**AWARDS DIRECTORY**

**AWARD INFORMATION**

**Eligibility**

Montana Federation of Garden Clubs dues paying members are eligible to apply for MFGC, RMR, and /or NGC awards and contests unless otherwise stated.  Members, garden clubs, study groups or groups of clubs must be in good standing in MFGC to apply.  Junior, intermediate, high school clubs and individual youth must be a member of a federated garden club to be eligible for specific awards or contests.  Member clubs or individuals may make application for each award and category, if qualified.

**Application**

A blank application form is attached.  One that may be filled in on your computer is on the MFGC website, [www.mtfgc.org](http://www.mtfgc.org).  Awards can be submitted electronically or by hardcopy.  Electronic entries and/or articles and publications are accepted but they must be in PDF or Word format.  A list of all Awards being applied for must be included.

**Deadlines**

All applications and supporting evidence are to be in the possession of the specific chairman on the date listed on page 31.

**Membership Basis**

A: 0-18 members; B. 19-28 members and C. 29+ members.

**Awards if merited**

Each membership category will be awarded unless otherwise stated.

**Awards Year**

A.   National:  January 1 to December 31 annually.  This applies to all projects submitted with application form except where otherwise indicated in the NGC awards description.

B.    Regional:  September 1 to August 1 annually

C.    State:  June 1 to May 31 annually

**Presentation**

Application form is limited to 3 printed pages.  Use front of pages ONLY.   (No report covers/binders).    Scrapbooks, Press Books, and Flower Show Achievement Awards are exceptions to the 3-page, one side rule.  All material presented for a National Award must comply with the Award Rules as stated in the NGC Award Section of that website, [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org). Application forms are available on their website.

Application forms are available on the MFGC website at:  <http://www.mtfgc.org>.  Applications for RMR are available at <https://sites.google.com/site/rockymtngardenclubs/services> for awards.

**Judging Procedures**

A.    Flower Show Applications and Flower Show Schedules will be judged by a committee of at least three members, including one accredited Flower Show Judge.

B.    The Yearbook Chair will appoint a committee of two to assist in judging.

Traveling Trophies

A.   The Garden Club Member of the year Tiara and Ribbon are to be returned to the State Awards Chair by May 1st.

B.    Any other traveling trophy must be returned at convention to the award chair.

# AWARD DUE DATES

**AWARD SPONSORS - please send money to MFGC Treasurer, Glenna Waltee,**

**P O Box 662, Whitehall, MT 59759**

**BY SEPTEMBER 1**

 Date Due Type of Award Contest and Chair

Nov 1 NGC Award of Excellence, listed separately on NGC website, Award SR2

Send to Diane Ward, 916 Whitetail Rd., Whitehall, MT 59759

Dec 1 All National Awards (except NGC Flower Show Awards) send to:

Jeannie Bennett, 5950 LeBeau Dr., Missoula, MT 59808

Dec 1 NGC Standard Flower Show Awards:

Send to Susan Andrews, 2429 Bridger Hills Dr., Bozeman, MT 59715-7654

Jan 1 NGC Member Award of Honor, SR4,

Send to Jeannie Bennett, 5950 LeBeau Dr., Missoula, MT  59808

Jan 1 Smokey Bear/Woodsy Owl Poster Contest

Send to Jennifer Strzelczyk, P. O. Box 1254, Malta, MT 59538-1254

Apr 15 MFGC Standard Flower Show Awards:

Send to Susan Andrews, 2429 Bridger Hills Dr., Bozeman, MT 59715-7654

Apr 15 MFGC State Awards, Sections A, B, C, D,

send to Cindy Carlton, 125 Rocky Creek Rd., Bozeman, MT  59715

E Awards

Send to Susan Andrews, 2429 Bridger Hills Dr., Bozeman, MT 59715-7654

Apr 15 MFGC State Award B 10, Cathy Atkinson Creative Design Award

Send to Vicky Barbieri, 504 Howie Road, Big Timber, MT 59011-7835

Apr 15 Photography award, C-10

Send to Donna Dowell, 6045 Meininger Dr., Missoula, Mt. 59808-3910.

July 1 NGC Vision of Beauty Calendar Photos

Send to – Nancy Voyles, 2926 Hwy 75, Parkin, AR 72373-9058.

July 1 Rocky Mountain Region Awards

Send to Cindy Carlton, 125 Rocky Creek Rd., Bozeman, MT  59715

Rocky Mountain Award Chair – to be announced

**Topical Information for MFGC awards.**

An award may fit into additional topics.  They are listed with their primary award criteria topic. This is intended to be helpful, not restrictive.

APPRECIATION AND RECOGNITION

C-1 Award of Appreciation

B-5 Kerin McCarver Special Award

B-7 MFGC State Chair Leadership Award

B-8 Circle of Green Thumbs Award

C-4 Garden Club Member of the Year

C-9 Award of Excellence

BIRDS, POLLINATORS, WILDFLOWERS, NATIVE PLANTS

A-8 President’s Wildflower and Native Plants Award.

B-3 Dearborn Garden Club Bird Protection and Welfare Award

B-11 Esther Hamel Butterfly Garden Award

C-5 Bird Scrapbook Award

COMMUNICATION and PHOTOGRAPHY

A-5 President’s Communication Award

A-12 President’s Club Scrapbook Award

C-3 Best Club Yearbook Award

C-7 Multimedia Award

C-10 Photography Contest Award

COMMUNITY BEAUTIFICATION

A-1 President’s Award for Community Beautification

B-2 Rainbow Garden Club Civic Beautification Award

B-6  President’s Living Legacy Award

B-13 Anaconda Garden Club Award

C-6 Landscape Design Award

ENVIRONMENT AND CONSERVATION

A-2 President’s Award for Environmental Concerns

A-3 President’s Award for Conservation, Preservation, Education

A-13 Mary J Olson TREES, a Renewable Resource Award

FLOWER DESIGN, ART, AND FLOWER SHOWS

A-16 Darlene Skari Public Workshop Award

B-9 Cathy Atkinson Creative Design Award

B-10 Flower Show Education Award

B-12 Mary Lee Award

C-3 Floral Design Award

E-1 through E-9 Montana Flower Show Awards

E10 through E-20 NGC Flower Show Awards

HORTICULTURE and GARDENS

A-6 President’s Horticultural Therapy Award

A-11 Marie Jones Container Gardening Award

A-15 Mary Davis Patriotic Garden Award

A-17 Norm DeNeal Gardener of the Year Award

A-18 Denise Fink Past to Future Award

A-19 Sherry Corneliusen Dahlia/Gladiolus Award

A-20 Linda and James Sadler Special Rose Award

B-1 Mae Burke Magill Award

C-2 Horticulture Award

MEMBERSHIP

A-7 President’s Membership Award

B-4 MFGC New Members Award

C-11 Life Members Award

YOUTH FOCUSED

A-9 President's Youth Activities Award

A-14 Rose Kopp Special Children Award

D-1 Youth Club Sponsorship Award

D-2 Youth Gardening Award

D-3 Youth Bird/Pollinator Award

D-4 Youth Participation Award

2023-2025 MFGC State Award Descriptions

The Awards are divided into five categories: Commemorative, Individual, State, Youth and Flower Show.  When indicated club awards will be divided into:

 A. 0-18 members; B. 19-28 members and C. 29+ members.

**A.  Awards:**  These awards are given by, or in honor of, Montana Federation of Garden Clubs’ previous presidents.  All applications shall be sent to the State Awards Chair by April 15 if not directed otherwise.

If an award to honor past presidents is not funded a certificate will be given as a commemorative award.

A-1 President’s Awards for Community Beautification:  Certificate and $15 awarded to a club for the most outstanding community beautification project in a city, town, or neighborhood. May be a continuing project or special one-time project.  Must include before and after pictures.  This award is in honor of Grace Blend, Geneva Collins, Evelyn Mooney, Betty Shryock, Mabel Steele, Hilma White, and Charlotte Straub.  Sponsored by Great Falls Flower Growers Garden Club.

A-2 President’s Award for Environmental Concerns.  Certificate and $15 awarded to a club for roadside beautification on any highway, secondary road or approach to town, or, a club project on litter prevention, reclamation, and/or recycling which may include a year-long program, organizing a recycling program, or establishing a community composting site, o presenting an environmental education symposium or workshop open to the public.  This award is in honor of Bess Sterling, Vivian Stuart and Florence Baldwin sponsored by Jane Ereaux (Awarded if merited to each Club Size A, B, C)

A-3 President’s Award for Conservation, Preservation and Education.  Certificate and $25 Awarded to a club for preservation or restoration of a historical site, or, for outstanding conservation activities, e.g., education or legislative activity; conservation field project; natural resource stewardship and protection, such as a watershed wetland, erosion control, reforestation, wildlife refuge, or presentation of several educational conservation programs by a club.  This award is in honor of Lillian Swan, Jean Thomas and Phyllis White.  Sponsored by Phyllis White.

A-5 President’s Communication Award (replaced A-15)

I.  Certificate and $20 to a garden club member for an article which is published in a newspaper, periodical, etc. on horticulture or related topics of value to gardeners.  This award is in honor of Alice Hamilton.  Sponsored by Thumb R Green and Sow and Grow Garden Clubs.

            II.  Certificate and $10 awarded for a publicity press book exhibiting quality, quantity, and diversity of coverage in print and electronic media promoting the club and NGC goals and objectives.  This award is in honor of Mae Brennan Habets and is sponsored by Joyce Backa. (Awarded if merited to each Club Size A, B, C)

A-6 President’s Horticulture Therapy Award.  Certificate and $50 to the club which produces the best evidence of Horticulture (sunshine) Therapy, which is horticultural work in hospitals, rest homes, or similar facilities.  This award is in honor of Esther Hamel and Blanche Burns.  Sponsored by Esther Hamel.  (Awarded if merited to each Club Size A, B, C)

A-7 President’s Membership Award.  Certificate and $25 to the one club showing the largest PERCENTAGE increase in membership.  The winner is determined by the State Treasurer based on the record of the current year’s dues.  (No application required).  This award is in honor of Junne Johnsrud.  Sponsored by Jeannie Bennett.

A-8 President’s Wildflower and Native Plants Award.

I.  Certificate and $15 awarded to an individual member for distinguished accomplishment growing at least six wildflowers in their own garden.  Include close up pictures with the botanical and common names for the wildflowers photographed and the location in Montana where the plants are growing.  Pictures taken must not be over two years old, as of awards deadline, or have been used in a previous award application.  This award is in honor of Lillian Westin and Ceri Breen.  Sponsored by Linda Westin Haugen.

            II.  Certificate and $25 awarded to an individual member for photos or digital representation of at least six Montana wildflowers or native plants taken at public sites, such as U.S. Forest Service or Bureau of Land Management lands. Photos or digital photos must have the scientific and common names, date and location in Montana where the pictures were taken.  Pictures must have been taken in the past two years, as of awards deadline, and may not have been used in a previous award application.  This award is in honor of Ruby Benjamin.  Sponsored by the Gallatin Empire Garden Club.

A-9 President’s Youth Activities Award

I.  Certificate and $20 to the club organizing a new junior, intermediate, or high school garden club which is registered with the Montana Federation of Garden Clubs.  No application is required.  This award is in honor of Dorothy Lechner.  Sponsored by Glenna Waltee.  (Awarded if merited to each Club Size A, B, C)

            II.  Certificate and $10 to the club with the best promotion of gardening among youth (school gardens, Scouts, etc.) based on the belief that youth should be educated to become future horticulturists.  This award is in honor of Margaret Yaw, sponsored by her family.

A-11 Marie Jones Container Gardening Award

I.  A certificate and $25 to a club or member of a garden club for planting a container of flowers or vegetables outside.  A picture of the planted container with a list of the botanical and common names of the plants should be included.

            II.  A certificate and $25 to a club for planting a container of flowers on a street, or in a park, nursing home, church yard, etc.  A picture of the planted container with a list of the botanical and common names of the plants should be included.

A-12 President’s Club Scrapbook Award.  A certificate and $25 awarded for possible projects that include beautification, flowerbeds, Garden Week activities, club meetings and special (Christmas or District) meetings, flower shows, symposium and/or convention.

            a.  Accumulate up to two years prior to award deadline.

            b.  Judged on neatness of contents; club projects shown by photos, newspaper articles, personal letters, thank-you notes; at least one group photo (with club member’s names and high percentage of membership shown).  Cover-plain (not ornate), must have club name, dates covered and location (town) of club.  Acid free paper is recommended.  Must be more than a picture album.  This award is in honor of Elizabeth Kehmeier. Sponsored by Jane Ereaux.  (Awarded if merited to each Club Size A, B, C)

A-13 Mary J. Olsen TREES, a Renewable Resource Award.  Certificate and $25 to a garden club for:  a.  Planting the greatest number of trees.  Identify number of trees planted, species, location and use.  Planting trees as shelterbelts, windbreaks, for soil conservation and environmental enhancement.  or b.  Educational program regarding the importance of trees.  Show the activity.  Sponsored by Cynthia Carlton.

A-14 Rose Kopp Special Children Award Certificate and $25 to the club showing the most involvement with special needs children/adults using garden therapy.  Sponsored by Joyce Hendricks

A-15 Mary Davis Patriotic Garden Award Certificate and $25 to one garden club or one garden club member planting a red, white, and blue garden.  Include several pictures with descriptions, a sketch of the design plan and a financial report.

A-16 Darlene Skari Public Workshop Award Certificate and $25 awarded to one garden club for a workshop on horticulture or floral design to which the public is invited.  Include pictures, description of the workshop, information on publicity and number of members and non-members attending.

A-17 Norm DeNeal Gardener of the Year Award Certificate and $100 given to one MFGC member.  Nominees can be submitted by any club or club member.

I.  Submit with the application at least 3 photographs of the members’ garden in any medium (digital, slide, disc.); before and after photos are especially helpful.

 2. A short narrative of the garden and gardener, noting any obstacles that had to be overcome in making the garden.  Mention any items that make the garden special and unique.

3. Judging Criteria: Esthetic appeal of the garden: 70 points and Story about the garden/gardener: 30 points.

A-18 Denise Fink Past to Future Award   Certificate and $20 for a garden with an old-fashioned theme, such as an herb knot garden, victory garden, heirloom vegetable garden, or a garden with a modern theme such as a roof garden, vertical garden, or growing in an unusual container.  At least three pictures with descriptions of plants and containers used must be submitted with the applications.

A-19 Sherry Corneliusen Dahlia/Gladiolus Award   Certificate and $25 to ONE garden club or ONE garden club member planting dahlias and/or gladiolus in a container or garden.  Include several pictures with descriptions, a sketch of the design plan and a financial report.

A-20 Linda and James Sadler Rose Award   Certificate and $25 to ONE garden club or ONE garden club member planting Roses in a container or garden.  Include several pictures with descriptions, a sketch or the design plan, and a financial report.

**B.  Awards:**  These awards are given by an individual, club or organization.  All applications shall be sent to the State Awards Chair.

B-1 Mae Burke Magill Award.  Certificate and $20 will be given to a club whose members toured a garden or organized a garden tour.  Please include photos.  Sponsored by the Gallatin Empire Garden Club.

B-2 Rainbow Garden Club Civic Beautification Award.  A certificate and $50 awarded to a MFGC member club of 20 members or less for a civic beautification project.  Application must include before and after pictures. .

 B-3 Dearborn Garden Club Bird Protection and Welfare Award.  Certificate and $20 to any Garden Club or Garden Club Member who provides nesting boxes, food sources, plants and/or feeding stations, and a water source in their plating project or yard.

a.     Documentation and identification of bird species nesting in boxes.

b.     Number of nesting’s in a season.

c.     Pictures of birds feeding, using water source and nesting.  All birds should be identified.

B-4 MFGC New Members Award.  Certificate and $25 given to the club that adds the most, new members during the year.  No application required.  The winner is determined by the State Treasurer based on the record of the current year’s dues.

B-5 Kerin McCarver Special Award certificate and $15 given to the club with outstanding work that is not covered in any other award.

B-6 President’s Living Legacy Award   Certificate and $25 to a club which plants a tree (at least four feet tall) or a native shrub in a public park or near a public building where it will be visible and add to the overall beauty of any existing landscaping; or to a club which installs a new garden with annuals and perennials in a public area.  Before and after pictures and a bill of sale for the plants must be included.  This award is in honor of GG Hahn. Sponsored by R&E Hahn Trust Ranch, Patricia Schlaeger.

B-7 MFGC State Chair Leadership Award Certificate and trophy awarded to one state chair demonstrating initiative and inspiring the membership by providing resources, outstanding support, leadership, and educational programming.  Nominations are to be submitted by any Federation member and to include a description of the chair’s achievement and service to MFGC.  Sponsor reserves the right to review the applications.  Sponsored by Phyllis White.

B-8 Circle of Green Thumbs Award Certificate to a member of each Federated club who has demonstrated outstanding gardening work within their club/community.  Each garden club may choose a member to be honored at the state convention in June.  Submit the name and a brief statement identifying why the club member was chosen.  No book of evidence required.  Submit to Awards Chair and State president by the due date.

B-9 Cathy Atkinson Creative Design Award Certificate and $25 for the best judged creative design exhibited after April 1st each year at a flower show.  Application is to include a color photo (4” X 6” minimum but not larger than 8”X 10”) Entry must include the title of design, location and date of flower show.  A list of all plant material and other components must be included in the Book of Evidence.  Send Book of Evidence to Vicky Barbieri: 504 Howie Road, Big Timber, MT 59011-7835.

Award sponsored by Judges Council.

B-10 Flower Show Education Award

I.               Certificate and $25 to one club having the highest PERCENTAGE of judges and/or student judges (excluding emeritus judges).  Club should provide a list of judges and total paid membership number.  This award is in honor of Florence Baker and is sponsored by the Judges Council.

II.             Certificate and $25 to one club or an individual having most advanced the work of Flower Show in Montana.  A Book of Evidence listing the achievements of the club or individual is required.  This award is in honor of Shirley Spildie and is sponsored by Judges Council

 B-11 Esther Hamel Butterfly Garden Award.  In the memory of her son, Dennis Hamel, an entomologist.

            Before and after pictures are required.  A certificate and $50 awarded to the club that has the most comprehensive and effective project in each of the categories below:

            I.      Club that creates a Butterfly Habitat Garden.  Include choosing a sunny location; sheltering the garden from wind; adding rocks; damp sand, gravel or mud puddle; a diversity of plants and flower; and other butterfly essentials!

            II.  Club that creates a Container Butterfly Garden at a school, adult living center, hospital or other facility.  Use a sturdy container and plant butterfly attracting plants and flowers including larval and nectar types.

            III. Club member or club who develops a Certified Monarch Way-Station.  The garden may be any size, but the optimum is 100 sq. feet.  Plant 10 or more milkweed plants and four or more nectar plants.  Maintain the garden and complete the certification process.  Include a copy of the certificate. ([www.monarchwatch.org](http://www.monarchwatch.org) and [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org))

            IV. Club member or club who conducts a public educational presentation on butterflies.

V.  Club which supervises a junior club in creating a butterfly habitat garden using criteria identified in category I.

B-12 Mary Lee Award Certificate and $25 awarded to an individual for artistic expression of flowers such as a painting, quilt, or handmade flower.  Sponsored by Whitehall Garden Club.

B-13 Anaconda Garden Club Award Certificate and $50 awarded annually to one club that submits the best report on a “community beautification” project.

**C  Awards:** State Awards given by the Montana Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

These awards are funded by the Montana Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc. and all applications shall be sent to the State Awards Chair.

C-1 Award of Appreciation Certificate and $25 for outstanding work on behalf of MFGC to further their objectives and projects throughout the club year, or for a project not provided in another award.

C-2 Horticulture Award.  Certificate and $25 to a club for contribution to the advancement of gardening and horticulture in Montana

            I.      For promotion of gardening/horticulture through radio or TV; or

            II.  For the best horticulture report

C-3 Floral Design Award.  Certificate and $25 to a club for presenting outstanding programs on floral design during club meetings.

C-4  Garden Club Member of the Year  A tiara or appropriate substitution to become a traveling trophy:  a. is an active club member at the local and state level (30 points); b. demonstrates an interest in floral arts (25 points); c. demonstrates an interest in horticulture (25 points) and d. promotes garden club projects for community betterment (20 points)  Special note:  Applicant’s name must not appear on the application or anywhere in the letter of evidence.  The name is to be placed in a sealed envelope and attached to the letter of evidence with a paper clip.

C-5 Bird Scrapbook Award.  Certificate and $25 to a club for the best Bird Scrapbook

**Scale of Points:**

                        Cover-practical, durable, artistic                                 5 pts.

                        Size of book, not more than 13’ X 15”                       5 pts.

                        Index –orderly arrangement of content                       5 pts.

                        Title page-name of club, locations, number of

                                    Members, dates to and from                           15 pts.

                        Articles or essays by members                                   10 pts.

                        Clippings no older than 1 year: must contain the

                                   Date and name of publication                         20 pts.

                        Pictures or drawings correctly labeled                       20 pts.

                        Educational Value: list birds seen and/or

                                    Calendar including programs                           20 pts.

                                                                                                            100 pts.

C-6 Landscape Design Award.  Certificate and $25 awarded for a significant contribution in providing planning and planting for: commercial property, church or synagogue, hospital, library, civic center, park, waterfront, etc.  A copy of the landscape plan must be included with the application.

C-7 Multimedia Award.  Certificate and $25 to a club that uses any of the following to promote their club: multimedia in club meetings, radio/pod casts, television, blog, website, face book page, and/or creates videos or CD/DVDs.

C-8 Best Club Yearbook Award.  Certificate and $25 awarded on these membership categories:   I.       0-18 members     II.    19-28 members   III.   29+ members

**Yearbooks are to be sent to Awards Chair by April 15.**

**Scale of Points for Yearbook Awards:**

FORMAT

● Book Structure 2 points: Practical, durable, neat. Yearbooks may be stapled, spiral, or 3-ring binder. Material should be well-placed with ample margins and font size suitable for members to read.

● Cover 2 points: Include name of organization, state, year, and appealing design. If 3-ring binder is used, substitute with paper cover and include required information listed above, and so note.

● Title Page 3 points: Include name of organization, number of members, affiliation including NGC, region, state, other.

● Table of Contents 3 points: Number the yearbook pages and list topics with respective page numbers.

● Subsequent pages: In any order most useful and best fit for page placement.

Organizational Information 10 points: List Officers and Committee Chairmen (club affiliations optional).

National and Regional Information 10 points: List name of NGC President, Region Director, and State President. List website of NGC, Region, and State.

Calendar of Events 10 points: Include list of national, regional, and state conventions, schools, and special events.

Policies and Objectives 10 points: Include policies and objectives of organization. (bylaws, history are optional)

Member Information 10 points: Include membership roster with complete addresses, e-mail, telephone numbers. (Status, refresher dates, club affiliations optional).

Projects 20 points: List projects as continuing or new, including name of chairman, location, and description of project, sponsored courses, donations.

Meetings/Programs 20 points: List meetings, include date, time and place of meeting. Give title of program, speaker with brief qualifications. Describe program as workshop, tour, panel, etc.

Options: No points given Mission Statement; Former presidents

C-9 Award of Excellence.  Framed certificate or plaque with MFGC name and logo.   This is the highest award of recognition presented to a non-member of MFGC Inc. who is nominated by an individual garden club.  It may be awarded to an individual, organization, or institution that has made a significant contribution toward the advancement of the goals and purposes of MFGC, Inc.  The goals and objectives are to provide education, resources and networking opportunities for its members and Montana youth, to promote the love of gardening, floral design, civic and environmental responsibility. All clubs are eligible to submit an award nomination.  If your nominee does not win you should create a local certificate of appreciation for them to present at a club meeting.

C-10 Photography Contest Award.  Certificate and $25 for up to ten photos sent for any of the following: yard and garden beautification, entrance gates and doorways, projects to beautify your community, hanging baskets and stands, trees and shrubs, vegetable gardens and drying flowers.  Include a description of photos.  Photos may be digital, matte, or glossy.  Intended to stimulate garden/gardening interest, photographic ability, and NGC objectives.  All exhibits should relate to horticulture, gardening, or floral design.  May be 3-5 pages, one side only.  Send to Donna Dowell, 6045 Meininger Dr., Missoula, MT 59808-3910.

C-11 Life Members Award.  Certificate and $25 to the club showing the largest percent increase of MFGC Life Members in their club year over the year.  The winner is determined from the membership list sent to the State Treasurer and based on dues year.  Life Members are to be identified on that list.

**D.  Youth Awards:**  All applications to be sent to the State Awards Chair.

D-1 Youth Club Sponsorship Award.  Certificate and $25 to the adult Garden Club which contributed the most outstanding service toward promoting gardening among youth.  Award sponsored by MFGC, Inc.

D-2 Youth Gardening Award.  Certificate and $25 for a new or continuing community project planted and maintained by a youth garden club.  Award must include pictures of the project, number of youths participating, and information on the involvement of the adult leaders.  Sponsored by the Chester Garden Club.

D-3 Youth Bird/Pollinator Award.  Certificate and $50 awarded to the Youth Club that has completed one of the projects listed below:  Sponsored by the Esther Hamel family.

           I.      A written report on birds or pollinators presented to the club.

            II.  Conducting an effective program for bird protection or increase of pollinator     habitat.

            III. A project to build bird houses, bird feeders, bee and/or insect houses or other similar projects.

D-4 Youth Participation Award.  Certificate and $25 awarded to a Youth Club/Clubs participating in a Standard Flower Show sponsored by an adult club.  State the age of the youth on all applications. Sponsored by Judges Council.

Note: categories for Youth Awards are:     I.      Pre-school through age seven

                                                                   II.   Ages eight through twelve

                                                                   III.  Ages thirteen through eighteen

**E.  Flower Show Awards**.  All applications shall be sent to Susan Andrews, 2429 Bridger Hills Dr., Bozeman, MT  59715-7654 or email [sugar30@latmt.com](mailto:sugar30@latmt.com).

I   Montana Flower Show Awards MFGC will award, if merited, a Certificate and $25 for 1st Place and a Certificate for 2nd Place in each of the Achievement Awards listed below, in each membership category (A, B, C).  If only applying to Montana recognition book of evidence is limited to 6.pages. This category is created to recognize the many flower shows in Montana held in fairs, meetings, and somewhat casual locations without being NGC standard.   All Awards sponsored by Judges Council.

E-1       Club(s) Flower Show

E-2       Patriotic Flower Show

E-3       Holiday Flower Show

E-4       Petite Flower Show of Miniature and/or Small Exhibits

E-5       Horticulture Specialty Flower Show

E-6       Design Specialty Flower Show

E-9       Flower Show Schedule Award.

**2. NGC awards**, MFGC First place winners for these categories will be forwarded to the national competition.  If applying for a MFGC award only, the book of evidence may be up to six pages.  All Awards sponsored by Judges Council. Certificate and $25 for the best schedule as determined by schedules Chair and Committee, judged according to the NGC Scale of Points for Evaluating Standard Flower Show Schedules, Form 29H-07(w).  Refer to the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017.

E-10   Club Standard Flower Show

E 11    Patriotic Standard Flower Show

E-12   Holiday Standard Flower Show

E-13   Petite Standard Flower Show of Miniature and/or Small Exhibits

E-14   District Standard Flower Show

E-15   Plant Society Standard Flower Show

E-16   Near Club Standard Flower Show

E-17   Horticulture Specialty Flower Show

E-18   Design Specialty Flower Show

E-19  Flower Show Schedule Award.

 Certificate and $25 for the best schedule as determined by schedules Chair and Committee, judged according to the NGC Scale of Points for Evaluating Standard Flower Show Schedules, Form 29H-07(w).  Refer to the NGC Handbook for Flower Shows, 2017.

**2023-2025   Award Application**

**Montana Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.**

Award #:  \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Award Title:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Name of Club: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ City:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Submitted by: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Number of Official Members: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_      Date: \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Phone\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

Award Nominee:

(Enter name of winning person or group as certificate/check should be written)

**Mail to:**  Cindy Carlton, Chair   ,125 Rocky Creek Road,   Bozeman, MT 59715

**Or email your application to:**  [cdcarlton@hotmail.com](mailto:cdcarlton@hotmail.com) 406-581-9305

Form is limited to 3 printed pages.  Use front of pages ONLY.  (NO report cover/binders).

Please complete each topic below, if applicable.  Use numbering as below when completing form.

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1. New Project:  Yes \_\_No \_\_Beginning Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_ Completion Date:\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_

2.   Summary and objectives of project:

3.   Involvement of club members, other organizations, etc.:

4.   Project expenses and means of funding:

5.   Continuing involvement, follow-up, maintenance:

6.   Attach or insert photos, digital photos, and/or landscape plan (does not need to be professionally drawn)

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