Ruth A. Miller
Beautification Award

2018 NOMINATION FORM

CITY OF GARDENS

ROCKFORD PARK DISTRICT FOUNDATION
Ruth A. Miller Beautification Award

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Purpose

In the spring of 2013, this award was created to honor Ruth A. Miller upon her retirement, for beautification contributions to the Rockford Park District, City of Gardens committee, and City of Rockford. Throughout Ruth’s career, she was a civic leader for the Rockford community who was proud of her community, and sought to continually improve its appearance and image. She provided motivation that encouraged others to join together and create enthusiasm for community beautification. With Ruth’s leadership, the City of Gardens hanging basket program expanded, beautification initiatives increased, and two America in Bloom awards were received.

The Ruth A. Miller award will be awarded annually to a local citizen, business, or organization that has provided exceptional contributions to beautifying the Rockford region. The recipient contributions could include, but are not limited to: property beautification, historical preservation, urban forestry, environmental efforts, neighborhood programs, events, projects, or community volunteerism.

Procedure

NOMINATIONS: Individuals, businesses, or organizations may be nominated by submission of an Award Nomination Form. Forms are available from Nicholas Conservatory & Gardens, the Rockford Park District, or Park District Foundation office, or online at rockfordparkdistrict.org/cityofgardens.

TIMING: Nominations are due by May 31, 2018. The award presentation will be at the City of Gardens’ Wine & Roses event on Thursday, June 14, 2018.

QUALIFICATIONS: Individual(s), businesses, or organizations should have made their contribution in the past calendar year. The 2018 award will be presented to an individual, business, or organization that made a significant contribution to beautify Rockford from May 2017 to May 2018. Organizations may also be a corporation, service club, or educational or governmental agency outside of Rockford so long as contributions were made to beautify the Rockford region within the Rockford Park District boundaries.

Currently-serving board and staff members of the Rockford Park District, Rockford Park District Foundation, and the City of Gardens Advisory Committee are not eligible.

The Award

The Award shall consist of a Garden Sculpture of Coneflowers by local Rockford artist Joe Mongan. The Coneflower was selected by Ruth Miller as the signature of the City of Gardens; it is only fitting that a coneflower represents the award that is named in her honor.

Selection Committee

The City of Gardens Advisory Board will act as the selection committee for the Ruth A. Miller Beautification Award. Shall a board member be a part of a business or organization that is nominated, that board member will not be able to vote for the award that nomination year.
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NOMINEE INFO

NAME

ORGANIZATION NAME (IF APPLICABLE)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY          STATE    ZIP

PHONE NUMBER

NOMINATION CATEGORY

☐ Individual    ☐ Business    ☐ Organization

NOMINATED BY

NAME

ORGANIZATION NAME (IF APPLICABLE)

STREET ADDRESS

CITY          STATE    ZIP

PHONE NUMBER

SUPPORT DOCUMENTATION

Please attach support documentation in the following order:

1. Brief history of individual or organization. If an individual, include such personal items as clubs, organizations, schools attended, family, hobbies, etc.

2. If applicable, provide professional or related experiences of individual or organization.

3. Explain in detail the contributions made by the nominee who you feel merits the receipt of award recognition.

4. Attach any additional documentation that you feel is pertinent to the nomination.

The deadline for nominations is Thursday, May 31, 2018

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