



## Instructions for the Conferring of the Louise Belknap Carter Book Award

### Louise Belknap Carter Book Award

This award was established in 2017 in honor of Louise Belknap Carter, twice president of the Garden Club of New Haven, longtime member of the GCA Library committee, and an avid horticulturist. The award may be presented to the best -in-show winner of the annual themed in-club bench show.

2017 Nory Babbitt

2018 Deborah Desir

2019 Sharon Bender

2020 Carol Warner

### Procedure:

#### **Description of the annual themed in-club bench show:**

Each year, prior to the printing of the club directory, the date and theme of an in-club bench show will be determined by a committee, chaired by the Awards Chair and comprised of representative chairs from the photography, horticulture, conservation, and floral design committees. The show should recognize works in various media that are brought together by a single specific theme (e.g., vibrant color, spring branches, interwoven textures, daffodils...) and celebrate the creative talents of the garden club.

The book should be selected, if possible, during the course of the season from among the published authors presenting to the club and be signed by the author to the "Recipient of the Louise Belknap Carter Book Award".

The date and theme, once determined, should be published in the directory.

**NOTE:** For 2025, the date will be **May 5** and the theme will be **Tulips**