

# 2008 Convention Program

## Tuesday, July 1

10:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Board of Directors Meeting
12:00 p.m. - 2:45 p.m.	Committee Meetings and Lunch
3:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting
8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting (if required)
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Convention Registration and Information
6:00 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Convention Registration and Information (Flower Show entry forms and soil samples for pH accepted)

## Wednesday, July 2

7:15 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Convention Registration and Information (Flower Show entry forms and soil samples for pH accepted)
7:30 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Convention Opening Breakfast and Welcome by Convention Committee and Gesneriad Society President
8:30 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Newsletter Editors Meeting
9:00 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.	Judges Training, Session 1 (pre-registration and Gesneriad Society membership required) Novice / Intermediate and Advanced / Workshop
12:30 p.m. - 2:15 p.m.	Judges Training, Session 2, All Levels
2:30 p.m. - 3:30 p.m.	Judges Interest Group Meeting
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Chapter Presidents Meeting with Society President and C&A Chair (open to chapter/affiliate presidents or delegates)
4:00 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Convention Registration and Information (Flower Show entry forms and soil samples for pH accepted)
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Judges Test
4:30 p.m. - 5:30 p.m.	Future Conventions Meeting
5:45 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Host Chapter Reception
6:45 p.m. - 8:00 p.m.	Buffet Dinner Honoring Chapters and Members-at-large
8:15 p.m. - 10:00 p.m.	Gesneriad Hybridizers Association Meeting (open to all) Program: "Hybridizing Miniature Sinningias" by David Harris

## Thursday, July 3

8:00 a.m. - 8:30 a.m.	Convention Registration and Information (final submission of entry forms; soil samples for pH accepted)
8:30 a.m. - 8:45 a.m.	Board Buses for Tour (depart at 8:45 a.m. promptly)
8:45 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.	Trip to Denver Botanic Gardens only
8:45 a.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Trip to Hudson Gardens (with lunch) and Denver Botanic Gardens
3:30 p.m. - 6:30 p.m.	Flower Show Entries
4:00 p.m. - 6:00 p.m.	Auction Donations Accepted
6:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m.	Convention Registration and Information (final opportunity to submit soil samples for pH)
7:30 p.m. - 8:15 p.m.	Internet Communications/Gesneriphiles Meeting
8:15 p.m. - 8:45 p.m.	Sales of Publications and Promotional Items
9:00 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Early Entry Plant Sales (entry by registration number)
9:30 p.m. - 11:00 p.m.	Plant Sales

## Friday, July 4

6:00 a.m. - 6:45 a.m.	Flower Show Late Entries (with permission of Show Chair)
7:00 a.m. - 7:30 a.m.	Breakfast for Judges, Clerks and Show Personnel only
7:30 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Flower Show Judging
9:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.	Convention Registration and Information
9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	Plant, Seed, Promo and Publications sales; Auction viewing
12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.	Annual Membership Meeting and Luncheon: President Peter Shalit presiding; Awards of Appreciation; Election of Directors
1:45 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.	Flower Show and Plant Sales open; Auction viewing
2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Lecture #1: "Gesneriads in the Garden" by Marilyn Allen (BC, Canada) and Jonathan Ertelt (Tennessee)
3:30 p.m. - 4:30 p.m.	Lecture #2: "New Gesneriads from the Rainforests of Ecuador" by John L. Clark (Alabama)
6:30 p.m. - 7:30 p.m.	Cocktail Hour
7:30 p.m. - 9:15 p.m.	Flower Show Awards Banquet (Awards Chair: Jo Anne Martinez)
9:15 p.m. - 10:30 p.m.	Flower Show open

## Saturday, July 5

7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Photographers only in Show Room
7:00 a.m. - 8:00 a.m.	Board of Directors Breakfast Meeting
8:00 a.m. - 9:00 a.m.	Flower Show Judges Critique (for judges and clerks who participated in the 2008 Flower Show)
8:30 a.m. - 9:30 a.m.	Convention Registration and Information
9:15 a.m. - 10:15 a.m.	Lecture #3: "An Update on the Systematics and Evolution of <i>Saintpaulia</i> and <i>Streptocarpus</i> " by James F. Smith (Idaho)
9:00 a.m. - 11:45 a.m.	Auction Viewing
9:00 a.m. - 12:00 noon	Flower Show and Plant Sales open; Seed, Promo and Publications Sales open
10:30 a.m. - 11:30 p.m.	Lecture #4: "Growing and Exhibiting African Violet Species" by Linda Golubski (Missouri)
11:45 a.m.	Silent Auction Closes
12:15 p.m. - 2:00 p.m.	Luncheon Honoring Commercial Growers; Live Auction (Auction Chair: Suzie Larouche)
2:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.	Flower Show open and final Plant Sales
2:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Phyto Inspector available
2:15 p.m. - 3:15 p.m.	Auction Settlement (live and silent)
3:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.	Flower Show and Plant Sales breakdown
5:00 p.m. - 5:15 p.m.	Board Buses for Tour and Dinner (depart promptly at 5:15 p.m.)
5:15 p.m. - 9:30 p.m.	Trip to the Denver Downtown Aquarium and dinner on your own