

Rye Driftwood Garden Club Announces Its 2021 Scholarships and Landscape Grants

Due to the current Covid 19 situation, Rye Driftwood Garden Club will not be holding meetings until further notice. Please visit our website <http://www.ryehgardenclub.org/> to get the latest update on our Club's activities and news.

Rye Driftwood Garden Club recently announced the recipients of its Scholarship Awards and Landscape Grants for 2021. Each year, the Club offers landscaping grants for properties on public view including businesses, civic spaces, senior centers, schools, churches, etc. The Club's Student Scholarships are available to organizations that incorporate some aspect of horticulture, conservation, or environmental study.

Despite the fact that the Club has not been able to generate any income during the pandemic year, Rye Driftwood Garden Club decided to continue its commitment to the area by awarding multiple landscape grants and scholarships.

Congratulations to the following wonderful organizations!

- Landscape Grant to the **Greenland Library** (Greenland, NH). A library addition is currently underway and the money will go for plantings to enhance the new entrance in the front of the library.
- Scholarship to **White Pine Programs** (York, ME) for NH Seacoast students ages 4 and up for summer horticulture camps, providing environmental educational experiences and understanding of a sustainable natural world. Examples of their programs include Forest Kindergarten, Wild Child Nature Club, and Ways of the Wild. Programs help forge personal resilience, nurture community, and promote care of nature.
- Scholarship to **Bedrock Gardens** (Lee, NH) to pilot emerging educational programs for children and provide scholarships for youth activities and educations, with the hopes of inspiring a new generation committed to horticulture and the arts. Bedrock Gardens is in the process of expanding and enhancing its gardens, structures, and parking facilities. Also, more educational opportunities are planned, and the Club's scholarship will allow disadvantaged students to participate and hopefully inspire attendees to make life and career choices related to the environment.
- Scholarship to **Monarch School of New England** (Rochester, NH) to continue to expand their Horticultural Therapy Garden programs for disabled and special students. Children from across the Seacoast area attend this special school which focuses on individual needs. The benefits of their horticulture garden have proven to assist students in multiple ways. This is the second year the school has received a scholarship from Rye Driftwood Garden Club.
- Scholarship to **The Seacoast Science Center** (Rye, NH) for environmental scholarships to disadvantaged Seacoast students for summer camps which explore the Seacoast and its importance. Programs include both indoor and outdoor activities, which enable them to continue offering camps especially during the summer of COVID.

Organizations interested in applying for a Landscaping Grant will find the 2022 application form and requirements on the Club's website after August 1, 2021 at: <https://www.ryenhgardenclub.org/landscape-grants> Grants must be received by November 1st for consideration.

Educational organizations interested in applying for Student Scholarships will also find information on the RDGC website and a form to apply after August 1st, 2021. For more information, visit the Club's website at: <https://www.ryenhgardenclub.org/scholarships>





