

PCMG Awards Rules and Application

All awards and nominations:

- Master Gardener of the Year
- Rookie of the Year
- Mentor of the Year
- Project of the Year
- Friend of Master Gardeners (non-Master Garden who helps projects or programs)
- Business friend of the Year
- Newsletter of the Year
- Excellence in Education (program that has helped educate the public)

Click here for state descriptions for each category. <https://uaex.uada.edu/yard-garden/master-gardeners/awards.aspx>

The county level application is smaller than the state application. If your nomination wins for Pulaski Co. you will need to work with the county agent and the board to complete the application process for the State nomination. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

How to submit a nomination

Nominations should include how this person/project has impacted our program. Nomination must not exceed 500 words. This does not include titles, subheadings and image captions. Provide a description of how the nominee has supported the Pulaski County master gardeners. Explain their impact on the program, extension, and the community. Be sure to include how the nominee's efforts were received and evaluated. Submit three to four high resolution action-oriented pictures with a caption. These pictures should support and clarify how the nominee has impacted the program through their efforts.

Voting will be an online vote after our November Meeting so please have forms submitted to the county office by no later than November 10th.

Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Master Gardener of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Nominee name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Answer both questions in a combined total of no more than 500 words. Titles, subheadings, and image captions do not count toward this limit. Submit to the county office by November 10. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

1. Describe the nominee's contributions to the Pulaski County Master Gardener program. Which projects, committees, programs, or activities have they participated in, and what specific efforts make them deserving of this award?

2. Explain the nominee's impact on the Master Gardener program and our community. How have their efforts supported fellow volunteers, Extension, or the public? Include specific examples, feedback, or results that demonstrate their impact.

Photo attachments

Attach five high-resolution photos with captions. Include at least one photo of the nominee alone; use the remaining photos to show their contributions and activities.

Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Rookie of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Nominee name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

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1. Describe the nominee's contributions to the Pulaski County Master Gardener program. Which projects, committees, programs, or activities have they participated in, and what specific efforts make them deserving of this award?

2. Explain the nominee's impact on the Master Gardener program and our community. How have their efforts supported fellow volunteers, Extension, or the public? Include specific examples, feedback, or results that demonstrate their impact.

Photo attachments

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Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Mentor of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Nominee name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

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1. Describe the nominee's contributions to the Pulaski County Master Gardener program. Which projects, committees, programs, or activities have they participated in, and what specific efforts make them deserving of this award?

2. Explain the nominee's impact on the Master Gardener program and our community. How have their efforts supported fellow volunteers, Extension, or the public? Include specific examples, feedback, or results that demonstrate their impact.

Photo attachments

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Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Project of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Project name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Answer both questions in a combined total of no more than 500 words. Titles, subheadings, and image captions do not count toward this limit. Submit to the county office by November 10. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

1. Give a description of the project, including how it started and its evolution to today, the project's location, intended audience(s), and current project goals. List the number of MGs who worked the project and total MG project hours. Be sure to identify all project partnerships, their roles and contributions to the project.

2. Explain the project's impact on the Pulaski County Master Gardener program, Extension, and our community. Who benefits from the project, and what specific results, public feedback, or other evidence demonstrate its success?

Photo attachments

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Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Friend of Master Gardeners

2026 Nomination Form

Nominee name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

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1. Describe how this individual, who is not a Master Gardener, has supported Pulaski County Master Gardener projects or programs. What assistance, resources, or services have they provided, and what makes them deserving of this award?

2. Explain the impact of the nominee's support on the Master Gardener program, Extension, and our community. What has their involvement helped volunteers accomplish? Include specific examples, feedback, or results.

Photo attachments

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Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Business Friend of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Business name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Answer both questions in a combined total of no more than 500 words. Titles, subheadings, and image captions do not count toward this limit. Submit to the county office by November 10. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

1. Describe how the nominated business has supported Pulaski County Master Gardener projects or programs. What donations, services, resources, or partnerships has it provided, and what makes it deserving of this award?

2. Explain the impact of the business's support on the Master Gardener program, Extension, and our community. What has this support helped volunteers accomplish? Include specific examples, feedback, or results.

Photo attachments

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Pulaski County Master Gardener Awards

Newsletter of the Year

2026 Nomination Form

Newsletter name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Answer both questions in a combined total of no more than 500 words. Titles, subheadings, and image captions do not count toward this limit. Submit to the county office by November 10. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

1. Describe the newsletter and how it supports the Pulaski County Master Gardener program. Who is its intended audience, what information does it provide, and what makes its content and presentation deserving of this award?

2. Explain the newsletter's impact on its readers and the Master Gardener program. How has it helped educate, inform, or engage readers? Include specific examples, reader feedback, or other evidence of its effectiveness.

Photo attachments

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Excellence in Education

2026 Nomination Form

Program name: _____

Submitted by: _____

Phone or email: _____

Answer both questions in a combined total of no more than 500 words. Titles, subheadings, and image captions do not count toward this limit. Submit to the county office by November 10. Nominees cannot have won an award in the past five years.

1. Describe the educational program, its intended audience, and the Master Gardeners' role in planning or delivering it. What horticultural topics and teaching methods were used, and what makes the program deserving of this award?

2. Explain the program's impact on public horticultural knowledge or practices and its benefit to Extension and our community. How were its results evaluated? Include specific examples, participant feedback, or evidence of learning or changes in gardening practices.

Photo attachments

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