

Who will you nominate ?



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All affiliated organisations are encouraged to recognise outstanding contributions or service by submitting a nomination for **The Garden Clubs of Australia 2011 Awards** to be presented at the **National Convention /Annual General Meeting** on the **11th October 2011** to be held at **Fairmont Resort, Leura NSW**.

The **AWARDS** available for **2011** are listed on the other side of this sheet together with the **NOMINATION FORM**.

The **Nomination Form** and **Resume of candidate** is to be mailed to:

GCA Annual Awards
Mrs M. Watts
42 Spencer Rd
KILLARA 2071 NSW

Deadline for receipt of the nomination form is **6th July 2011**

We wish to nominate: _____ of

_____ Club/Group/Society/Zone
One (1) Nomination Form per person

Select one (1) category only (by placing a cross in the box)

- Outstanding contribution by an Individual to:
GARDENING and /or **HORTICULTURE**.
Examples: long term contribution through writing, teaching, broadcasting, exhibiting, judging, speaking, etc.
- Outstanding service by an Individual to:
GARDEN CLUBS OF AUSTRALIA INC.
Examples: assisting information days, conferences, past member of GCA committee or Zone Co-ordinator.
- Outstanding service by a Member to:
an affiliated **CLUB**
Examples. Long term, outstanding contributions, sharing knowledge, office bearer, tours, fund raising, stalls.
- Outstanding service by an affiliated Club to
the **COMMUNITY**.
Examples: club involvement in town landscaping, town parks, botanic or community gardens, shows.
- Outstanding service by an Individual to
the **COMMUNITY**.
Examples: individual involvement in town landscaping, town parks, botanic or community gardens, shows.
- Outstanding service by a Member of an affiliated Club to
the **ENVIRONMENT**.
Examples: educating the public in protection of the environment, ecological gardening, and land care.
- Achieving excellence by an Individual in
FLORAL ART
Examples: promoting floral art, judging, training, demonstrating, and producing award-winning arrangements.

GCA reserves the right to put nominations into a more appropriate category than that originally selected.

	Proposer	Seconder
Signature		
Print name		
Club		
Address		
Phone Number		
Email address		

We attach a one page (A4) description of why the nominee should receive the Award.

(No additional pages to be attached)

Deadline for nominations 6th July 2011

Note: Currently serving members of the Federal Committee are ineligible for Awards.

2011 GCA. Inc AWARDS GUIDELINES FOR NOMINATIONS

Eligibility:

The nominee must be a financial member of an affiliated GCA club.

In choosing the award winners, the selection panel will take into account the achievements and attributes of the nominees in relation to the nominated category.

Please note that the GCA reserves the right to place your nomination into a more appropriate or additional category than originally selected.

Criteria:

The following criteria listed under each award category will assist in writing the nomination.

While these criteria are specific to each award category, all nominees must display in addition some or all of the following:

- friendship, goodwill and sharing of knowledge towards members and community
- an overall contribution to club, community and/or GCA.

Nominators should acknowledge any awards received by the nominee within their club and/or community, as well as length of positions held and years of membership of the club, however this does not necessarily influence the nominee's worthiness to receive a GCA award.

AWARD CATEGORIES:

1) Outstanding contribution by an individual to gardening and/or horticulture

Nominee must have:

- shown a long-term contribution to gardening and/or horticulture through writing, teaching, broadcasting, exhibiting, judging or speaking. This should be of a local, state, national and/or international focus.

2) Outstanding service by an individual to The Garden Clubs of Australia Inc.

Nominee must have:

- a commitment to GCA by assisting to organise and/or run Information, Zone or Friendship Days;
- shown support for National Convention;
- been an active Zone Coordinator and/or served on the GCA Committee;
- assisted with special GCA events, e.g. Awards,
- promoted GCA to the wider community.

3) Outstanding service by a member to an affiliated club.

Nominee must have:

- shown their service in years and/or activities, e.g. arranging tours, arranging social activities, serving on the committee, awards received, eg life membership of club.
- been an all-round helper with club activities, e.g. inspiring fellow members as a gardener; assisting with activities such as being in charge of trading table, etc.;
- promoted their club in the community; writing club newsletter or mentoring members.

4) Outstanding service by an affiliated club to the community.

Nominee must have:

- shown an involvement in projects both practical and educational for the public with town and/or city landscaping, parks, botanic gardens, community gardens, etc.

5) Outstanding service by an individual to the community.

Nominee must have:

- shown an involvement in projects both practical and educational for the public with town and/or city landscaping, parks, botanic gardens, community gardens.

6) Outstanding service by a member of an affiliated club to the environment.

Nominee must have:

- shown to be an active, inspiring and committed person in relation to protecting the environment.
- the ability to communicate and educate the public in understanding environmental issues.

7) Achieving excellence by an individual in Floral Art.

Nominee must be

- an active member of a floral art group;
- instrumental in promoting floral art through judging, producing manuals, training judges, demonstrating and/or organising workshops;
- experienced in club, regional, state, national and/or international displays or demonstration;
- capable of producing prize-winning arrangements.

LENGTH of RESUMÉ:

No more than one A4 page in total.