1. Elizabeth McCaffrey Arbor Day Award

Gentian Garden Club wins for their planting of a bush at the Scituate Animal Shelter. Club members also cleaned and weeded the garden.

- **2. Bird award** is awarded to **Barrington Garden Club** for their outstanding programs on a birds. They had wonderfully varied and interesting programs, which includes bird walks and cleanups.
- 6. Kathryn Sheehan Award this award is given to a club that has shown progress in an established program of civic beautification. Western Cranston Garden Club wins this award for their work rejuvenating the gardens at the entrance to the Central Library in Cranston which had fallen into disrepair.

11. Maryellen Blount Award for Garden

<u>Therapy</u> is awarded to <u>Gentian Garden Club</u> for making floral arrangement for various nursing homes and therefore spreading some joy during these hard times.

12. Frances M. Poitier Membership

<u>Award</u> is awarded to **Sogkonate Garden Club**.

13. Comprehensive Horticultural

<u>Program Award</u> Sogkonate Garden Club has won this award for their program on ferns creating native habitats. It is an excellent program of sustainable gardening and use of native and not so common ferns.

14. Comprehensive Horticulture Award

has been awarded to **Sogkonate Garden Club** for their outstanding comprehensive programs throughout the year. This included Zoom presentations, youth seedling program, guided tour and community projects.

16. Youth Achievement Award goes to

Gentian Garden Club for their innovative program by way of virtual and Zoom meetings with the children each month.

19. Edith Fricker Programs of the Year Award

Four clubs are the recipients of the Edith Fricker award for their well-rounded programs:

Class 2 Hameho Garden Club

Class 3 Gentian Garden Club

Class 5 Edgewood Garden Club

Class 6 Barrington Garden Club

- **20. Yearbook Awards** for their outstanding yearbooks, we honor the following garden clubs. In their respective categories, the winners are:
- Class 2 Hameho Garden Club
- Class 3 Gentian Garden Club
- Class 4 Western Cranston Garden Club
- Class 5 Edgewood Garden Club
- Class 6 Barrington Garden Club

21. Carolyn B. Haffenreffer Award

Edgewood Garden Club receives this prestigious award for their wide variety of programs, activities, demonstrations and many community projects.

- **22.** The Sylvia Street Award this award is given to Candace Morgenstern of both the Tiverton and Newport Garden Clubs for her creative multirhythmic design using yarn and plant material.
- **23.** The Joan F. Pesola Award is awarded to Rebecca Burke of Barrington Garden Club. She created a traditional mass design with a multitude of colors, textures and forms.

24. RI Federation Project of Merit Award

is awarded to **Plum Beach Garden Club** for their "Never Forget Garden"planted in Wickford to commemorate the centennial of the Tomb of the Unknown Soldier. It is a living tribute to veterans.

27. Newsletter Award Newsletters are a wonderful way for clubs to keep members updated on National, Regional, RIFG and club activities. The winners are:

Class 2 Hameho Garden Club

Class 3 Gentian Garden Club

Class 4 Western Cranston Garden Club

Class 6 Barrington Garden Club

- **29.** Website Award is awarded to Edgewood Garden Club for their beautiful, professional, extremely informative and easy to navigate website.
- **30.** Decoration of a Historic Building has been awarded to Barrington Garden Club for beautifully decorating Blithewold Mansion with the theme "Life by the Bay". Barrington also decorates some town buildings for the holiday season.
- 31. Life Member Award is awarded to Western Cranston Garden Club.

Member of Honor Award RIFGC is proud to Honor Evelyn Ficorilli as its member of Honor for 2021. Evelyn also won the New England Regional Award and her application will go to the National Garden Club. Evelyn was nominated by Western Cranston Garden Club for her passion in design and involvement in all other areas of club activities throughout the years. She has been active since the club's inception.

Commendations

2022 Flower Show Chairs-

Judy Gray and Blakely Szosz

Special commendations go out to **Judy Gray** and **Blakely Szosz** for their generous contribution of time, talent, organization and creativity to the execution of the 2022 RI Home & Garden Show.

2022 Flower Show Photographer-

Kathy Schnabel

Home Show Presenters-

Blakely Szosz & Judy Gray

Citations

RI Builders Association-John Marcantonio & Louis Cotoia

Home Show PresentersMichelle Mesinger & Neil Sanders

The awards program affords National Garden Clubs, Inc. and RIFGC an opportunity to express their appreciation and support for all clubs' projects that were completed or were in progress during the past year. By honoring our clubs, we hope to promote growth and stimulate our members to plan their programs and activities for the coming year in accordance with the objectives of our organizations. This year's Books of Evidence attest to the abilities and talent of our clubs. The Awards Committee congratulates the winners, thanks all who applied for an award this year, and encourages even more clubs to submit entries next year.

92TH Anniversary Awards Ceremony

April 28, 2022



The Rhode Island Federation of Garden Clubs, Inc.

President - Sheryl McGookin

Award Committee
Kathleen Damiani, Cheryl
Celeste, Sue Redden,
Vera Bowen, Blakely Szosz,
Sheryl McGookin

These still active clubs were among the founding members of the RIFGC:

Bristol Garden Club Jamestown Garden Club South County Garden Club