

The Garden Club Of America
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THE MARTIN McLAREN HORTICULTURAL SCHOLARSHIP
of the
GCA INTERCHANGE FELLOWSHIP PROGRAM
APPLICATION FOR THE YEAR 2008-2009

APPLICATION AND ACCOMPANYING MATERIALS MUST BE IN THE NEW YORK OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 15, 2007

Name: _____
Last First Middle Preferred name

Permanent Home Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

Present Address: _____

Phone: _____

(Finalists will be notified in December. Include dates you expect to receive mail at each address, otherwise all mail will be sent to your permanent home address.)

PERSONAL DATA

Date Of Birth: _____ Place Of Birth: _____ Sex: Female Male

In case of emergency contact:

Name: _____
Name, relationship

Business phone: _____ Home phone: _____

Address: _____

Where did you learn about this scholarship?

Professor Name: _____ Department _____

University: _____

Internet Search method: _____

Grant directory Name: _____

Scholarship Service Name: _____

Other Specify _____

EDUCATION

High schools, colleges and professional/technical schools attended:

Name of Institution	Dates Attended	Year of Graduation	Degree Obtained

Current academic status: _____

Previous employment (professional and other, from high school to the present)

Employment	Dates

In horticulture or related fields, do you have an area of expertise, special interest or study?

Scholarships, fellowships, honors received (include dates):

Are there American arboreta, botanical gardens, private gardens where you have participated? In what capacity?

Additional experience and activities:

What are your career goals?

Please submit the following with your application:

1. Essay # 1 Write a brief essay telling about yourself, including the following points: autobiographical data; how you first became interested in horticulture; hobbies and special interests; travel in the U.S. and abroad; if you speak a foreign language.
2. Essay #2 Write an essay stating your reasons for applying for this scholarship, the specific field in which you wish to study while in England, and what you expect to gain and contribute, should you be awarded this scholarship.
3. College Transcript
4. Four letters of recommendation including one from a college professor who knows you well, and one a personal reference (someone who is not a member of your family and is not connected with your academic career). Please furnish names and addresses of those who are writing your recommendations.

1. _____ _____ _____	3. _____ _____ _____
2. _____ _____ _____	4. _____ _____ _____

Please do not alter or retype this application, or send any additional materials that are not requested.

PLEASE READ AND NOTE

- The Martin McLaren Horticultural Scholarship for American citizens to study in Great Britain is open to recent college graduates who have earned a BA or BS degree in horticulture, landscape architecture or a related degree.
- The scholarship is for a single unaccompanied person.
- Because of a 26-year-old age limit on student travel vouchers in Great Britain and Europe, it is strongly advised that the applicant be 26 or younger.
- All questions must be answered fully and the application completed before it will be considered. Use extra sheets where necessary.
- All finalists must attend a required interview at their own expense in early January 2007 at the Garden Club of America Headquarters in New York City. Finalists will be notified of the time and place for the interviews in early December. All candidates should plan accordingly in the event they are chosen to be a finalist.
- Additional information may be obtained by contacting Ms. Judy Smith, the Scholarship Committee staff administrator, at The Garden Club of America Headquarters in New York City. Phone: (212) 753-8287
- Fax (212) 753-0134, E-mail: scholarship@gcamerica.org
- This scholarship is administered in Great Britain by the Royal Horticultural Society in London

SIGNATURE OF APPLICANT

DATE

The Garden Club of America policy conforms with and strongly supports applicable federal and state laws that forbid discrimination on the basis of race, sex, disability, religion, age, national origin or sexual orientation with regard to the application for any of the scholarships The Garden Club of America sponsors.

COMPLETED APPLICATIONS INCLUDING ALL LETTERS OF RECOMMENDATION MUST BE IN THE NEW YORK OFFICE BY NOVEMBER 15, 2007

Mail completed application to:
Scholarship Committee
The Garden Club of America
14 East 60th Street
New York, NY 10022