

The Gesneriad Society
2023 Annual Report to the Board

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Position/committee: Chair Awards of Appreciation

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Committee Members: Elizabeth Varley Co Chair, Michael Riley, Elizabeth Varley, Julie Mavity-Hudson

Back up person to chair: Elizabeth Varley

How my committee process works: In spring of each convention year contact committee members by email & telephone to discuss possible AOA candidates. A list is compiled from suggestions from past years, committee, and Gesneriad Society members. Awardees are decided by the committee with no more than 3 a year. Standing rules state the criteria for selection. The candidates are contacted that they have been chosen for AOA and asked to fill in a AOA form giving us information to better present them with the award. At the Gesneriad Society annual membership meeting at convention the committee presents the AOA. The award is kept a secret until presented. AOA certificates personalized are presented, having been signed by GS president & AOA chair and embossed with the GS logo. All AOA are given life memberships, if not all ready life members! A report on the AOA awarded, including a short biography & picture of recipients, is prepared to be printed in "Gesneriads". A complete list of AOA is keep up to date on GS website. The chair shall buy a gift for the outgoing president.

The job description/committee process is up to date: yes

Replacement value for properties held: \$109.85

Current Suppliers and Contact Information: none

Activities/accomplishments during past year (2022): Awards of Appreciation were presented at the 2022 GS Convention in Tacoma, WA Annual Membership meeting to Sadie Barber and Hung Xuan Nguyen. Sadie was given Life Membership in the Gesneriad Society...Hung was already a Life Member.

Green activities/possible actions: Green activities/possible actions: communication between committee and award candidates via Email rather than expensive phone calls and US postage as we had done in the early years. The award certificates are done by computer each year at minimal cost.

Future plans/goals: Continue as per Gesneriad Society standing rules and job description to find qualified Gesneriad Award of Appreciation candidates each year

Last year's expenses (2022): GS Life membership to Sadie Barber, agreed to Green Option=\$450, printing certificates \$44.93.

Proposed budget for next year (2023: Expenses: ??? life membership for awardees as needed = \$375.00 US, \$450.00 other ... art supplies, printing and postage, gift outgoing president.
AOA 2023 budget requested =1,000.00
Income: none

Expected convention dates: July 2, 2023 to July 8, 2023