

ADS Gold Medal 2013

Kathryn Andersen

George Dorner photograph

The American Daffodil Society's Gold Medal is given in recognition of accomplishment of a preeminent nature in the advancement of daffodils. A member of the ADS since 1967, this person has accomplished much in her years of membership. She has served as President, Vice President, Second Vice President, Secretary, Chair of Species Conservation, and Chair of Research, Health and Culture. She is an ADS Judge and Instructor and has served on many standing committees including those for revisions to the *Judging Handbook* and the *Daffodils to Show and Grow*.

She has given years of devotion to daffodils, and specifically to daffodil species. In 1988 she embarked on her first trip to Spain and has continued to visit various countries each year since, recruiting daffodilminded friends and family members to share her journeys of discovery. Many in the ADS have enjoyed her lectures and outstanding photography detailing her trips to see the species in their native habitat. Many of these observations were shared in *Daffodil Journal* articles. Today there is little question that she is one of the foremost experts in the world when it comes to species daffodils.

We are happy to award the Gold Medal to Kathy Andersen, a true ambassador for the daffodil and for the American Daffodil Society.