GROWING GOOD KIDS BOOK AWARDS

Each year, the American Horticultural Society, in partnership with the Junior Master Gardener program, honors engaging, inspiring work of plant, garden and ecology-themed children’s literature. This year, the recipients of the 2020 Growing Good Kids—Excellence in Children’s Literature Award were announced during the AHS’s virtual National Children & Youth Garden Symposium in July. The four recipients of the 2020 award are:

**Badger’s Perfect Garden** by Marcia Diane Arnold. Illustrated by Ramona Kaulitzki. Sleeping Bear Press.

**The Thing About Bees: A Love Letter** written and illustrated by Shabazz Larkin. Reader to Eaters.

**We are the Gardeners** by Joanna Gaines. Illustrated by Julianna Swaney. Thomas Nelson.

**Right This Very Minute** by Lisl H. Detlefsen. Illustrated by Renee Kurilla. Feeding Minds Press.

If you’ve been looking for ways to share the joy of gardening and the natural world with the children in your life, consider gifting one or more of these books. Many other wonderful book choices can be found by browsing previous winners of the award. A percentage of your purchase made through Amazon Smile can be donated back to AHS. To view a video of the award announcement, visit [https://jmgkids.us/bookawards](https://jmgkids.us/bookawards).

SUPPORT AHS WHILE PURCHASING FLOWERS

We are excited to announce FabulousFlorals.com has agreed to donate 5% of their sales (up to $5,000) back to the American Horticultural Society now through August 31, 2021. Fabulous Florals is committed to providing the finest fresh-cut wholesale flowers by the bunch, in assortments, in wedding flower packages, and by individual varieties.

It even offers a variety of DIY packages to customize special occasions. Your order can be shipped in single bunches and bulk flowers to anywhere in the United States and Canada, for large events or smaller, intimate gatherings.

When you order your flowers from FabulousFlorals.com, use code AHSFF so that 5% of your purchase will be automatically given to AHS. Enter this code in the “coupon code” field or in the “order notes” field during checkout. Please note this will not discount your order, but ensures 5% of your product purchase goes back to AHS to support our educational programs.
BULB PURCHASES FROM BRENT AND BECKY’S SUPPORT AHS
PLANTING BULBS in autumn is a great way to ensure your spring garden sparkles with color. Through Brent and Becky’s Bulbs Bloomin’ Bucks program, you can enhance your garden while at the same time supporting the AHS’s outreach programs.

A family-owned mail-order bulb supplier based in Gloucester, Virginia, Brent and Becky’s Bulbs created Bloomin’ Bucks, a progressive fundraising program that allows the company’s customers to support nonprofits of their choice through a percentage of their purchases. When checking out, just mention that you would like your order to benefit the AHS, and 25% of the total amount you spend will go to the AHS. To learn more about Bloomin’ Bucks, and view Brent and Becky’s catalog, visit www.brentandbeckysbulbs.com/site/view/836.

ONLINE AUCTION: DETAILS TO COME
EACH YEAR we curate a collection of special items, events, and travel opportunities for bidding in our silent and online auctions, with proceeds benefiting the American Horticultural Society’s national outreach programs. Past auctions have featured exclusive tour packages to renowned botanical gardens, one-of-a-kind jewelry, tickets for major sporting events, and more. This year’s online auction offerings will be just as sure to inspire your interest. More information will be available soon at www.ahsgardening.org/gardenparty.

THIS YEAR’S AHS GALA has been reinvented as a virtual “garden party” to be held Sunday, November 8, 2020. Join us to celebrate coming together at home.

The honorary guest for this special event is interior designer, gardener, and best-selling author James Farmer, who will take us on a live tour of his beautiful south Georgia home and garden while sharing his favorite tips for seasonal entertaining, table design, and fall gardening—all served up with his signature Southern charm and style. Monte Durham—the witty host of TLC’s Say Yes to the Dress: Atlanta—will host the festivities live from the AHS’s River Farm headquarters in Alexandria, Virginia. A mystery celebrity guest from “across the pond” with a royal connection will also make an appearance.

Guests will have special access to recipes, learn flower arranging tips, participate in an online auction, and receive a signed copy of Farmer’s newest book, Arriving Home. All proceeds from the event will benefit the AHS’s national outreach programs. For information about tickets, sponsorship opportunities and the online auction, visit www.ahsgardening.org/gardenparty or contact Vice President of Development Susan Klejst at sklejst@ahsgardening.org.

Make Room for Our Gardens
There’s room to roam. To relax. To play. To explore fantastic fountains and family fun. Stroll under towering trees and savor the season’s beauty. Room to wander. Room to wonder. Room for you.
Access Member Benefits Online!

Did you know you can easily search back issues of The American Gardener through our website and even gain early access to the most current issue before your copy arrives in the mail? You’ll also find discount codes with AHS partner companies, links to discounted events, and more as new benefits pop up! Here are a few things to do to help access your member benefits online.

1. Create a username and password. This can be done from any page on our website (www.ahsgardening.org) by clicking on the Member Login in the top right corner and following the instructions.

2. If you have already done this and still aren’t able to access benefits, e-mail us at membership@ahsgardening.org and we’ll troubleshoot the problem with you.

3. Make sure @ahsgardening.org is marked as a safe sender within your e-mail provider to make sure you are receiving timely communication from us or if you ever need to reset your password. If you still aren’t getting our e-mails, please let us know and we can look into it further for you.

Seasonal Porch Pots

BY CLAIRE JONES

A S a garden designer, I am often asked to provide fall and winter interest in a garden with its-prime containers with something unique opportunity to dress up these past-prizes, porches, decks, and patios.

Late-fall and winter foraging offers a same ornamental qualities—and repurpose materials that you can take advantage of these porches pots, are supported by the existing arrangements, sometimes referred to as both structural and festive that will last their-prime containers with something unique opportunity to dress up these past-prizes, porches, decks, and patios.

As the growing season comes to an end, repurpose materials from your garden to create beautiful outdoor seasonal container displays.

In honor of Gloria Kersaw
Mrs. Louise M. Shoksnyder

In memory of J. Landon Reeve, IV
Mr. and Mrs. Stephen and Susan Klejst
Dr. Erich E. Veitenheimer and Mr. Andrew Cariaso

If you would like to support the AHS, please call Susan Klejst, Vice President of Development, at (703) 768-5700 ext. 127.

MAGAZINE ARTICLE WINS GOLD AWARD

AN ARTICLE by Claire Jones, published in last year’s September/October issue of this magazine, has received a 2020 Gold Medal Award in the magazine writing category from GardenComm, a professional organization for garden communicators. The article, titled “Seasonal Porch Pots,” offered suggestions for how to create long-lasting arrangements of seasonal foliage and berries in containers. To view a list of other award winners, visit https://gardencomm.org/Post/Announcing-the-2020-GardenComm-Silver-Award Winners.

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