

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum Awards

(*Awards are given for previous year's efforts; i.e. 2020 awards recognize 2019 efforts.)

President's Citation

| | | |
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| 2019 | Randy Crawford, Forest Lawn | Omaha |
| 2018 | Bluebird Nursery, Inc. | Clarkson |
| 2017 | Eric Berg | Lincoln |
| 2016 | Friends of Maxwell and the Earl G. Maxwell Arboretum | Lincoln |
| 2015 | Nebraska Environmental Trust | statewide |
| 2014 | Gary Zimmer | Pierce |
| 2009 | Robert E. Campbell (posthumous) | Lincoln |
| 2008 | No awards given | |
| 2007 | Jim Goeke | North Platte |
| 2006 | Dave Stock | Murdock |
| 2005 | Walter Bagley | Lincoln |
| 2004 | First Lady Stephanie Johanns | Lincoln |
| 2002 | Randy Fox | Nebraska City |
| 2001 | Dale Lindgren | North Platte |
| 2000 | Dave Mooter | Omaha |
| 1999 | Gary Hergenrader | Lincoln |
| 1998 | Irvin T. Omtvedt | Lincoln |
| 1997 | Kim Todd | Lincoln |
| 1996 | Charles Maier | Wayne |
| 1995 | Michael McGinnis | Alliance |
| 1994 | Ralph Steyer | Blair |
| 1993 | Kiewit Foundation | Omaha |
| 1992 | Lola Leu | Hayes Center |
| 1991 | Jerry Hackenholz | Omaha |
| 1990 | Orville Hatcher | Omaha |
| 1989 | George Briggs | Lincoln |
| 1988 | First Federal Lincoln | Lincoln |
| 1987 | Ken Hake | Lincoln |
| 1986 | Harlan & Shirley Hamernik | Clarkson |
| 1985 | Bud Dasenbrock | Lincoln |
| 1984 | Allen Wilke | Columbus |
| 1983 | Richard Beran | |
| 1982 | Peter Jensen | Lincoln |

Affiliate Excellence Award

| | | |
|------|---------------------------------------|--------------------|
| 2019 | Lauritzen Gardens | Omaha |
| 2018 | Wayne State College | Wayne |
| 2017 | Northeast Arboretum | Concord |
| 2016 | Joslyn Art Museum Arboretum | Omaha |
| 2015 | Jim Kluck Memorial Railside Green | Schuyler |
| 2014 | none given | |
| 2013 | Pender Community Arboretum | Pender |
| 2012 | Lincoln Regional Center Arboretum | Lincoln |
| 2011 | Midland University Heritage Arboretum | Fremont |
| 2010 | Chadron State College Arboretum | Chadron |
| 2009 | Campus of a Thousand Oaks | Peru State College |
| 2008 | none given | |
| 2007 | Gilman Park Arboretum | Pierce |

Johnny Appleseed Award

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|------|----------------------|---------------------|
| 2019 | Dennis Bammerlin | Middle Niobrara NRD |
| 2018 | Mark Wilson | Lincoln |
| 2017 | Philip Schmitt | Gering |
| 2016 | Jessica Kelling | Kearney |
| 2015 | Great Plains Nursery | Weston |
| 2014 | Galen Wittrock | Sidney |
| 2009 | Larry Martin | Valparaiso |

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|------|--|-----------------|
| 2008 | No awards given | |
| 2007 | Cynthia Shuck | Omaha |
| 2006 | Jim Kluck | Schuyler |
| 2005 | Gerald Hopp | Falls City |
| 2004 | Kenneth Glandt | Battle Creek |
| 2002 | Wilton Dorris | Lemoyne |
| 2001 | Bob Feurer | North Bend |
| 2000 | Barton James Barcel | Bellwood |
| 1999 | Wanda Kelly | Thurston |
| 1998 | Thomas Gibbens | Cozad |
| 1997 | Dean Robinson | Harrison |
| 1996 | Eugene Soloman | Blair |
| 1995 | D.T. McGill | Creighton |
| 1994 | Sue Kohles | Hickman |
| 1993 | Larry Jacobsen | Lincoln |
| 1992 | Dr. Marvin Bichel | Wakefield |
| 1991 | Ken Berney | Norfolk |
| 1990 | Curt Twedt | Lincoln |
| 1989 | Twyla Hansen | Lincoln |
| 1988 | NE Assoc. of Nurserymen, Jennings Haggarty, Cornelius Speidell, Robert Campbell, Harvey Williams | |
| 1987 | Allen Wilke | Columbus |
| 1986 | Steve Kemper | Fort Atchinson |
| 1985 | Max Peterson | Ogallala |
| 1984 | Blanche Sandoz | Sheridan County |
| 1983 | Walt and Virginia Bagley | Lincoln |
| 1982 | John Bliese | Kearney |
| 1981 | Ralph Steyer | Blair |
| 1980 | Hans Burchardt | Lincoln |

Blazing Star Award

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|------|-----------------------------|--------------|
| 2019 | Itha Krumme Arboretum | Falls City |
| 2018 | The Nature Conservancy | statewide |
| 2017 | Bruce Hoffman | McCook |
| 2016 | Jim Locklear | Lincoln |
| 2015 | City of Lincoln | Lincoln |
| 2014 | Jan Riggerbach | Omaha |
| 2009 | Peg & Larry Fletcher | Lincoln |
| 2008 | No awards given | |
| 2007 | Spring Creek Audubon Center | Denton |
| 2006 | Harlan Hamernik | Clarkson |
| | Kay Kottas | Lincoln |
| 2005 | None | |
| 2004 | Tim Knott | Lincoln |
| 2002 | Louis & Geri Gilbert | Cedar Bluffs |
| 2001 | Jim Stubbendieck | Lincoln |
| 2000 | Bill and Jan Whitney | Aurora |
| 1999 | Ernie Rousek | Lincoln |

Jim Kluck Honor Award (award name changed from Honor Award to Jim Kluck Honor Award in 2007)

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| 2019 | Gary Zimmer | Pierce |
| 2018 | Jeff Kennedy | Gothenburg |
| 2017 | Bob Brandt | Unadilla |
| 2016 | Ron Seymour | Hastings |
| 2015 | Lucinda Mays | Chadron |
| 2014 | John Royster | Omaha |
| 2012 | Leonard Boryca | Stanton |
| 2011 | Todd Faller | York |
| 2010 | Bob & Carol Lynch | Omaha |
| 2009 | B n E Construction | North Bend |
| 2008 | No awards given | |

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| 2007 | Matthew Goff | Falls City |
| 2006 | John Lauber | Brownville |
| 2005 | Gary Carlson | Fremont |
| 2004 | Donald Gentry | Gering |
| 2003 | No award given | |
| 2002 | Alma Rotary Club | Alma |
| | Good Samaritan Landscape Committee | Scribner |
| 2001 | Ron Ernst | Gering |
| | Kinghorn Gardens, Inc. | Omaha |
| 2000 | Jim Linderhom (HWS Consulting, Inc.) | Lincoln |
| 1999 | Rita Orton | Lincoln |
| 1998 | Mack Deveraux | Callaway |
| 1997 | Diana Harms | Minatare |
| | Carl Rohman | Lincoln |
| | Gary Zimmer | Pierce |
| 1996 | Luci Prier | Lincoln |
| | Anna Marie White | Dixon |
| 1990 | Mike Coe | Crete |
| 1989 | Ed & Elvina Lyman | Lincoln |
| | Dave McGill | Lincoln |
| | Augusta Lux | |
| | Bob Diller | Steele City |
| 1988 | Henry Brandt | Lincoln |
| | Charles Fenster | Gering |
| | Klaus Hartmann | Lincoln |
| 1987 | Lincoln Airport Authority | Lincoln |
| | Gladys Jeurink | Lincoln |
| | Roger Nelson | |
| 1986 | Don & Olive Forney | Lakeside |
| | Bob Storz | Omaha |
| | Jim Stubbendieck | Lincoln |
| 1985 | Loup City Elementary School 6 th graders | Loup City |
| | Deon & Susan Bahr | Lincoln |
| 1984 | Mervin Jacobsen | Neligh |
| | Ed Rasmussen | Omaha |
| | Robert Roselle | Lincoln |
| 1983 | Bill Gustafson | Lincoln |
| | Joe Range | Lincoln |
| | Ernie Rousek | Lincoln |

Educator Award

| | | |
|------|----------------------|-------------|
| 2019 | Eric North | Lincoln |
| 2018 | Steve Rodie | Omaha |
| 2017 | Leann Sato | Scottsbluff |
| 2016 | Sarah Browning | Lincoln |
| 2015 | Amy Seiler | Scottsbluff |
| | Wes Pokorny | Clarkson |
| 2014 | Kim Todd | Lincoln |
| 2009 | McKenzie Barry | Raymond |
| 2008 | No awards given | |
| 2007 | Rusty Bartlett | Pender |
| | John Tripp | Omaha |
| 2005 | Ann Danner | Bellevue |
| | George Probasco | Arapahoe |
| 2004 | Joan Christen | Beatrice |
| | Tom Wheeldon | Schuyler |
| 2002 | Marcia Crofutt | Ogallala |
| 2001 | Kim Humphrey | Kearney |
| | Mary Elizabeth Lomax | Omaha |
| 1999 | Rich Carey | Omaha |

Volunteer Award

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|------|-----------------------------------|-------------------------|
| 2019 | Dorothy Rippe | Malcolm |
| 2018 | Jan & Jim Wilhelm | Humboldt |
| 2017 | Taylor Arboretum volunteers | Taylor |
| 2016 | Franc Wagner | Hastings |
| 2015 | Karen Creswell | Lincoln, Beattie School |
| 2014 | Russell Moomaw | Wayne |
| 2013 | Joel Lundak | Nebraska City |
| 2012 | Wade VanDiest | Taylor |
| 2011 | Highland Park Arboretum Committee | Hastings |
| 2010 | No awards given | |
| 2009 | Bob Vogel | Lincoln |
| | Betty Poague | Lincoln |
| | Betty Olson | Lincoln |
| 2008 | No awards given | |
| 2007 | Karen McMahan | Fremont |
| 2006 | Marlene & Fred Gakle | Beatrice |
| 2005 | Rob Parolek | Omaha |
| 2004 | Ann Wubbels | Hickman |
| 2002 | Martin Hansen | Brownville |
| 2000 | Larry Bockelman | Wisner |
| | Robert Sage | Brownville |
| | Jean Schneck | Fremont |
| 1999 | Kathy Jeffers | Omaha |
| 1998 | Peggy Gustafson | Wakefield |
| 1997 | Norman & Betty Anderson | Concord |
| | Rex Jones | Falls City |
| | Claude Wright | Alliance |
| 1996 | Donald Baldwin | Falls City |
| | Jan Jorgensen | Creighton |
| 1995 | Hope Robb | Lincoln |
| | Howard DeWitt | Alliance |
| 1994 | Lawrence Fuchs | Belden |
| 1993 | John K. & Bonnie Ward | Lincoln |

Community Landscape Award (new award added in 2014)

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| 2019 | Barnes Park Arboretum | Madison |
| | Dundee Presbyterian Church | Omaha |
| | Mulhall's | Omaha |
| | Sacred Seed Pop-up | Omaha |
| | Wilber Pathways to Progress | Wilber |
| 2018 | Southeast NE Cancer Memorial Garden | Humboldt |
| | Vintage heights Neighborhood Arboretum | Lincoln |
| 2017 | City of Lincoln Antelope Valley | Lincoln |
| | Omaha Correctional Center | Omaha |
| 2016 | Adams County Nebraska Extension Master Gardeners | |
| | Northfield Elementary | Gering |
| | Spring Lake Park Green Infrastructure | Omaha |
| 2015 | McCook Highway 6 and 34 projects | McCook |
| | Salem Cemetery | Salem |
| | Sun Valley Landscaping | Omaha |
| 2014 | Annie Folck | Scottsbluff |
| | City of Omaha Environmental Services Quality Control Division: Nina Cudahy & Andy Szatko, Omaha | |
| | UNL Stormwater Management Education Team: Kelly Feehan of Columbus; Tom Franti of Lincoln; Bobbi Holm & Steve Rodie of Omaha; Katie Pekarek of Lincoln; Dave Shelton of Concord | |

OLDER AWARDS

Young Planters Award

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|------|-----------------------------------|------------|
| 2008 | No award given | |
| 2006 | Alissa Doerr | Creighton |
| 2005 | Sacred Heart School Helping Hands | Falls City |

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| 2004 | Beatrice High School Science Club | Beatrice |
| 2002 | Kahoa Elementary School | Lincoln |
| 2001 | Southeast Nebraska Consolidated School Science Club | Stella |
| 1998 | Christopher Rhea | Fremont |
| 1997 | Norfolk Public High School FFA Chapter O'Neill High School Soil Science Class | Norfolk O'Neill |
| 1996 | Matthew Cox | Norfolk |
| 1989 | Schuyler Future Farmers of America | Schuyler |
| 1988 | Children of North Platte | North Platte |
| 1987 | Shelley Coe | Crete |
| 1985 | Joni Buckow | Plymouth |
| 1984 | Bill Moser | Lincoln |

Tree Planters State Award

| | | |
|------|--|--------------------------------|
| 2008 | No award given | |
| 2007 | Richard Sutton | Lincoln |
| 2006 | Ibrahim "Pappy" Khouri | Crete |
| 2005 | Omaha Public Power District | Omaha |
| 2004 | Waco Village Tree Board | Waco |
| 2002 | Steve Rasmussen | Wayne |
| 2001 | John Skold (Nebraska State Fair) | Lincoln |
| 2000 | Papio-Missouri Natural Resource District | Omaha |
| 1999 | The Backyard Farmer Television Program | University of Nebraska-Lincoln |
| 1998 | Omaha World Herald Branching Out Prg. | Omaha |
| 1997 | Dennis Adams | Lincoln |
| 1996 | NE Conservation Tree Program | Lincoln |
| 1995 | Jim Goeke | North Platte |
| 1994 | Bob Chilvers | Neligh |
| 1993 | Frank Morrison | Lincoln |
| 1992 | In memory of Dr. Gilbert McMillen | Lincoln |
| 1991 | First Federal Lincoln | Lincoln |
| 1990 | Cyril Bish & NE Nutgrowers Association | Lincoln |
| 1989 | Bud Dasenbrock | Lincoln |
| 1988 | UNL & Chancellor Martin Massengale | Lincoln |
| 1987 | Dave Osterhout | Crete |
| 1986 | Roger Uhlinger | Lincoln |
| 1985 | Alice Abel | Lincoln |
| 1984 | Orville Hatcher | Omaha |
| 1983 | Lawrence Enersen | Lincoln |
| 1982 | Lola Leu | Hays Center |
| | Harold Gifford, Jr. | Omaha |
| 1981 | Nebraska Department of Roads | Lincoln |
| 1980 | Kermit Hansen | Elkhorn |
| | Joseph Young | Lincoln |

Commendation Award

| | | |
|------|-----------------------------------|--------------|
| 2008 | No award given | |
| 2007 | Pat Evans | Hastings |
| 2006 | Jay Fitzgerald | Martell |
| | Kendra Sullivan | Omaha |
| | Sara Bailey | LaVista |
| 2005 | Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital | Lincoln |
| | Dave Stenberg | Lexington |
| 2004 | Mary Lanning Memorial Hospital | Hastings |
| 2002 | Centennial Garden | Comstock |
| 2001 | Cedar Bluffs Public Schools | Cedar Bluffs |
| | Carmen Frickenstein | Creighton |
| 2000 | Big Mac Kiwanis Club | Ogallala |
| 1999 | James Cronin | Bladen |
| | Jim Foster | Grand Island |
| 1998 | Fremont Tree Disaster Relief Fund | Fremont |

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| | Nebraska Department of Roads | Lincoln |
| 1997 | John Campbell & Ray Lineweber | Lincoln |
| | Cherry County Master Gardeners | Valentine |
| 1996 | Lower Platte South NRD Forestry Program | Lincoln |
| | Project SOAR, Boy Scouts of America | Scottsbluff |
| | Marjorie Reicks | Wallace |
| | NE Game & Parks Com. state fair displays | Lincoln |
| 1995 | Schuyler Future Farmers of America | Schuyler |
| 1993 | D.T. McGill | Creighton |
| 1987 | Galen & Nellie | |
| | Carolyn Peterson | Stromsburg |
| | Dave Nuland | Scottsbluff |
| | Friends of Maxwell Arboretum | Lincoln |
| 1986 | Eunice Kawamoto | Omaha |
| | Tim Richley | Curtis |
| | Fred Thomas | Omaha |
| 1985 | Pat Hancock | Tekama |
| | Twyla Hansen | Lincoln |
| | Kirk Nelson | Lincoln |
| | Dave Nicklas | Lincoln |
| 1984 | Gilbert McMillen | Lincoln |
| | David Osborn | Kearney |
| | Lyle Shaughnessy | Alliance |
| 1983 | Cyril Bish | Lincoln |
| | Orville Hatcher | Omaha |
| | D.E. Hutchinson | Lincoln |
| | Dale Lindgren | North Platte |
| | Chuck Maier | Wayne |
| | Dorothea Plum | |
| | Blanche Sandoz | Sheridan County |
| | U.E. Wendorf | Lincoln |
| | Rob Wikel | Crete |

Young Planters Award

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| 2005 | Sacred Heart School Helping Hands | Falls City |
| 2004 | Beatrice High School Science Club | Beatrice |
| 2002 | Kahoa Elementary School | Lincoln |
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| | O'Neill High School Soil Science Class | O'Neill |
| 1996 | Matthew Cox | Norfolk |
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| 1985 | Joni Buckow | Plymouth |
| 1984 | Bill Moser | Lincoln |

Graduate Student Research Award

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| 2014 | Amanda Hefner | Lincoln |
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Ambassador Award

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|------|-------------------|--------|
| 1994 | Dorris Marxhausen | Seward |
| 1993 | Alice Hemsath | Curtis |

Special Award

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| 1988 | Michele & Jon Farrar | Lincoln |
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Service Award

1992 Luanne Finke

Lincoln

NSA Graduate Student Research Award

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| 1987 | Teresa Boes |
| 1988 | Gary Coleman |
| 1988/89 | Michael Gebre |
| 1989/90 | Todd Morrissey |
| 1990/91 | Guochen Yang |
| 1991/92 | Hehui Zhang |
| 1992/93 | Kevin Poague |
| 1993/94 | Natalie Sunderman |
| 1994/95 | Xinhua Zhou |
| 1995/96 | Tim Schmitt |
| 1996/97 | Carlos Nieto-C |
| 1997/98 | (No award) |
| 1998/99 | Mee-Sook Kim |
| 1998/99 | Quinjiang Hou |
| 1999/00 | Peter Phillips |
| 2000/01 | Mehmet Nuri Nas |
| 2001/02 | Michael Perry |
| 2002/03 | Brant Bigger |
| 2003/04 | Kathleen Eggemeyer |
| 2004/05 | (No award) |
| 2005/06 | Heidi Puckett |
| 2006/07 | Marcy Wieser |
| 2007/08 | John Quinn |
| 2008/09 | Ariana Jones |
| 2009/10 | Christina M. Huck |
| 2010/11 | Humphrey Kalibo |
| 2011/12 | Brian Larsen |
| 2012/13 | Kristen Skolaut |
| 2013/14 | William Ballesteros |
| 2014/15 | Amanda Hefner |

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