf?) | #58 Promoting Bees through Knowledge |
| #4 | 13 Blue Star Memorial Marker | #65 Convention Delegate Award |
| #1 | 17 Habitat for Hymanita | I ward Delegate riward |

#47 Habitat for Humanity #78 Parks & Grounds Program #48 Flowering Tree Award #81 Floral Designer's Award

#66 National Garden Week #35 Fund Raising

www.ffgc.org (website) - organization

AWARDS (←--in menu bar select/click on, then scroll down to #1, #2 or #3)

1. AWARDS DESCRIPTIONS & RULES

Awards Information

Awards Handbook 2025 - 2027, pp.1-41 FFGC Awards # 1-81, pp.10-37

FFGC Awards Application Cover Sheet p.9

2. FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

- A. FS Achievement Awards Handbook, #101-113, pp.1-24 FS Achievement Award Application, p. 6
- B. FS Related Awards Handbook, #120-137, pp.1-11 FS Related Awards Application (1 page)

3. AWARD WINNERS PREVIOUS YEAR - 2024

GCS HONORS AWARDS

Recognizing an individual for their outstanding participation and projects in garden club is so exhilarating for that person being honored. It truly invigorates them to continue moving forward. We honor these members each year at our Annual Spring Luncheon.

Our list of awards is located in your GCS Yearbook, pages 18-19. Winners are selected by our President and a committee. Each of you may nominate any member by listing their qualifications. Submit your letter to our President for a specific award. You may nominate an individual for any of the awards listed below. The award is based upon qualifications over a period of time and not by the number of letters received. Current GCS officers are not eligible for any of these awards. More information relative to each specific award is found in our yearbook.

GARDEN CLUB OF STUART AWARDS

- 1. Member of the Year GCS
- 2. Community Service Award GCS
- 3. Distinguished Service Award GCS
- 4. Cyndy Trossbach Award Debbie Sahlberg

FFGC AWARDS

These awards are awarded by either GCS or a Circle. An application for these awards must be downloaded from the FFGC website and returned to FFGC by March15. If given at our state convention, April 14-17, or at our Annual Spring Luncheon, April 13, the <u>submission date is one</u> <u>month prior to the convention, March 15 or earlier</u>. The following 3 awards cost \$100 each and the recipient receives a pin to wear, acknowledging the award.

- 5. Hall of Fame
- 6. Pillar of Pride
- 7. Earth Steward Qualified community members are eligible for this award.

OUR AFFILIATIONS

National Garden Club (website) www.ngc.org
Deep South Garden Club (website) www.deepsouth.org
Florida Federation of Garden Clubs – (website) www.ffgc.org
GCS is in District X of XII (website) www.districtx.org
GCS (website) www.gardenclubofstuart.org

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Look at the menu bar, CLICK on UPCOMING EVENTS for all the 2025-2026 gardening related events in our district X. It is sorted by months. Pertinent information is given for each event plus ability to print flyers, contact info, cost, etc.

Dec. 6-7, NGC Standard Flower Show, Garden Club of Indian River County, Vero Beach

Dec.7, Holiday Boutique, Ocean Ridge, Fund Raiser, free

Jan. 13-16 NGC Flower Show School - Course 1, Boca Raton Garden Club, \$150

Jan. 13-15 NGC Environmental School (ZOOM) \$70

Jan. 22-23 (9 am) FFGC & District X present their 69th Annual Tropical Short Course,

"Gardening in the Future," registration Deadline is Jan. 5, 2026, Cost in \$95 both days. Print Outs available regarding speakers and floral designs. Master Gardeners get accreditation hours. Speakers are very good source for programs at GCS.

Feb. 7-8 Gardenfest, Garden Club of Indian River County, Vero Beach

Feb. 9-11 NGC Gardening School, Course 4 (Zoom)

Mar. 21, 2026 GARDEN CLUB OF STUART'S fabulous garden tour,

\$37 member

1/1/26 all pay \$40

3/21/26 \$45 day of tour.

Mar.21, 2026 – Wellington Garden Club, GardenTour \$60, \$75 day of tour (calendar continues through the summer)