

# Exceptional Horticulturalist

## Qualifications:

**EXPERIENCED** - The candidate should grow numerous plant materials - trees, shrubs, annuals, perennials, houseplants, and be able to discuss intelligently about “how to grow”. Hopefully, the candidate has attended one or more of the schools provided by National Garden Clubs, Inc., but this is not a requirement.

**EDUCATION** - The candidate should be well read - books, magazines, flower and garden catalogs, the Internet, National Garden Clubs, Inc. programs and schools.

**SHARING** - The candidate should share knowledge, experience and plant materials with friends and garden club members, as well as civic organizations. The candidate should have served club, community, and county, when called upon to do so, and should be able to represent the GCFP as an intelligent dignified and knowledgeable source.

Prospective candidates should be sent to the Exceptional Horticultural Coordinator, Joanne Celaschi by August 1<sup>st</sup> of each year. Certificates are awarded at the District Annual Meetings. Exceptional Horticulturalists certificates shall be presented with a printed card indicating that their name has been placed in the GCFP Book of Exceptional Horticulturalists, and on the GCFP website. [www.pagardenclubs.org](http://www.pagardenclubs.org).