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AMERICAN DAFFODIL SOCIETY (ADS) 2021 SILVER MEDAL RECIPIENT ANNOUNCED!

**ADS Virtual National Convention** – Becky Fox Matthews from Brentwood, TN was awarded the 2021 American Daffodil Society Silver Medal on February 26, 2021, at the American Daffodil Society Virtual National Convention.

The American Daffodil Society Silver Medal may be awarded to an individual deemed by the Honors Committee as being worthy of recognition for outstanding service to the American Daffodil Society.

Becky Fox Matthews joined the American Daffodil Society in February of 2001. She is the Past President of the American Daffodil Society from 2012–2014, First VP from 2010–2011, Second VP from 2008–2009. She is the current ADS Media Programs Chair, Southeast Region Vice President, is a key organizer on The Daffodil Journal committee, an Accredited Daffodil Judge, and a Judges’ Instructor. Becky has represented the American Daffodil Society by serving as a daffodil judge at the 2008 RHS Daffodil Show in London, at the 2012 North Island Show in Hamilton, New Zealand, at the 2016 World Daffodil Show at St. Louis, Missouri, and at other ADS local and national shows.

Becky has also been a champion for Youth at the ADS. As past ADS Youth Chairman Becky submitted an article to the September 2005 edition of The Daffodil Journal that encouraged local daffodil societies to add Youth Divisions to their local Daffodil Show Schedules and to look for ways to encourage Youth with youth activity material available from the ADS.

Becky has worked on many projects and assignments throughout her service to the American Daffodil Society. She chaired the ADS Fall Forum in Nashville during 2008 and 2012 and was co-chair of a successful 2018 National Convention in Franklin, Tennessee with Susan Basham. Becky has a knack for getting involved with groundbreaking assignments at the ADS. She recently served on the Photography Show Committee for the first ADS Virtual Fall Forum in 2020.

Becky Fox Matthews has also served the Southeast Region as Past President of the Middle Tennessee Daffodil Society and their current Show Chair, Website and Newsletter Editor. In her spare time, she manages her one-acre garden in Brentwood, TN, which includes an astounding collection of over 16,000 daffodil bulbs of over 3,000 varieties.

We have only named a few of Becky’s acts of service to the American Daffodil Society. She has served the ADS with grace, insight, and leadership since 2001, and has been a mentor to many daffodil friends around the world. Ms. Matthews joins a prestigious group of individuals who have given, and continue to donate, their exceptional service to the American Daffodil Society.