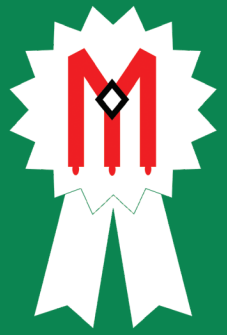


# '25 THEODORE KLEIN AWARDS



Each year a panel of Kentucky green industry professionals hunkers down and battles it out to see which plant nominees are deemed the Theodore Klein Award winners. These awards started back in 1999 and now add up to the go-to collection of woody and herbaceous garden plants for the region.

*For more information about current and past winners, scan the QR code.*



**Silver Linden**

(*Tilia tomentosa* 'Sterling')

A tree growing vigorously to 50' tall with a uniform outline, dense shade with leaves of deep green above and silver beneath, turning brilliant gold in fall. Late spring, creamy yellow flowers are sweetly fragrant. Super support for bees. Best in full sun.



**Giant Dogwood**

(*Cornus controversa* 'June Snow - JFS' June Snow™)

Stunning 20-30'-tall, broad spreading tree with attractive, horizontal branching. It is prized for its early summer, creamy white blooms that attract a wide range of pollinators and its excellent red/maroon fall foliage. Fall blue/black fruit are attractive to many birds. Grows best in full sun or part shade.



**Dwarf Nine Bark**

(*Physocarpus opulifolius* 'SMNPOTW' Tiny Wine®)

Dwarf, burgundy leaved selection of this North American native makes a dense, fine textured mound to 3-4' tall and wide. The dark foliage makes excellent contrast with late spring masses of lightly fragrant white/pink flowers. Tough, durable shrub that looks good all summer. Best in full sun or light shade.



**Dwarf Hinoki Falsecypress**

(*Chamaecyparis obtusa* dwarf cultivars)

Diverse group of low growing, sculptural, compact evergreens maturing at 3' to 8' depending on cultivar. Many varieties available with either bright or dark green or bright gold foliage. Best in full sun or light shade. Useful as a featured specimen, container plant, or in as a rock garden specimen.



**Blue Star Amsonia**

(*Amsonia tabernaemontana* 'Storm Cloud')

Native North American sun plant that forms dense masses of erect stems to about 3' tall, topped with sky blue flowers in spring. 'Storm Cloud' is a very vigorous form with deep, almost black stems and heavy flowering. Best in full sun and well-drained soil.



**Evergreen Solomon Seal**

(*Disporopsis pernyi*)

Stunning low groundcover to about 12" tall with evergreen (down to about 8° F) glossy, deep green leaves. Spring flowers are white/green bells to about 3/4" long, hanging below the foliage. Modest spreader, easy to grow with average moisture and full to light shade.