

EXCEPTIONAL HORTICULTURIST



There is award given at your district meeting in September to a club member who has shown themselves to be an exceptional horticulturist. The Exceptional Horticulturist will have their name placed in the GCFP Book of Exceptional Horticulturists.

The qualifications for this award are as follows:

Experience - The candidate should grow a variety of plant materials such as trees, shrubs, annuals, perennials, houseplants and be able to discuss with others how to grow these plants.

Education - The candidate should be well read and aware of books, magazines, flower and garden catalogs and how to use the internet for information on horticulture. Also, the candidate should be aware of the National Garden Clubs Inc schools and programs. Hopefully the candidate has attended one or more of the schools provided by the National Garden Clubs, but this is NOT a requirement.

Sharing - The candidate should share their knowledge and experience with friends and garden club members as well as other civic and community organizations when called upon to do so. They should be able to represent the GCFP as a knowledgeable source of information.

DEADLINE: August 1 to Joanne Celaschi celaschi@hotmail.com

There is no specific form to fill out for this award, but you will need to submit a brief description (no more than 3 pages) of the type of garden that they maintain, the types of plants they grow, any accomplishments that they achieved, any programs that they presented on the subject of horticulture to their club or other clubs and/or organizations. Pictures are also encouraged.

Also, if they completed or attended any one of the NGC schools, please include that information. Submit any reason that should qualify this person for the award.

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