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AmericanHort Announces 2018 HortScholars

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AmericanHort encourages and supports students as they aspire to a diverse array of horticulture careers. The HortScholars program aims to identify these future leaders and give them a platform to network, grow and work at Cultivate'18.

"AmericanHort received an unprecedented number of applicants from across the country to the HortScholars program this year," said Mary Beth Cowardin, AmericanHort's Vice President of Marketing & Member Engagement. "This program has become very competitive and we take this as a positive indication that the younger generation is indeed interested in establishing a career in horticulture."

The AmericanHort HortScholars Program sets students in horticulture on a path to success by exposing them to the breadth of the horticulture industry, its opportunities and its leaders. The program chooses six applicants each year and offers a beyond-the-classroom experience.

The 2018 HortScholars are:

- Carly Dalton—Horticultural technician, Niagara Parks School of Horticulture, Canada
- Melissa Eggleston—Horticultural science, minor in agribusiness management, Michigan State University
- Coralie Farinas—Plant pathology, PhD candidate, The Ohio State University
- Rhiannon Newton—Horticulture, West Virginia University
- Raymond Odeh—Horticultural science, Masters, University of Florida
- Aaron Sledge—Horticulture, plant production emphasis, Pennsylvania College of Technology

To learn more about the HortScholars Program and this year's HortScholars, visit AmericanHort.org/HortScholars.

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