



- 1995 *Magnolia virginiana* - *Coreopsis verticillata* 'Moonbeam'
- 1996 *Viburnum nudum* 'Winterthur' - *Echinacea purpurea* 'Bright star'
- 1997 *Clethra alnifolia* 'Hummingbird' - *Panicum virgatum* 'Heavy Metal'
- 1998 *Fothergilla gardenii* - *Amsonia montana*
- 1999 *Ilex verticillata* 'Sparkleberry' - *Gaura lindheimeri* 'Whirling Butterflies'
- 2000 *Nandina domestica* - *Solidago rugosa* 'Fireworks'
- 2001 *Hydrangea quercifolia* - *Sedum* 'Matrona'
- 2002 *Nyssa sylvatica* - *Helleborus xhybridus*
- 2003 *Cryptomeria japonica* 'Yoshino' - *Amsonia hubrichtii*
- 2004 *Magnolia grandiflora* 'Little Gem' - *Ceratostigma plumbaginoides*
- 2005 *Thuja plicata* 'Green Giant' - *Aster oblongifolius* 'October Skies'
- 2006 *Oxydendrum arboreum* - *Epimedium* ssp. and hybrids
- 2007 *Cercidiphyllum japonicum* - *Tricyrtis* 'Sinonome'
- 2008 *Rosa Knock Out*® series - *Echinacea BigSky*™ series
- 2009 *Amelanchier xgrandiflora* 'Autumn Brilliance' - *Nepeta xfaassenii* 'Walker's Low'
- 2010 *Quercus bicolor* - *Baptista xvariicolor* 'Twilite' PPAF
- 2011 *Aronia arbutifolia* 'Brilliantissima' - *Geranium* 'Gerwat' Rozanne®
- 2012 *Chionanthus virginicus* - *Dryopteris erythrosora*
- 2013 *Rhus aromatica* 'Gro-Low' - *Heuchera macrorrhiza* 'Autumn Bride'
- 2014 *Acer griseum* - *Polystichum acrostichoides*
- 2015 *Carpinus caroliniana* - *Eurybia divaricata* (*Aster divaricatus*)
- 2016 *Heptacodium miconioides* - *Asclepias tuberosa*
- 2017 *Taxodium distichum* - *Schizachyrium scoparium* 'Standing Ovation'
- 2018 *Asimina triloba* - *Dryopteris marginalis*
- 2019 *Physocarpus opulifolius* - *Packera aurea*
- 2020 *Vaccinium corymbosum* - *Epimedium x versicolor* 'Sulphureum'
- 2021 *Cercis canadensis* - *Hakonechloa macra*
- 2022 *Hamamelis virginiana* - *Iris versicolor* 'Purple Flame'
- 2023 *Cephalanthus occidentalis* - *Spigelia marilandica*
- 2024 *Aesculus parviflora* - *Chrysanthemum* 'Hillside Sheffield Pink'
- 2025 *Corylopsis spicata* 'Aurea' - *Aster laevis* 'Bluebird'