

2015 Stanley Johnson Medal

The American Dahlia Society (ADS) announces the 2015 winner of the Stanley Johnson medal – AC Abby – a flame colored B cactus dahlia.

This medal is presented annually by the ADS to the dahlia variety with the greatest number of higher awards – awards above blue ribbons – that have been accumulated during the previous season of flower shows across the United States and Canada.

In 2011 AC Abby was grown in six official ADS Trial Gardens where it earned an average score of 88.39 and the Derrill Hart medal. It is also a Lynn Dudley medal winner. Introduced in 2012 the variety has now received the Stanley Johnson medal for its 2015 list of awards. This award is designed to recognize excellence in the growing and showing of dahlias at the national level. A variety is eligible to win this medal only once.

Ken Greenway, the originator, is a lifetime resident of Snohomish, Washington. He is the owner and operator of Accent Dahlias where they grow over 400 dahlia varieties and several thousand dahlia cuttings on their $\frac{3}{4}$ acre property. Ken is a member of several Washington state dahlia societies and a past president of the Snohomish County Dahlia Society.

