

2014 Convention Program

"See Beautiful Tennessee"

Monday, June 30

8:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m. Pre-Convention All-Day Tour to Shadow Nursery

Tuesday, July 1

8:00 a.m. – 11:15 a.m. Board of Directors Meeting
9:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. Convention Registration/Information/Promo Sales
11:30 a.m. – 11:45 a.m. Board Buses for Trip
11:45 a.m. – 4:30 p.m. Visit to Opryland conservatory and atrium (lunch on own)
5:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m. Convention Registration/Information
(flower show entry forms accepted)
6:00 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Opening Dinner and Welcome
7:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Growers Forum (open to all)
8:30 p.m. – 10:00 p.m. Host Chapter Social

Wednesday, July 2

7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m. Convention Registration/Information
(flower show entry forms accepted)
8:30 a.m. – 9:15 a.m. Mini Program
9:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon Judges Training, Session 1
Workshop/Advanced/Novice
12:00 noon – 1:15 p.m. Luncheon honoring chapters/members
1:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m. Judges Training, Session 2
3:30 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. Judges Interest Group Meeting
4:15 p.m. – 5:15 p.m. Chapter Presidents Meeting
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Judges Test
5:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m. Convention Registration/Information/Promo Sales
(final flower show entry forms accepted)
7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m. GHA Meeting and Program (open to all)
9:30 p.m. – 10:30 p.m. Conservation Meeting and Program (open to all)

Thursday, July 3

8:00 a.m. – 9:00 a.m. Convention Registration/Information
9:00 a.m. – 12:00 noon Flower Show Entries
1:30 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. Auction Items Accepted
2:30 p.m. – 3:45 p.m. Mini-Presentations by Students
4:00 p.m. – 5:00 p.m. Lecture #1 "Vietnam and Gesneriads—Mystery Upon
Mystery" (Dr. Wen Fang)
5:00 p.m. – 5:30 p.m. Convention Registration/Information
5:30 p.m. – 7:15 p.m. Membership Meeting and Dinner
7:45 p.m. – 8:45 p.m. Lecture #2 "Gesneriads at the Atlanta Botanical Garden"
(Michael Wenzel)
8:45 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Sale of Publications and Promo Items
9:00 p.m. – 9:30 p.m. Early Plant Sales
(entry by registration number)
9:30 p.m. – 11:00 p.m. Plant Sales

Friday, July 4

6:30 a.m. – 7:00 a.m.	Late Show Entries (only with permission)
7:00 a.m. – 8:00 a.m.	Breakfast (and judging instructions)
8:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Flower Show Judging
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Convention Registration/Information
9:00 a.m. – 6:00 p.m.	Sales Open and Auction Viewing
2:30 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Flower Show Open
3:30 p.m. – 5:00 p.m.	Board of Directors Meeting
5:00 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Mini Program
5:45 p.m. – 6:30 p.m.	Convention Registration/Information
6:00 p.m.	Silent Auction Closes
6:30 p.m. – 7:30 p.m.	Cocktail Hour
7:30 p.m. – 9:15 p.m.	Flower Show Awards Banquet: Paul Lee
9:15 p.m. – 11:00 p.m.	Flower Show Open

Saturday, July 5

6:30 a.m. – 7:30 a.m.	Photographers Only in Show Room
7:30 a.m. – 8:30 a.m.	Flower Show Judges Critique (only for this year's judges/clerks)
8:30 a.m. – 9:00 a.m.	Convention Registration/Information
8:30 a.m. – 12:00 noon	Sales Open
8:30 a.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Flower Show Open
9:00 a.m. – 10:00 a.m.	Lecture #3 "Why Most <i>Paradrymonia</i> and <i>Nautilocalyx</i> Species Must Change Their Names" (Marcela Mora)
10:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m.	Lecture #4 "Sharing My Methods of Propagating Gesneriads" (Mel Grice)
12:30 p.m. – 2:15 p.m.	Luncheon and Live Auction
2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Phyto Inspector Available
2:30 p.m. – 3:00 p.m.	Final Plant Sales Open
2:30 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.	Auction Settlement (live and silent)
3:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m.	Sales and Auction Breakdown Flower Show Breakdown
5:15 p.m. – 5:45 p.m.	Gather in Lobby to Walk to Dinner
6:00 p.m. – 9:00 p.m.	Dinner at BB King's Restaurant and Blues Club

Additional Convention Information

Visit The Gesneriad Society website www.gesneriadsociety.org for additional information about the convention.

Nashville International Airport Transportation

The Nashville International Airport is located just eight miles from the hotel, about a 15-minute ride with normal traffic. Taxis and private transport companies are available to transfer guests between the airport and downtown hotels. (The 2013 one-way taxi rate was \$20 and the Super Shuttle rate was \$17.)