

New Mexico Garden Clubs, Inc.



2022

Awards Book

Awards Year

January 1, 2022– December 31, 2022

New Mexico Garden Clubs Annual Convention

April 11 & 12, 2023

Albuquerque, New Mexico

Christine Longthorp, President

Debra Sorrell, Awards Chair

2022 DESIGN OF THE YEAR

Award sponsored by the New Mexico Judges Council, Inc.

Kristen Thompson

High Desert Design Club

MEMBER OF THE YEAR

“Member of the Year” award presented by NMGC, Inc.

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Angel Fire Garden Club

HORTICULTURIST OF THE YEAR

“Horticulturist of the Year” award presented by NMGC, Inc.

Kristen Thompson

High Desert Design Club

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,

2022 Mentor of the Year

Not Awarded

BEGINNING DESIGNER

Laurie Hixson

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.

2022 Special Achievement Award

*Debi Harrington
Petal Pushers Garden Club*

MERITORIOUS ACHIEVEMENT AWARD

Mary Ann Moreno

Presented by NMGC Judges Council

MEMBER OF DISTICTION CITATION

Mary Ann Moreno

Presented by Uptown Garden Club

BIRDS

No entries

BUTTERFLY GARDENING IN NEW MEXICO

No entries

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.

No entries

CLUB HISTORY AWARD

Best Club History

Morning Garden Club

Santa Rosa Garden Club

1st Place, Class I

Morning Garden Club

1st Place, Class II

Los Alamos Garden Club

2nd Place, Class II

Sunshine Valley Garden Club

3rd Place, Class II

Petal Pushers Garden Club

Honorable Mention, Class II

Valley Gardeners Garden Club

1st Place, Class III

Lincoln County Garden Club

2nd Place, Class III

Angel Fire Garden Club

1st Place, Class IV

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.

Angel Fire Garden Club

Vietnam Veterans Memorial and Blue Star Memorial

22 Years

MEMBERSHIP INCREASE AWARD

The club gaining the most members.

Sunshine Valley Garden Club

82% Increase

New Mexico Floral Artists

17% Increase

Los Alamos Garden Club

4% Increase

Valley Gardeners Garden Club

3% Increase

PHOTOGRAPHIC PRINT OF THE YEAR

Beverly Cooper
Summit Garden Club

BIRD

1st Place

Beverly Cooper
Summit Garden Club

2nd Place

Anna Reese

Moriarty
Garden Club

3rd Place

Susan Schultz
Angel Fire Garden Club

BUTTERFLY

1st Place

Debi Harrington
Petal Pushers Garden Club

2nd Place

Debra Sorrell
Uptown Garden Club

3rd Place

Judith Hoffman
Summit Garden Club

HORTICULTURE

1st Place

Johnese Turri
Angel Fire Garden Club

2nd Place

Susan Schultz
Angel Fire Garden Club

3rd Place

Michael Turri
Angel Fire Garden Club

INSECT

1st Place

Anna Reese
Moriarty Garden Club

2nd Place

Susan Schultz
Angel Fire Garden Club

3rd Place

Michael Turri
Angel Fire Garden Club.

LANDSCAPE

1st Place

Sonia James

High Desert Design Club

2nd Place

Anna Reese

Moriarty Garden Club

3rd Place

Beverly Cooper

Summit Garden Club

WILDLIFE

1st Place

Beverly Cooper

Summit Garden Club

2nd Place

Anna Reese

Moriarty Garden Club

3rd Place

Debi Harrington

Petal Pushers Garden Club

SCHOLARSHIP

Mireya J Ferran

New Mexico State University

STANDARD OF EXCELLENCE

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

High Desert Design Club
Top Point Earner (985 Points)

Class I

Artesia Garden Club
1st Place Standard of Excellence
(245 points)

Class II

High Desert Design Club
1st Place Standard of Excellence
(985 points)

Morning Garden Club
2nd Place Standard of Excellence
(389 points)

Los Alamos Garden Club
3rd Place Standard of Excellence
(380 points)

Petal Pushers Garden Club
3rd Place Standard of Excellence
(335 points)

Class III

High Desert Design Club
1st Place Standard of Excellence
(985 points)

TREES

Walter B. Suhr Memorial Award

1ST Place

Angel Fire Garden Club

2nd Place

Morning Garden Club

3rd Place

Lincoln County Garden Club

WATER CONSERVATION

Individuals only

No entries

WILDFLOWERS AND NATIVE PLANTS

Individuals only

No entries

YOUTH ACTIVITIES

HIGH SCHOOL ESSAY AWARD

No Entries

K-9 POETRY AWARD

No Entries

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