







# Gleanings

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Welcome to the latest issue of **Gleanings**! This issue includes photos of gesneriads at the African Violet Society of America Convention Flower Show, Janet Carlton's tips for making streptocarpus bouquets, and 2019 convention information.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!** 

Mel Grice, Editor

Wayne Geeslin from Sugar Land, Texas, USA, exhibited the Best in Show plant on the right, Saintpaulia 'Buckeye Nostalgia' at the recent African Violet Society of America Convention in Houston, Texas. This plant was hybridized by Pat Hancock from Ohio. See more gesneriads from the show on the following pages.



# Photos From The African Violet Society of America Convention Show



Chrysothemis pulchella 'Bronze' Best other gesneriad in show Robert McMeel

#### Mel Grice photos



Sinningia tuberosa Bill Price





Saintpaulia 'Cool Blue' Kathy Lahti



Episcia 'Pink Panther' Geneva Stagg



Streptocarpus 'Heartland's White Gold'
Mary McFarland
Mel Grice photos



Sinningia 'Ozark Rosy Cheeks' Penny Smith-Kerker



Primulina tabacum Bobbi Johannsen



*Primulina maciejewskii* Ron Davidson

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*Primulina atropurpurea* Ron Davidson



Primulina 'Jade Moon' - Dolores Gibbs

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Pearcea hypocyrtiflora - Mary Corondan



*Primulina dryas* 'Hisako' Bobbi Johannsen



Saintpaulia 'Rob's Boolaroo' Sue Melson



Nautilocalyx species Kathy Spissman



Columnea hirta 'Light Prince' Bobbi Johannsen

Mel Grice photos

# Streptocarpus Bouquets

Janet Carlton janet.carlton@verizon.net

Not everyone realizes that streptocarpus blooms are versatile and can be enjoyed both on the plant and as cut flowers. They often last two to three weeks in water and can be mixed with other flowers or greenery to make delightful tiny bouquets. Don't waste those blooms you take off of seedlings enjoy them in small vases in your office or any other location where they can add "happiness" to your day. A great place to buy small vases is at your local thrift store where you can often find an assortment for just a few dollars.

Janet Carlton photos

This article appeared in a slightly different form in **Petal Tones**, Vol. 50, No. 2, February 2019, Donna Beverin, Editor. **Petal Tones** is the newsletter of the National Capital Area Chapter of The Gesneriad Society. editor@nationalcapitalgesneriads. org or petaltones@gmail.com





# The 63rd Annual Convention of The Gesneriad Society July 1 to July 6, 2019



## **Online Registration Now Open**

Convention organizers are hard at work developing sessions to welcome Flower Show newcomers and first (and second)-time convention attendees.

Some of this year's additions include:

- Expanded show hours
- Frequent screenings of the webinar "Introduction to the Gesneriads" and
- "Hands on Gesneriad" sessions geared toward newcomers and first time Convention attendees.

Individual plant culture sheets will be available at the show as well as membership information and general growing guidelines.

Flower Show	Friday Saturday	2:30-6:30 8:30-3:00
Plant Sales	Friday Saturday	9:00-6:00 8:30-3:00
Intro to the Gesneriads	Friday Saturday	10:00, 12:00, 2:00 10:00, 12:00, 2:00
Hands On Gesneriads	Friday Saturday Saturday	3:30-4:00 11:45-12:15 2:30-3:00

Be sure to check the convention schedule for locations and possible changes.

We look forward to seeing you in Cincinnati!





Loran Gibson photo

Come dressed for Convention when you order the official 2019 Convention Logo t-shirt now! This cotton t-shirt is comfortable, soft and pre-shrunk. It's made of 100% ring-spun cotton with double stitched sleeves and bottom hem. The 2019 Convention Logo, with the iconic smokestacks of the Great American Ballpark and Cincinnati's flying pigs, adorns the front of the t-shirt. Place your order at <a href="https://shop.gesneriads.org/collections/apparel/products/2019-convention-logo-short-sleeve-t-shirt">https://shop.gesneriads.org/collections/apparel/products/2019-convention-logo-short-sleeve-t-shirt</a> and allow one week for production and delivery. This t-shirt will not be available at Convention so order yours now!



Mel Grice photo



Many convention attendees will be wearing flying pigs socks during the convention. Numerous companies sell them on <a href="mailto:amazon.com">amazon.com</a> — just search for "flying pigs socks" and choose your favorite style.

Elizabeth Varley models one version in the photo on the left.



### From the editor —

Looking forward to seeing you all in July 2019 at the 63rd Annual Gesneriad Society Convention in Cincinnati, Ohio! It is going to be quite a celebration!

If you have suggestions, comments, or items for possible inclusion in future issues, please feel free to contact me at melsgrice@gmail.com

#### Mel

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