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GCA AWARD

LOY McCANDLESS MARKS SCHOLARSHIP

For well-qualified U.S. undergraduates (above the freshman year) or graduate students from U.S. colleges and universities to assist in their study of tropical horticulture at an appropriate foreign institution.

APPLICATION 2012-2013

APPLICATION AND ACCOMPANYING MATERIALS MUST BE IN THE NEW YORK OFFICE BY JANUARY 15

Please Type or Print

Name: _____

Permanent Address: _____

Phone: _____

Present Address: _____

Dates when you may be reached at this address: _____ Phone: _____ E-Mail: _____

PERSONAL DATA

Place of birth: _____ Sex Female Male

Social Security Number: (optional) _____ Citizenship: _____

Where did you learn about this scholarship? (Please check all that apply.)

Professor Name: _____ Department _____

University: _____

Internet Search method: _____

Grant directory Name: _____

Scholarship Service Name: _____

Other Specify: _____

EDUCATION

Present college/university: _____

Address: _____

Current grade level: _____ Anticipated graduation date: _____ Academic concentration: _____

Schools, universities, professional/technical schools attended:

Name of Institution:	Dates Attended	Year of Graduation	Degree obtained

Academic honors: _____

Scholarships/fellowships and dates: _____

Employment: (give dates) _____

Additional experience and activities: _____

Memberships: _____

Career goals/professional plans: _____

YOUR STUDY PLANS

Name of program: _____

Content of program: _____

Supervising institution and/or person and location: _____

Signature: _____ Date of Application: _____

ADDITIONAL INFORMATION REQUIRED

- 1. SHORT ESSAY:** Please tell us what you know about the program you have selected, how it fits into your future plans, how it meets the requirements of this scholarship, and what you hope to achieve during this program.
- 2. REFERENCES:** Please forward two letters of recommendation from your advisor and a professor in your major department. One should include comments on your academic progress and achievement, personal qualities, and eligibility for the program you have selected. The other should include information on the program you have selected and assurance that you have applied or are in the process of applying and can be accepted. *Note: The scholarship of \$4000 will be held by the GCA until the recipient notifies the Scholarship Committee that he/she has been accepted for the program to study at the foreign institution.*
- 3. TRANSCRIPT:** Please attach a copy of your official college and/or university transcript with your application.
- 4. BUDGET:** Please provide a one-page budget for the travel and study proposed. Although not required, it would be useful to the selection committee to know that the foreign institution is prepared to accept you should you receive the scholarship. If you can obtain such a letter please provide a copy to the committee. It may be sent separately but not before February 1.

Please do not alter or retype the application. Do not send any additional materials that are not required.

Mail application and accompanying materials to: (do not fax or e-mail)

**Loy McCandless Marks Scholarship
GCA Scholarship Committee
The Garden Club of America
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New York, NY 10022**

The Scholarship Committee will meet in March, applicants will be notified shortly thereafter.

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