

Criteria for Multnomah County Behind the Scenes Award

(based on the State Behind the Scenes Award criteria)

Please nominate a single individual. Dual or team nominations are discouraged, unless there is a particularly compelling reason to do so (i.e. you are nominating two family members, who work and contribute as a team).

The nominee shall be a Master Gardener for at least one year, have completed annual payback activities in the previous year, and be a current member of Multnomah Chapter.

Nominees will not be scored on a point system, but these categories and issues are to be considered.

Number of Years as a Master Gardener 10%:

Master Gardeners should be recognized for the years of service to the Program. However, because this is not the sole or most important criteria on which applications should be judged.

Chapter Involvement 25%:

Please consider all ways that the nominee may have fostered the success of their Chapter, for example:

Has the nominee held any leadership positions within their local Chapter?

Has the person initiated a new program, or have they breathed new life into an existing program, within their local Chapter?

Do they play a role in training and/or mentoring new Master Gardeners?

Behind the Scenes Contributions 50%:

It is the quiet and unselfish service that defines the Behind the Scenes Award. Thus, this category is weighted the heaviest. Please note that service can occur at the Chapter level, the Metro Program level or both.

These, and other questions, should be considered:

Is the nominee the type of person that you could imagine asking to complete a task, and you sense that they would complete the task in remarkable fashion, and ask for nothing in return?

Have the nominee's contributions to the program been recognized, in some other fashion?

Might you call this Master Gardener an 'Unsung Hero' of the Program?

Comments from nominating Master Gardener(s) 15%: The committee can consider these comments as independent support for the actions of the nominee and their impact on the Master Gardener program.