



## AMERICAN ROSE SOCIETY THE KLIMA MEDAL

### Introduction

This award has been established at the express wish and consent of the late Joseph and Marion Klima of Fairfield, California to recognize the highest levels of excellence in the field of horticultural education concerning “The Rose.”

### Acts Worthy of Recognition

The following examples may be used as general guidance to identify those activities that are deemed worthy of nomination for consideration:

- A single act of achievement by an individual within the field of rose education or rose development that has a measurable profound or major global impact on the advancement of promoting rose education and furthering knowledge.
- Sustained volunteer performance by an individual over a decade or more of providing measurable high quality educational instruction and/or publication in the area of rose education deemed to be of such high caliber as to greatly advance the public’s perception and interest in roses.
- A significant single act of scientific development by an individual or team that provides a major advancement to the knowledge and evolutionary educational base of growing roses.
- Sustained lifetime achievement by an individual in devoting and focusing their educational talents and expertise to promoting “The Rose” through consistent and reliable contributions to educating the public about roses.

### Eligibility

Nominations are to be solicited from members of the American Rose Society and the international

horticultural community as Primary Sponsors. Nominees need not be members of the American Rose Society. No member of the Prizes & Awards Committee or members of their immediate family shall be considered for the award while serving on the Committee. Also, the President of the American Rose Society shall not be eligible for the Klima Medal award until one full year after their term of office has expired.

### Procedures for Nomination

The procedure to be followed in nomination of an individual or team is to complete the Nomination Form, attaching supporting documentation as described below, and arrange for two individuals to complete an Award Reference Form in support of the nomination. All materials must be received by:

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by September 30 of each calendar year. The ARS Prizes & Awards Committee will review the nomination documentation, and individually vote on a candidate on an annual basis via email (if possible) during October and reserves the right to request additional information in support of the nomination. Please note that application materials will not be returned.

### The Klima Award

The Award shall consist of a silver gilt medal and funding to travel to the ARS Spring Convention to receive the Award. The recipient will be required to deliver a plenary lecture to the delegates attending the Convention on the main theme for which the award was granted.