Sheridan Nurseries Receives International Award

Canada’s largest garden centre retailer and grower, Sheridan Nurseries has received the prestigious accolade of International Grower of the Year by the International Horticultural Producers Association (AIPH).

Beating off strong competition from renowned international horticultural companies, Sheridan Nurseries has been awarded the AIPH’s Golden Rose in the annual International Grower of the Year 2012 competition.

Karl. E. Stensson, President at Sheridan Nurseries said: “To receive an award of this stature is truly a magnificent honour for Sheridan Nurseries. This award is a result of passion, commitment and dedication by our entire team to achieve excellence across all areas of our business. To have all this hard work recognized amongst our international peers is something everyone at Sheridan Nurseries can be extremely proud of.”

Sheridan Nurseries was pre-selected by the AIPH International Jury to represent Canada in the annual Election of the International Grower of the Year contest after winning the impressive national Royal Bank of Canada Grower of the Year Award 2012 in February. In both award categories, the company was recognized for its innovative emphasis on new plant varieties each year, excellent human resource and educational policies, high quality and environmental standards, as well as its sustainable production policy and market place position.

This award comes just as Sheridan Nurseries is due to embark on its 100th year in business in 2013.

Karl added: “2013 marks a significant milestone for Sheridan Nurseries as we celebrate our 100th anniversary. As one of the few family owned businesses still operating in Canada after 100 years, we believe our success has become intrinsically linked to our standards of excellence and strong brand presence within the sector. I believe this award is a reflection of our company values and hard work over the last century. Here’s to another 100 years!”

The annual Election of the International Grower of the Year was held on September 13th 2012 in The Netherlands. Sheridan faced excellent competition from leading international nurseries including; Australia - Mansfield Propagation Nursery, Belgium - Potplantenwkekerij Dirk Mermels, Italy - Trapani Piance, The Netherlands - van den Berg Roses and the United Kingdom - Lovania Nurseries.

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Sheridan Nurseries
Sheridan Nurseries has been a grower and purveyor of quality plant material for the landscape industry and gardening public since 1913. With a proud heritage and legacy for innovation, Sheridan Nurseries has grown to be one of Canada's largest growers of hardy nursery plants and has nine Garden Centres in the Greater Toronto Area. Growing over 1200 cultivars of perennials and hardy nursery stock on 350 hectares in Halton Hills Ontario, Sheridan Nurseries ships 1.8 million plants annually to markets across North Eastern North America. Widely successful cultivars that Sheridan Nurseries has introduced to the industry include; Green Velvet™ Boxwood, Green Gem™ Boxwood, Ivory Silk® Japanese Tree Lilac and DeGroot’s Spire Cedar.

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The International Horticultural Producers Association (AIPH) is a coordinating body representing horticultural producers' organizations all over the world. It was set up in Switzerland in 1948 to stimulate international marketing of flowers, plants and landscaping services. An increasing number of growers organizations have joined AIPH with 25 countries represented in 2000.

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