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Sydney B. Meadows Scholarships Awarded to 12

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One of the best opportunities for students studying nursery production in the South is The Sydney B. Meadows Scholarship Fund. This fund was created by the now disbanded Southern Nursery Association in 1989 and has awarded hundreds of scholarships to worthy students over the past 34 years. Many industry leaders have received this award supporting students in undergraduate and graduate programs. This year, 12 highly deserving students received the prestigious award, and as an industry, we're lucky to have each and every one of them.

- Ramsey Arram—North Carolina State University, The Art & Millie Lancaster Scholarship
- Kristopher S. Criscione—Louisiana State University, The James & Faye Foret Scholarship
- Landon Erbrick—Auburn University, The Sally Smith Scholarship
- Haley Jacobs—Oklahoma State University
- Kayla Morrison—Oklahoma State University
- Brooks Parrish—University of Florida, The Richard J. Hackney Scholarship
- Jenny Ryals—Mississippi State University, The Lee C. Howell Scholarship
- Brandon Shur—North Carolina State University, The Arthur A. "Buck" Jones Scholarship
- Charlotte Simmons—Tennessee Technological University, The Dr. Bryson L. James Scholarship
- Josh Tebow—University of Arkansas
- Laura Whaley—University of Tennessee
- Tyler Williamson—University of Georgia, The Robert L. Vanlandingham Scholarship

Created in 1989 by the Southern Nursery Association, The Sidney B. Meadows Scholarship Endowment Fund is a 501 (c) 3 corporation providing scholarships to students who are residents of these 16 southeastern states—Alabama, Arkansas, Florida, Georgia, Kentucky, Louisiana, Maryland, Mississippi, Missouri, North Carolina, Oklahoma, South Carolina, Tennessee, Texas, Virginia and West Virginia—pursuing a career in horticulture. The scholarship is dedicated to the late Sidney B. Meadows, a past president of the Southern Nursery Association, who believed that providing financial aid for students was an important way to ensure the growth and development of all facets of the industry.

With this year's awards, the fund has awarded a total of \$626,000 since the fund was established in 1989. The fund's current assets are now more than \$950,000.

Check out sbmsef.org for more information on past winners and future scholarships. **GT**