

## VFGC and NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards

**Refer to the NGC Website for complete Rules and Requirements for NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards.**

Books of Evidence for Flower Show Achievement Awards are to be sent to VFGC Flower Show Chairman no later than December 1 (Exception: Christmas shows must be received no later than December 30). Do not use a VFGC/NGC award application.

Please note the NGC awards numbers were changed in summer of 2021

### **Single Club Flower Shows**

**Letters A, B, C, D correspond to club size**

**A is fewer than 21 members (i)**

**B is 21 – 49 (ii)**

**C is 50 – 99 (iii)**

**D is 100 or more (iv)**

### **Multiple Club Shows**

**Letters A and B correspond to number of clubs**

**Sponsoring the show**

**A is one club**

**B is two or more clubs**

**Please consult the VFGC Yearbook or the NGC website ([www.gardenclubs.org](http://www.gardenclubs.org)) for descriptions of these awards.**

<b>Club Standard Flower Show, V-FS-1 (A,B,C,D)</b>	<b>NGC # FS-1A, B, C or D</b>
<b>Holiday Standard Flower Show, V-FS-2 (A, B)</b>	<b>NGC # FS-2A, or FS-2B</b>
<b>Patriotic Standard Flower Show, V-FS-3 (A, B)</b>	<b>NGC # FS-3A or FS-3B</b>
<b>Petite Standard Flower Show, V-FS-4 (A, B)</b>	<b>NGC # FS-4A or FS-4B</b>
<b>Club Small-Standard Flower Show, V-FS-5 (A,B,C)</b>	<b>NGC # FS5A, B or C</b>

**The Following Three Shows are for one club with fewer than 100 members:**

<b>Holiday Small-Standard Flower Show V-FS-6</b>	<b>NGC # FS-6</b>
<b>Patriotic Small-Standard Flower Show V-FS-7</b>	<b>NGC # FS-7</b>
<b>Petite Small-Standard Flower Show V-FS-8</b>	<b>NGC # FS-8</b>

### **Near-Club, Council, District or Flower Shows**

<b>Near-Club Standard Flower Show, V-FS-9</b>	<b>NGC # FS-9</b>
<b>Council Standard Flower Show, V-FS-10 (A, B)</b>	<b>NGC # FS-10A or FS-10B</b>

District Flower Show, V-FS-11 (A, B)                      NGC # FS-11A or FS-11B  
State Flower Show, V-FS-12 (A, B)                      NGC # FS-12A or FS-12B

**Youth Flower Shows**

Youth Flower Show or Youth Section of Adult Standard Flower Show  
V-FS-13 (A, B, C)    NGC # FS-13A, B or C\*

\*NGC # FS-13C is for Youth Participation in a Standard Flower Show

**Plant Society Flower Shows**

Plant Society Flower Shows, V-FS-14                      NGC # FS-15A, B or C

**Specialty Flower Shows**

NGC #FS-15 C and NGC #FS-16 C are only given in Specialty Flower Shows sponsored by Council, District, State or Regional organizations.

Horticulture Specialty Show V-FS-15 (A,B,C)                      NGC # FS-15A, B or C  
Design Specialty Show V-FS-16 (A,B,C)                      NGC # FS-16A, B or C

**Please consult your Flower Show Handbook  
Or the NGC website [www.gardenclubs.org](http://www.gardenclubs.org) for more information**

# NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards

An NGC Flower Show Achievement Award is the recognition given to an NGC member organization for its sponsorship of a superior flower show. NGC member or affiliate clubs wishing to apply for these awards must contact their State Awards Chairman or designated representative, such as State Flower Show Awards Chairman, State Evacuations Chairman, State NGC Awards Chairman, or IA Awards Chairman, for forms and procedures.

NGC Flower Show Awards are non-competitive. Books of Evidence are NOT compared to or judged against one another; like an exhibit at a Flower Show, Books of Evidence are judged on their own merits. If any Flower Show Book of Evidence scores 95 or more points, it will be honored with an NGC Show Achievement Award.

Award year is January 1 through December 31.

## A. General Procedure for Club(s)

State or IA country designated chairman **must** be notified of the clubs' or organizations' intent to apply for an NGC Flower Show Achievement Award six (6) weeks in advance allowing time for evaluating judges to be selected by an impartial state chairman or designate from the list of invited guests.

**Selection of evaluators is never made by the flower show sponsor(s).**

- 1a. Two (2) weeks prior to the show, designated state or IA country chairman sends NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Application Form and Show Data Form, along with names of the evaluating panel(s) to the show sponsoring organization.
- 1b. The sponsoring organization provides copies of the appropriate NGC Flower Show Evaluation Point Scoring Form to members of the evaluating panel(s), as well as Self addressed stamped envelopes for returning the evaluation form to the designated state or IA country chairman.
2. Letter of intent from the clubs or organizations must include the name of the sponsoring organization, address for mailings, show date(s), location and theme, and names and addresses of judges judging the show.
3. Each Flower show is eligible for only one (1) NGC Flower Show Achievement Award. Exception: An Adult NGC member club whose flower show includes a Youth Section eligible for a Youth Achievement Award may apply for an Adult Achievement Award and a Youth Achievement Award. If a club sponsors more than one (1) Standard Flower Show per calendar year, each show is eligible for an award.
4. To be eligible for a Flower Show Achievement Award, the following awards must be offered; however, more NGC Top Exhibitor Awards may be given provided requirements for each award are met. For the

Horticulture Division in Small-Standard, Standard and Horticulture Specialty Shows, the Award of Horticultural Excellence must be offered. For Standard Flower and Design Specialty Flower Shows, the Award of Design Excellence or Holiday Excellence Award must be offered. For Small-Standard Flower Shows, a section Top Exhibitor must be offered. (The Award of Design Excellence or Holiday Excellence Award is not available for Small-Standard Flower Shows.)

5. Upon completion of judging, show committee must provide the evaluating panel with show date including the number of club members or clubs involved, percentage of club/organization participation, and the number of exhibits in each Division.

6. To see if the show has qualified for Flower Show Achievement Award consideration, the show sponsors must prepare and submit a Book of Evidence, in a manner designated by the NGC Awards Committee and found on the NGC Website, with statistic, schedule, description, pictures and evidence of publicity to the state designated chairman or IA chairman before the state of IA country deadline.

7. Each state evaluated the Books of Evidence submitted. **Any and all Books of Evidence scoring 95 points or more at the state level may be submitted to the designated NGC Flower Show Achievement Awards chairman by the January 15 deadline.** This means a state or IA country may submit unlimited number of Books of Evidence for a particular Flower Show Achievement Award. As stated above, all awards are non-competitive, and this allows NGC to recognize all top quality flower shows. IA show sponsors submit their Books of Evidence to the IA Awards Chairman.

8. All Book of Evidence evaluations will be returned if the sponsoring organization provides self-addressed stamped envelope or mailer. Judges' evaluations will not be returned, but summarized with the final evaluations.

Please see the website **[www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)** for procedure to be followed by evaluating judges.

**B. Compilation of the Book of Evidence** – Information on preparing a Book of Evidence for a Flower Show Achievement Award, including format and deadlines, can be found on the NGC Website. The Book of Evidence may be submitted as a hard copy or as an electronic copy on a flash drive or a disk. The following forms must be included with the Book of Evidence.

- NGC Flower show Achievement Award application Form (fillable PDF)
- NGC Flower show Achievement Award Show Data Form (fillable PDF)

To prepare the Book of Evidence, review the following suggested guidelines used to evaluate the Book of Evidence.

- NGC Flower Show Achievement Award Checklist
- Book of Evidence Flower show Evaluation Scale of Points
- Directive for insuring Consistency in Grading of Books of Evidence

Sample Books of Evidence can be found on the NGC website.

- C. Determination of Final Score for the Flower Show** – Flower Shows must score 95 points or more at the national level in order to be recognized. The Book of Evidence counts for 25 points, with the local judges' average evaluation pro-rated for the other 75 points. The actual point system can be found on the NGC website at [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org).

### NGC FLOWER SHOW ACHIEVEMENT AWARDS SUMMARY

**KEY\*:** Besides the minimum number of exhibits required in the Horticulture and/or Design Division, each sponsoring organization must also have the following minimum number of non-Horticulture/non-Design exhibits based on the size of the sponsoring organization.

- i. One (1) educational exhibit (more educational exhibits permitted)
- ii. One (1) educational exhibit, **and** at least one (1) additional educational exhibit, Botanical Arts Division section, or Youth/Sponsored Group Section.
- iii. One (1) Educational exhibit **and** at least two (2) of any combination of additional educational exhibits, Botanical Arts Division Sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group Section.
- iv. Two (2) educational exhibits, **and** at least two (2) of any combination of additional educational exhibits, Botanical Arts Division sections, or Youth/Sponsored Group Sections.
- v. STATES:
  1. Small State (fewer than 100 member clubs): Two (2) educational exhibits, **and** at least any combination of three (3) additional education exhibits, Botanical Arts Division Sections, or Youth/Sponsored Groups Sections.
  2. Large State (100 or more member clubs): Five (5) educational exhibits, **and** at least any combination of five (5) additional education exhibits, Botanical Arts Division Sections, or Youth/Sponsored Groups Sections.

Please see the NGC website at [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org) under handbook for more information, including tables.

#### Standard Flower Show Awards Offered

Award	Rosette color	members/# clubs	Award#
Club Standard FS	Purple	Fewer than 21 members	FS-1A
		21-49	FS-1B
		50-99	FS-1C
		100 or more	FS-1D
Holiday Standard	Red & Green	1 member club	FS-2A
		2 or more clubs	FS-2B

Patriotic Standard FS	Red, White & Blue	1 member club	FS-4A
		2 or more clubs	FS-4B
Petite Standard FS	Small Yellow	1 member club	FS-5A

### Small Standard Flower Show Awards Offered

<u>Award</u>	<u>Rosette color</u>	<u>members/# clubs</u>	<u>Award#</u>
Club Small Standard	Petite Purple	Fewer than 21 members	FS-7A
		21-49	FS-7B
		50-99	FS-7C
Holiday Small Standard	Petite R & Green	1 club under 100	FS-8
Patriotic Small Standard FS	Petite R, W&B	1 club under 100	FS-10
Petite Small Standard FS		1 club under 100	FS-11

### Near-Club, Council or District Flower Shows

<u>Award</u>	<u>Rosette color</u>	<u>members/# clubs</u>	<u>Award#</u>
Near-Club Standard FS	Blue & White	2 or more clubs....	FS-13
Council Standard FS	Rose	At least 3 clubs....	FS-14A
		Judges Council	FS-14B
District Flower Show	Green	District/Region	
		15 or fewer clubs....	FS-15A
		District/Region	
State Flower Show	Gold	16 or more NGC clubs	FS-15B
		Small state, fewer than	
		100 members.....	FS-16A
		Large State. 100 or more	
		Member clubs	FS-16B

### Youth Flower Shows

<u>Award</u>	<u>Rosette color</u>	<u>members/# clubs</u>	<u>Award#</u>
Youth Show or Youth Section	Red	1 Youth Club	FS-17A
		2 or more Youth clubs	FS-17B
		Youth Participation SFS	FS-17C

### Plant Society Flower Shows

<u>Award</u>	<u>Rosette color</u>	<u>members/# clubs</u>	<u>Award#</u>
Horticulture Spec. Show	Chart. Green	1 club	FS-20A
		2 or more clubs	FS-20B
		Council, District State	FS-20C
Design Specialty	Blue & Yellow	1 club	FS-21A
		2 or more clubs	FS-21B
		Council, District, State .	FS-21C

Please check the website for more info at [www.gardenclub.org](http://www.gardenclub.org)