

NEW MEMBER AWARD

The New Member Award is given to a member who has recently joined the club and who, by active participation in various club activities, has demonstrated enthusiastic appreciation of the club and is therefore an example to other new members.

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| 2006 Debbie Edwards | 2015 George Davis |
| 2007 Billie Ladd | 2016 Terry Stockman |
| 2008 Vicki Arkin | 2017 Lisa Totman |
| 2009 Cordalie Benoit | 2018 Carol Warner |
| 2010 Betsy Hartmayer | 2019 Peggy Eatherton |
| 2011 Marty Dauwalder | 2020 Celeste Suggs |
| 2012 Jeanne Ciravolo Bjorkman | 2021 Betsy Weber |
| 2013 Millie Legenhausen | 2022 Francie Irvine |
| 2014 Trish Helm | 2023 Pat Sabosik |

2024: Joanne Bailey, Terri Burditt, Jennifer Morvan, Ann Pingoud, Joanne Rees, Pat Sabosik & Jane Snaider

THE PHYLLIS MCDOWELL AWARD

This award, which was established in 2009 by the Board of Fellowship Place in honor of its founder, Phyllis McDowell, is given to a member of the Garden Club of New Haven who has displayed leadership in civic affairs over an extended period of time both within the Club and in the greater community and whose efforts have benefited the common good. The award will be given from time to time at the discretion of the Awards Committee.

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| 2009 Josephine Bush | 2016 Cordalie Benoit |
| 2010 Maria Miller | 2017 Deborah Moore |
| 2011 Carol Ross | 2019 Susan Anton |
| 2012 Anne Tyler Calabresi | 2020 Hart Caparulo |
| 2013 Billie Ladd | 2021 Francie Irvine |
| 2014 Nancy Duble | 2022 Lisa Totman |
| 2015 Jeannette Byers | 2024 Mikey Hirschhoff |

THE JOYCE HARRIS AWARD

Given in memory of Joyce Harris, a former president and beloved member, this award is given to a member of the Club who embodies the ideals and examples set by Joyce. The award will be given at the discretion of the Awards Committee to a member who has been a leader, mentor and teacher to other members and has demonstrated dedication to the values of the Club. The award was established in 2010 by Edith Wilson, daughter of former Garden Club of New Haven President, Horty Wilson, to honor the family's longtime neighbor and friend.

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| 2010 Nancy Duble | 2016 Trish Helm |
| 2011 Lucy Elliot | 2017 Pixie Elsberry |
| 2012 Bonnie Sullivan | 2018 Caren Carpenter |
| 2013 Jodie Bush | 2020 Millie Legenhausen |
| 2014 Mikey Hirschhoff | 2021 Maggie Gottschalk |
| 2015 Amy Estabrook | 2022 Susan Ehrenkranz |
| | 2023 Sharon Bender |
| | 2024 Lisa Lovejoy |

THE GCA CLUB APPRECIATION AWARD

This award is presented by a GCA member club (voted by its Executive Board) to one or more members for dedicated and sustained participation in activities within the recipient's own club.

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| 1998 Betsy Gentry | 2011 Deborah Moore |
| 2003 Ruth Martin | 2013 Darleen Zimmerman |
| 2004 Ina Jaffee | 2013 Beth Gilson |
| 2005 James Niederman | 2017 Judi Freudenburg |
| 2007 Jennifer Rook | 2021 Victoria DiSesa |
| 2010 Rosita Murphy | 2022 Caren Carpenter |
| 2023 Hart Caparulo | |

THE CAROL STANCLIFF BOWL

In 2004, Mrs. John O. Wilson gave the Carol Stancliff Bowl to our club "to be awarded at a fall meeting to a member who exhibits excellence in Horticulture." This award can be given for great enthusiasm and talent in maintaining a beautiful garden or growing an unusually challenging specimen.

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| 2005 Natalie Melbardis Ronai | 2014 Deborah Desir |
| 2006 Mrs. Vicente Caride | 2015 George Davis |
| 2007 Mrs. Henry M. Elliot | 2016 Pat Kalba |
| 2008 Joyce Harris | 2017 Susan Guagliumi |
| 2009 Jennifer Radford | 2018 Terry Stockman |
| 2010 Betsy Gentry | 2019 Marilyn Elsworth |
| 2011 Barclay Smith | 2021 Trish Helm |
| 2012 Jeanie Kashgarian | 2022 Celeste Suggs |
| 2013 Jim Niederman | 2023 Jenny Byers |

THE WATERMAN BOWL

Mrs. Frederick Waterman gave the Waterman Bowl to our Club in 1956 "to be awarded annually by a Trophy Committee appointed by the President for the most noteworthy accomplishment by a member during the year." This prestigious award is given each year to a member who has gone above and beyond a prescribed job and contributed greatly to the general well-being and furtherance of our Club.

2023 Betsy Weber

SPECIAL AWARDS

THE ROBIN DUBOIS HORTICULTURE AWARD

This award, established by Louise B. Carter in honor of her good friend, Robin DuBois, may be presented to a member of the Garden Club of New Haven for a horticulture entry of

exceptional condition that might inspire others to grow, show and share horticulture. It may be awarded for a single plant, a collection of plants, a container garden or a cut specimen, but only if there is an exhibit worthy of particular distinction.

2012 Billie Ladd

THE BELLE ROOKS CREATIVITY AWARD

This award may be offered by the Garden Club of New Haven to an exhibit that best embodies the essence of creativity. The exhibit may or may not have placed first, second or third. The exhibit may or may not have won any other award. Exhibits in all divisions are eligible for this award, including exhibits in a Special Class Division.

2012 Marty Dauwalder

THE LOUISE BELKNAP CARTER BOOK AWARD

This award was first established in 2017 in honor of Louise Carter, twice president of the club and longtime member of the GCA library committee. A book will be presented annually to the winner of the club's sweepstakes, overseen by the vicepresident of the club.

2017 Nory Babbitt

2018 Deborah Desir

2019 Sharon Bender

2020 Carol Warner

The GCA Club Horticulture Award

The GCA Club Horticulture Award is presented to a club member for outstanding service in horticulture within the recipient's club or community. The recipient of this Award receives a framed Certificate to keep and proudly display in their home.

2023 Robin Hochstrasser

The GCA Medal of Merit

The GCA Medal of Merit is awarded by a member club to one or more members for contributions of exceptional merit in the field of horticulture, conservation or civic achievement, or dedication and inspirational leadership within the area of a member's respective club. The recipient of this Award receives a framed Certificate and engraved GCA Medal, to keep and proudly display in their home.

2023 Debby Moore