New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc.



2021

Awards Book

Awards Year

January 1, 2021– December 31, 2021

New Mexico Garden Clubs Annual Convention

March 23-24, 2022

Artesia, New Mexico

Christine Longthorp, President

Nancy Hartwick Awards Chairperson

DESIGN OF THE YEAR

Award sponsored by the New Mexico Judges Council, Inc.

Debi Harrington

Petal Pushers Garden Club

MEMBER OF THE YEAR

"Member of the Year" award presented by NMGC, Inc.

2021 Member of the Year

Not Awarded

HORTICULTURIST OF THE YEAR

"Horticulturist of the Year" award presented by NMGC, Inc.

2020 Horticulturist of the Year

No Entries

MENTOR OF THE YEAR

Recipient is chosen by the NMGC President

The Mentor of the Year award is given to the member of NM Garden Clubs that has shown themselves to be a "Mentor" to others by their actions as a trusted guide and teacher to all members - conveying their experience and expertise while increasing confidence, performance and leadership abilities in other Members of NM Garden Clubs,

2020 Mentor of the Year

Suzy Andrego Uptown Garden Club

SPECIAL ACHIEVEMENT AWARD Recipient is chosen by the NMGC President. Award: Silver Medallion depicting the NMGC, Inc. Seal.

This award was begun in 1990 at the 41st State Convention. Twenty-three Silver Medallions were a gift from Dr. Thomas Todson, and were presented to members who had made special contributions to NMGC, Inc. in the past. Medallions for the continuation of this Special Achievement Award from 1991-1999 were given by June Wood. One Gold Medallion (also donated by Mrs. Wood) was presented at the 51st Anniversary Convention in the year 2000 to the member deemed to have done the most for NMGC, Inc., during the years 1991 – 2000. The winner was chosen by a committee consisting of the NMGC, Inc., President, 1st Vice President and the NMGC Inc., Awards Chairman.

This award continued from 2001 to 2010 through the generosity of Sue Graves with one Silver Medallion awarded each year to a member who has made special contributions to NMGC, Inc. This Special Achievement Award is given at the Annual Convention. The winner will be chosen by the NMGC, Inc., President. Colleen Hinker has continued the tradition of the Silver Medallion Award to 2020. Sally Warner, former, NMGC President, has generously provided for the Silver Medallion award to be continued, through the year 2030.

2020 Special Achievement Award

Not Awarded

BEGINNING DESIGNER

Not Awarded

BIRDS

1st Place Individual

Shar Marquez

El Jardin Encanto Garden Club

BUTTERFLY GARDENING IN NEW MEXICO

1st Place Individual

Shar Marquez

El Jardin Encanto Garden Club

CERTIFICATE OF COMMENDATION

NGC, Inc. Certificate for individuals who have been members of an accredited garden club for 20 or more years.

No Entries

CIVIC DEVELOPMENT

This award is for landscape projects in public areas. Such areas include: schools, civic buildings, hospitals, shopping areas, cemeteries, roadsides, historic sites, enhancement of parks, trails, small pocket gardens, street plantings, etc.

Morning Garden Club 1st Place, Class II

CLUB HISTORY

Best Club History Morning Garden Club 1st Place

Santa Rosa Garden Club 1st Place, Class I

Morning Garden Club 1st Place, Class II

Petal Pushers Garden Club 2nd Place, Class II

Sunshine Valley Garden Club 1st Place, Class III

Lincoln County Garden Club 2nd Place, Class III

Valley Gardeners Garden Club 3rd Place, Class III

FOOD GARDENING

No Entries

GARDEN THERAPY

No Entries

LITTER CONTROL AND RECYCLING Individual award only

No Entries

LONGEVITY AWARD

This award is for a Club project that has been maintained by members for over three years. This award gives recognition for the patience and dedication it takes to continue a program or project for many years.

> Morning Garden Club 1st Place, Class II

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE AWARD

The club gaining the most members.

Sunshine Valley Garden Club

1st Place Percentage new members
1st Place Most New Members
13 new members (82% Increase)

Petal Pushers Garden Club

8 new members (38% Increase)

Moriarty Garden Club 4 new members (36% Increase)

Morning Garden Club

5 new members (25% Increase)

High Desert Design Garden Club

7 new members (24% increase)

New Mexico Floral Artists

2 new members (17% Increase)

Valley Gardeners Garden Club

4 new member (12% Increase)

Flowering Desert Garden Club

1 new member (10% Increase)

Uptown Garden Club

2 new member (7% Increase)

Mesilla Valley Garden Club

1 new member (6% Increase)

PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT OF THE YEAR

Beverly Cooper

Summit Garden Club

1st Place Bird Photo

Beverly Cooper Summit Garden Club

2nd Place

Bird Photo Susan Schultz Angel Fire Garden Club

3rd Place Bird Photo Selvi Viswanathan Los Alamos Garden Club

1st Place Butterfly Photo Shar Marquez El Jardin Encanto Garden Club

2nd Place

Butterfly Photo Debi Harrington Petal Pushers Garden Club

3rd Place Butterfly Photo Selvi Viswanathan Los Alamos Garden Club

PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT OF THE YEAR – Contd.

1st Place Horticulture Specimen Photo Beverly Cooper Summit Garden Club

2nd Place Horticulture Specimen Photo Juanita Ortega Floral Designers Garden Club

3rd Place Horticulture Specimen Photo *Julie Foster Artesia Garden Club*

> 1st Place Insect Photo Selvi Viswanathan Los Alamos Garden Club

2nd Place Insect Photo Debi Harrington Petal Pushers Garden Club

> **3rd Place Insect Photo** *Margie Lappin Uptown Garden Club*

PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT OF THE YEAR – Contd.

1st Place Landscape Scene Photo Beverly Cooper Summit Garden Club

2nd Place Landscape Scene Photo Susan Schultz Angel Fire Garden Club

3rd Place Landscape Scene Photo *Debi Harrington Petal Pushers Garden Club*

1st Place Wildlife Photo Susan Schultz Angel Fire Garden Club

2nd Place Wildlife Photo Jacqui Binford-Bell Angel Fire Garden Club

3rd Place Wildlife Photo Shirley Tetreault High Desert Design Club

SCHOLARSHIP

No Entries

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

This serves as an evaluative overview for your Club's program year. Program Year is January 1^{*st*} *through December* 31^{*st*}*, annually.*

Valley Gardeners Garden Club Top Point Earner (690 Points)

Artesia Garden Club 1st Place Standard of Excellence, Class I (213 Points)

Santa Rosa Garden Club

2nd Place Standard of Excellence, Class I (210 Points)

Moriarty Garden Club 1st Place Standard of Excellence, Class II (520 Points)

Los Alamos Garden Club 2nd Place Standard of Excellence, Class II (250 Points)

Valley Gardeners Garden Club 1st Place Standard of Excellence Class III (690 points) TREES Walter B. Suhr Memorial Award

No Entries

WATER CONSERVATION Individuals only

Not Awarded

WILD FLOWERS AND NATIVE PLANTS Individuals only

Not awarded

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY AWARD

No Entries

K-9 POETRY AWARD

No Entries

Special thanks are extended to the following generous sponsors of the New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc., awards program:

Suzy Andrego Lincoln County Garden Club Nancy Hartwick (in memory of Agnes A. Kelly) Morning Garden Club (in memory of Rene McCoy) NMGC's Inc. NM Judges Council Cynthia Shafer Dodi and Bryan Suhr Summit Garden Club

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