

**CATEGORIES:
JUNIOR GARDENERS AWARD DESCRIPTIONS 2023-2025**

FFGC Awards J-1 thru J-4 Due Date: November 22

Applicant must be a registered Junior Garden Club

Submit: Download the FFGC Award Application form 2023-2025

Submissions: for J-1 thru J-4

Please note: **J-2** is sent to Barbara May, Flower Show Consultant
4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington FL 33449 by Nov 30.

Please Note: J-10-- J-40 are due to Brenda Davis DUE January 2.

FFGC J-1 JUNIOR DESIGN AWARD

Donors: FFGC

Description/Purpose: To recognize and award the best blueribbon design exhibited by a junior gardener during the current award year in the Youth division of any NGC Standard Flower Show, or in any Youth Show adhering to National Garden Club standards.

Proof of Accomplishment: Complete the FFGC Awards Application and include two color photographs of the design exhibit. Include photocopies of the entry card and ribbon dated and signed by the flower show judges evaluating the design. The age and grade of the exhibitor should be indicated. Copy and paste an excerpt from the Flower Show Schedule that includes the section/class of the exhibit.

Submission: Email FFGC Awards Application to FFGC Awards Chairman, TBA by Nov 23.

Award: An award of \$25 may be offered in the following

Classes:

A. Grades 3 and 4

B. Grades 5 and 6

Scoring based on: Neatness, Accomplishment of Purpose, Creativity, Adherence to NGC Standards, Appropriate documentation.

FFGC J-2 YOUTH FLOWER SHOW OR YOUTH SECTION OF AN ADULT STANDARD FLOWER SHOW

Donors: FFGC

\$25 is offered in Classes A, B, and C. Entries winning in any of these classes will be sent to NGC for consideration of NGC Red Rosette.

A. Youth flower show held by one (1) NGC Youth club or Youth group, sponsored by an NGC member club.

B. Youth Flower show held by two (2) or more NGC Youth clubs or Youth Groups, sponsored by an NGC member club.

C. Youth participation in an adult Standard Flower Show.

Due: November 30

Submission: Send completed application to

Send FFGC Awards Application to Barbara May, 4521 Barclay Fairway, Wellington FL 33449 by November 30.

FFGC J-3 SCHOOL GROUNDS BEAUTIFICATION

Donors: FFGC

\$25 is offered annually to a Junior Gardener Club for the greatest improvement in an established school yard or for contributions in the landscaping of a new school.

Photographs before, during and at the completion of work on the project will be required, along with a written account, a planting plan, and a list of materials used. It is the intention of this award to encourage Junior Garden Clubs, Scouts, 4-H groups, Future Farmers, and students to participate in the beautification of the school grounds of Florida.

Class:

A. Pre K-2nd grade class B. 3rd-5th grade class

Submission: to FFGC Awards Chair, Dale DeFeo

ffgcsubmitawards@gmail.com by Nov 23.

Scoring based on: Neatness, Accomplishment of Purpose, Creativity, Adherence to NGC Standards, Appropriate documentation.

FFGC J-4 Youth Horticulture Educational Award (New)

Donor: FFGC

Description and Purpose: To the overall winner of a Youth Garden Club, sponsored by a FFGC Garden Club, for the most significant effort in planting and growing horticulture in an outdoor area. Participants may seek advice from any source but must do the actual gardening themselves.

Proof of Accomplishment: Use FFGC Awards Application and report in narrative style. Entry should include:

1. Size of Outdoor Area planted
2. Names and Amount of Horticulture Planted
3. Names and Amount of Horticulture Harvested

4. Those Benefiting from Your Outdoor Garden

Category: Grades K-5

An award of \$25 is offered.

Submission: to FFGC Awards Chair, TBA

ALL REMAINING AWARDS (J-10 THRU J-40) APPLICATIONS SHOULD BE SENT TO:
JUNIOR GARDENER CHAIRMAN, BRENDA DAVIS
2270 N. Volusia Point, Hernando FL 34442
(904) 613-9341 **EMAIL:** cresseycaligus@gmail.com **DEADLINE: January 2**

*Please Note age divisions for Junior Gardeners has changed.
Junior Gardeners are now Pre-K (VPK) through 5th grade.
6th grade has been promoted to Intermediate Gardeners.*

Applicant must be a registered Junior Garden Club or member of a registered Junior Garden Club

- **USE THE JUNIOR GARDENER AWARD APP ABOVE**
- J-10 thru J-40 Junior Gardener Awards

BASIC SCALE OF POINTS

Presentation: Neatness, Artistic Elements	20 pts.
Content: Accuracy of Depictions, Labels & Drawings, Comprehensiveness of work, Evaluation of Goals reached	28 pts.
Achievement: Purpose in description achieved, Educational, NGC Standards Represented	25 pts.
Documentation: Clear well labeled, neatly attached, required documentation when applicable, Number of Photos, Number of Posters, Number of Words in report, correct format	27 pts.
Possible Final Score	100 pts.

ENVIRONMENT

J-10 CLASSROOM PROJECT

Donor: FFGC

Three awards of \$25 each, offered annually to the Junior Garden Club making the best group of environmental posters in each division. Computers may be used. Any environmental subject may be chosen by classroom leader/teacher. All club members are to be involved. Th size of poster should

be 11 inches by 14 inches. Judged on the collective presentation of subject, content, originality, and neatness.

Class: A. Pre-K – 1st grade B. 2nd – 3rd grade C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and group of posters

J-11 LITTER CONTROL POSTER

Donor: FFGC

\$25 is offered annually to the individual in each division making the best litter control poster. The poster should be 11 inches by 14 inches.

Evaluation: See Basic Scale of Points

The forceful presentation of the litter control idea as interpreted will be given greater consideration than the artistry of the work.

Class: A. Kindergarten - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

J-12 LAND TRUST ESSAY AWARD

Donors: FFGC

\$25 is offered to a member of a Junior Garden Club in each division submitting the most outstanding essay on the subject "Save Land for Tomorrow." The essay should be neatly written or typed.

Approximately 30 words for Kindergarten -1st grade; 60 words for grades 2nd - 3rd; 100 words for grades 4th - 5th

Class: A. Kindergarten - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and essay

J-13 JUNIOR GARDENERS NATURE POSTERS AWARD, a group project.

Donor: FFGC

\$25 is offered for the best group of posters in each division on any nature subject. The poster size should be 11 inches by 14 inches.

Class Minimum: A. 3 posters: Pre K - K B. 4 posters: 1st-2nd grade
C. 5 posters: 3rd - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and group of posters

J-14 WATER CONSERVATION – Environmental Poster Contest

Donor: FFGC

Theme: "We Love Our Water – Let's Save It"

Objective: To make children aware of the importance of water and the need to conserve it as a precious resource. Children are to draw pictures illustrating how important water is in their lives and show the need to conserve it.

Poster Contest Rules:

1. Size of Poster – (11 inches by 14 inches)
 2. Materials – crayons, markers, poster paints – (Bold colors are best.)
- This is an individual award of \$25 to a Junior Gardener in the following divisions.

Class: A. Pre K - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

J- 15 THE LOUISE ADAMS FOR WEKIVA YOUTH CAMP REPORT

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 is given for the best individual report on "My Week at Wekiva Youth Camp." The report should be simple, but informative, about learned and found information such as the description of nature walks, crafts or fun projects, sketches, pictures, pressed plant material, etc.

Division A - 50 Words (approximately) Division B - 100 Words (approx.)

A. 3rd-4th grade B. 5th - 6th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and individual's report

J- 16 FIELD TRIP REPORT

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered to the Junior Gardener in each division for the best report describing a field trip. The report must be neatly written. Points will be given for photographs, maps, wildlife information, drawings or pictures of horticulture native to that particular environment. Virtual Field trips are also acceptable. Please include the field trip location's name in the report.

Division A - 20 Words (approximately), Division B - 50 Words (approximately), Division C - 100 Words (approximately)

A. Pre K- 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and Field Trip report

HORTICULTURE

J-20 JUNIOR HORTICULTURE

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered annually to a Junior Garden Club in each division for the best work in horticulture.

RULES AND SUGGESTIONS: The leader of the unit will select a horticulture project for the year. They will see that the juniors participating are instructed and advised but that the project is the work of the students. The written report may be the work of one or several members of the unit. Pictures or drawings may be added to illustrate.

PROJECT IDEAS:

1. Ways of propagating plants. Grow one plant (or plants) so propagated.

2. Insect friends and enemies of plants.

3. Identify 25 flowering plants.

4. A study of poisonous plants.

A. Pre-K - 1st grade

B. 2nd - 3rd grade

C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-21 POISONOUS PLANTS

Donor: FFGC

\$25 is offered for the best folder of poisonous plants native to the Southeastern United States, made by a Junior Garden Club in each division. Material submitted must be done in color, showing characteristics, color of bloom (if any), shape of leaf, and where it is grown.

Judging Considerations: neatness, accuracy in identifying parts of the plant to be avoided, and identification of the plant (color of bloom, where found, etc.)

Minimum: 3 plants for Division A; 5 plants for Division B; 7 plants for Division C.

A. Kindergarten - 1st grade

B. 2nd - 3rd grade

C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-22 PITCHER PLANT PRESERVATION

Donor: FFGC

\$25 will be offered to a Junior Garden Club in each division that prepares the best folder of various drawings or colorings of specific pitcher plants. Each drawing or coloring should be done by different individuals in the unit so that all will learn about pitcher plants and their conservation.

Minimum: 3 plants for Division A; 4 plants for Division B; 5 plants for Division C.

A. Pre K - 1st B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-23 CHILDREN'S GARDENS

Donor: FFGC

On a sheet of poster paper (11 inches by 14 inches) paste a picture or pictures of your home garden with a story about why you like to garden and who interested you in beginning to garden.

This is an individual award of \$25 offered to a Junior Gardener in the following Divisions:

A. PreKindergarten B. Kindergarten C. 1st grade D. 2nd grade
E. 3rd grade F. 4th grade G. 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

J-24 WILDFLOWER FOLDER

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered to an individual member of a Junior Garden Club or a a Junior Garden Club in each division who compiles the best material and original drawings on wildflowers. A brief description of the habitat: such as wetlands, uplands, or meadows should accompany the drawings.

Minimum: 3 wildflowers for divisions A & B, 5 wildflowers for divisions C & D, 8 wildflowers for divisions E & F, 10 Wildflowers for Division G.

Evaluation: Drawings of flowers, in color, showing botanical details (50); Correct botanical identification (family, etc.) (15); Layout of book, neatness, and artistic elements (15); Other important facts, location, time of blooming, use to man or animal (20)

A. Group Pre K B. Individual K - 1st grade C. Group K - 1st grade.
D. Individual 2nd - 3rd grade E. Group 2nd - 3rd grade
F. Individual 4th - 5th grade G. Group 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and drawings

J-25 NATIVE PLANTS

Donors: FFGC

An award of \$25 is offered to a Junior Gardener or Junior Garden Club who compiles the best material and original drawings or photographs on native plants in each division. A brief description of the habitat, such as wetlands, uplands, or meadows, food source for animals/insects and any other interesting information should accompany the drawings/pictures.

Judging Considerations: Drawings/Pictures of plants, in color, showing botanical details (50); Correct botanical identification (family, etc.) (15); Layout of book, neatness, and artistic elements (15); Other important facts, location, time of blooming (if applicable), use to man or animal (20).

Minimum: 3 plants for grades Pre K-1st, 5 plants for grades 2nd-3rd, 7 plants for grades 4th-5th.

A. Pre K - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and portfolio

J-26 NATIVE TREES OF FLORIDA

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener for the best informational description and illustration of native trees of Florida. May include spatter prints, drawings, photographs of trees, leaves and/or bark, map of areas in Florida where the trees are known to grow, preferences as to soil or water, can it be grown in a garden or in public plantings, are the trees on conservation list or needing protection, and ways of propagating native trees.

Minimum: 1 tree for division A, 3 trees for division B, 5 trees for division C.

A. Pre K – 1st grade B. 2nd – 3rd grade C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-27 TREE AWARD

Donor: FFGC

“Why This Tree is Important to Me.” Paste a picture of yourself with your special tree on a sheet of poster paper (11 inches by 14 inches). Tell why this tree is important to you below the picture. Include the kind of tree and why it means so much to you, such as if you planted it, why, who helped you, or any other special reason.

This is an individual award of \$25 each to a Junior Gardener in each Division.

A. Pre K B. Kindergarten C. 1st grade D. 2nd grade
E. 3rd grade F. 4th grade G. 5th grade H. 6th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and poster

ANIMAL

J-30 THE MARGARET Y. PACE BIRDS SEEN IN FLORIDA AWARD

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener in each division for a folder on birds seen in Florida. Judging Considerations: number of species, comparative size, correct information as to type of food, nesting habits, time

of year seen, mannerisms, worthiness of protection, migration route and/or flyways, neatness, and artistic elements.

Minimum: Division A - 3 Birds, Division B - 5 Birds, Division C - 7 Birds

A. Pre K – 1st grade B. 2nd – 3rd grade C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and folder

J-31 AQUATIC BIRDS IN FLORIDA

Donor: FFGC

Six awards of \$25 will be offered annually to a Junior Gardener in each division for a folder on Aquatic Birds of Florida. Judging Considerations: number of species, correct information as to the type of food, type of body of water they are found, nesting habits, mannerisms, protection status and greatest environmental threat to livelihood.

Minimum: Division A, B & C - 3 Birds, Division D & E - 5 Birds, Division F - 7 Birds

A. Pre K B. Kindergarten C. 1st grade D. 2nd grade

E. 3rd grade F. 4th - 5th grade

Evaluation: See Basic Scale of Points

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and folder

J-32 BUTTERFLY CONSERVATION FOLDER

Donor: FFGC

\$25 will be awarded annually to the Junior Garden Club in each division submitting the best descriptions, pictures, and information about Florida butterflies. Purpose of award is to instill an awareness of butterflies in the eco-system.

A. Pre K - K grade B. 1st grade C. 2nd grade D. 3rd grade

E. 4th grade F. 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-33 PROTECTING POLLINATORS AWARD

Donor: FFGC

\$25 is offered annually to a Junior Garden Club in each division for the best collection of posters describing a minimum of 3 different kinds of pollinators found in Florida. The posters should include a brief description of why pollinators are important and one way to protect them. The size of poster should be 11 inches by 14 inches.

A. Pre Kindergarten B. Kindergarten C. 1st grade D. 2nd grade

E. 3rd grade F. 4th grade G. 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J- 34 REPTILES AND AMPHIBIANS FOUND IN FLORIDA

Donor: FFGC

An Award of \$25 is offered to the Junior Gardener in each division for compiling the best material on reptiles or amphibians in Florida. It should include hand drawings, correct information as to habits, protection status, is it native, invasive a nuisance, etc., and be neatly and attractively presented.

Minimum: Division A - 3 examples, Division B - 5 examples

Division C - 7 examples

A. Pre K - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J- 35 GARDEN INSECTS FOUND IN FLORIDA

Donor: FFGC

An award of \$25 will be offered to the Junior Gardener in each division submitting the best description and illustration of either helpful or harmful garden insects. Entries should consist of hand drawings, the description of the insect characteristics and should be neatly and attractively presented.

Minimum: Division A- 3 examples Division B - 5 examples

Division C - 7 examples

A. Pre K - 1st grade B. 2nd - 3rd grade C. 4th - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed application and materials

J-36 SHELLS IN FLORIDA

Donors: FFGC

\$25 will be offered to a Junior Gardener in each division for the best information, description, and illustrations and/or pictures of shells found in Florida. All materials should be presented securely in a Booklet. Judging Considerations: presentation, correct identification, knowledge of shells, artistic elements, and neatness.

A. Pre K – 1st grade B. 2nd – 3rd grade C. 4th – 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: Send completed 1 page application and booklet limited to 6 pages front side only

J-40 JUNIOR ACHIEVEMENT

Donor: FFGC

Six \$25 awards will be offered to a Junior Garden Club best achieving FFGC objectives in any one of the following:

A. Participation in Flower Show Design or Horticulture or participation in a workshop in design or horticulture and club projects including Arbor Day.

1) Pre K - 2nd grade, 2) 3rd - 5th grade

B. Conducting conservation, clean earth programs and a Nature Study Picnic

1) Pre K - 2nd grade 2) 3rd - 5th grade

C. Contribute to a nature related organization with financial support, services or goods and create a club scrapbook of the club's year-long activities including the actions supporting the nature related organization.

1) Pre K - 2nd grade 2) 3rd - 5th grade

Due: January 2

Submission: When referencing which award you are applying for, please use both the letter and number, *e.g.*, Award A2 or Award C1.

Send completed application and booklet of no more than 6 pages front side only