

2018 CONVENTION FLOWER SHOW AWARDS

DIVISION AND SWEEPSTAKES AWARDS

- SWEEPSTAKES IN HORTICULTURE – Brandon Erikson with eight blue ribbons – an award from the New England Chapter in memory of Jessie Crisafulli
- RUNNER-UP TO SWEEPSTAKES IN HORTICULTURE – Barb Borleske with six blue ribbons – an award from Stuart Hammer
- BEST IN HORTICULTURE – Collection of *Primulina* exhibited by Bill Price – an award from the Long Island Gesneriad Society in memory of Beryl Wood and Eileen Montgomery
- RUNNER-UP TO BEST IN HORTICULTURE – *Mandirola ichthyostoma* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award from Bill Price in honor of Arleen Dewell, Winston Goretsky, Paul Kroll, Ben Paternoster, and Dave Zaitlin
- SWEEPSTAKES IN ARTISTIC – Karyn Cichocki with five blue ribbons – an award from the African Violet and Gesneriad Society of Western New York in honor of Paul Kroll for all he does to support the club in the education and culture of gesneriads
- BEST IN ARTISTIC – "POP Music" arrangement exhibited by Paul Kroll – an award from Winston Goretsky and an award from the Delaware African Violet and Gesneriad Society
- RUNNER-UP TO BEST IN ARTISTIC – Natural Garden exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award from Linda Hall in memory of Doris Brown, an award from Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin, an award from Jo Anne Martinez, and an award from Larry Skog in honor of Lee Linett
- SWEEPSTAKES IN THE ARTS – Winston Goretsky with four blue ribbons – an award from Winston Goretsky and an award from the San Francisco Gesneriad Society in honor of Larry Williams and David Waugh
- BEST IN THE ARTS – *Episcia* 'Limeade' a color print exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award from the Vancouver African Violet and Gesneriad Club and an award from the Puget Sound Gesneriad Society in memory of Carol Ann Bonner
- RUNNER-UP TO BEST IN THE ARTS – *Oreocharis maximowiczii* a color print exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award from the Tampa Bay Gesneriad Society and an award from Larry Skog in honor of Lee Linett
- BEST COMMERCIAL/EDUCATIONAL – "The Species of *Ramonda*" an educational exhibit by Michael Riley – an award from Leonard Re and an award from Paul Susi in honor of Judy Becker
- RUNNER-UP TO BEST COMMERCIAL/EDUCATIONAL – "*Primulina chizhouensis*" an educational exhibit by Stephen Maciejewski – an award from Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens

SECTION AWARDS

- BEST IN SECTION A – NEW WORLD TUBEROUS GESNERIAD IN FLOWER – *Sinningia nivalis* 'Urubici' exhibited by Dee Stewart – an award from the Greater New York Gesneriad Society in honor of present and past members of the Greater New York Gesneriad Society
- BEST IN SECTION B – NEW WORLD RHIZOMATOUS GESNERIAD IN FLOWER – *Mandirola ichthyostoma* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award from the Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society in honor of Quentin Schlieder
- BEST IN SECTION C – NEW WORLD FIBROUS-ROOTED GESNERIAD IN FLOWER – *Nematanthus albus* exhibited by Rick Fadden – an award from the Greater New York Gesneriad Society in honor of present and past members of the Greater New York Gesneriad Society
- BEST IN SECTION D – OLD WORLD GESNERIAD IN FLOWER – Saintpaulia 'Tiny Wood Trail' exhibited by Bill Schmidt – an award from the Long Island Gesneriad Society in honor of Ray Annabel
- BEST IN SECTION E – GESNERIAD GROWN FOR ORNAMENTAL QUALITIES – *Primulina dryas* 'Naine Argente' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award from Maureen Pratt
- BEST IN SECTION F – NEW GESNERIAD – *Kohleria* 'Bud's Strawberry Shortcake' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from the Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society in honor of all gesneriad researchers out there searching for new gesneriads
- BEST IN SECTION G – LESSER-KNOWN GESNERIAD – *Centrosolenia coccineus* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award from the Northern Illinois Gesneriad Society
- BEST IN SECTION I – GESNERIAD GROWN BY A NOVICE – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves Jerry' exhibited by Jerry O'Keefe – an award from Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens
- BEST IN SECTION J – COLLECTION OF GESNERIADS – a collection of *Primulina* exhibited by Bill Price – an award from Julie Mavity-Hudson in memory of Carol Ann Bonner, BFF, much missed
- BEST IN SECTION K – ARRANGEMENTS OF FRESH-CUT GESNERIAD MATERIAL – "POPham Beach" exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award from Sylvia Svitak in honor of Eileen McGrath
- BEST IN SECTION L – ARRANGEMENT OF DRIED AND/OR GROWING MATERIAL – "POPS" exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award from Molly Schneider in honor of Richard Schneider who waters the plants
- BEST IN SECTION M – PLANTING OF GROWING MATERIAL – A Natural Garden exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award from Laura Bucker in honor of Paul Kroll
- BEST IN SECTION O – PHOTOGRAPHY – Color print (parts of a plant) of *Episcia* 'Limeade' exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an endowed award from the Crisafulli Family in memory of Jessie and Anthony Crisafulli
- BEST IN SECTION P – ARTS AND CRAFTS REPRESENTING GESNERIADS – Bunka Shishu embroidery of *Primulina* 'Diane Marie' by Ruth Cameron – an award from the Tennessee Gesneriad Society in memory of Carol Ann Bonner, a loyal member and former president of the Tennessee Gesneriad Society
- BEST IN SECTION R – EDUCATIONAL EXHIBIT – "The Species of *Ramonda*" exhibited by Michael Riley – an award from the Heart of America Gesneriad Society in memory of Doris Carson

SPECIAL AWARDS

- Best Achimenes – *Achimenes misera* exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from Julie Mavity-Hudson in honor of Molly Schneider, a woman with a great heart
- Best Columnea – *Columnea moorei* exhibited by Carolyn Ripps – an award from the Gloxinia Gesneriad Growers in honor of Miriam Denham
- Best Episcia – *Episcia* 'Cleopatra' exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award from Sally Robinson in honor of Jo Anne Martinez
- Best Kohleria – *Kohleria* species 'Selby' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award from Hung Nguyen
- Best Primulina – *Primulina* sp. nov. exhibited by Bill Price – an award from Irina Nicholson in honor of Bill Price
- Best Saintpaulia – Saintpaulia 'Tiny Wood Trail' exhibited by Bill Schmidt – an award from Bill Price in honor of all his "Toronto gesneriad friends" – Doris Brownlie, Emma Bygott, Paul Lee, Julie Thompson, Sue and Pat Smith, Bev and Bruce Williams
- Best Sinningia – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves Paul' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award from Levin Tilghman
- Best Streptocarpus – *Streptocarpus* 'Jaco's Gem' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from the Edmonton Gesneriad Society
- Best Brandon Erikson Hybrid – *Kohleria* 'Bud's Strawberry Shortcake' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from Mel Grice in honor of Brandon Erikson
- Best Dale Martens Hybrid – *Streptocarpus* 'Iced Pink Flamingo' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award from Mary Schaeffer in honor of her webinar teammates: Dale Martens, Alcie Maxwell, and Paul Susi
- Best David Harris Hybrid – *Sinningia* 'Ozark Sentimental Journey' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award from Dale Martens in honor of The Gesneriad Society's Webinar Team
- Best Jay Sespico Hybrid – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves Paul' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award from Irina Nicholson in honor of Paul Kroll
- Best John Boggan Hybrid – *Kohleria* 'Silver Feather' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award from Susan Grose in honor of Paul Susi, past president, Membership Promotion Chair, webinar organizer and contributor, and Flower Show Awards presenter
- Best Peridots Hybrid – *Kohleria* 'Peridots Rolo' exhibited by Jerry O'Keefe – an award from Arleen Dewell in honor of Ben Paternoster and Paul Kroll
- Best Peter Shalit Hybrid – *Primulina* 'Loki' exhibited by Ron Myhr – an award from Bob Clark
- Best Gesneriad Exhibiting Fruit – *Columnea hirta* 'Light Prince' exhibited by Carolyn Ripps – an endowed award from the Frelinghuysen Arboretum Gesneriad Society in memory of Maryjane Evans
- Best Gesneriad Grown by a First-Time Convention Exhibitor – *Sinningia* 'Isa's Jupiter' exhibited by Jeremy Stevens – an award from the African Violet and Gesneriad Society of Western New York in honor of Paul Kroll in appreciation for all he does to support their club in the education and culture of gesneriads
- Best New Hybrid – *Kohleria* 'Bud's Strawberry Shortcake' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from Brandon Erikson in honor of Tom Bruning, a constant beacon for the society
- Best New Species – *Primulina lepingensis* exhibited by Wallace Wells – an award from Marilyn Heinrich
- Best Recently Registered Hybrid – *Primulina* 'Loki' exhibited by Ron Myhr – an award from the Gesneriad Hybridizers Association
- Best Scented Gesneriad – *Nematanthus albus* exhibited by Rick Fadden – an award from Donna Guiliano in memory of Rose Fritz, her great aunt who first introduced her to African violets as a child
- Best South American Species other than Sinningia – *Mandirola ichthyostoma* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award from Elizabeth Varley in memory of Hans Wiehler
- Judges Award of Merit – *Chautemsia calcicola* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award from Laura Buckner in honor of Bill Price
- Judges Award of Merit – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves China' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award from Fay Wagman in honor of Barbara Festenstein and Paul Susi and in memory of Irwin Wagman
- Judges Award of Merit – *Streptocarpus* 'Partly Sunny' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award from Susan Grose in honor of Bob Clark, Membership Secretary, who documents new members, sends lists of them to chapter reps and sends out new member packets and in honor of Peter Shalit, past president, former pubs chair and recording secretary and currently an excellent editor of *Gesneriads*

CLASS AWARDS

SECTION A — New World Gesneriads in Flower – Tuberos

- Class 2 – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves China' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award sponsored by Joan Wood in honor of Leonard Re
- Class 3 – *Sinningia pusilla* 'White Sprite' exhibited by Betsy Sherwin – an award sponsored by Barbara Stewart
- Class 4A – *Sinningia* 'Bud's Carol Ann' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Jo Anne Martinez
- Class 4B – *Sinningia* 'JS Erotica' exhibited by Jeremy Stevens – an award sponsored by Joan Wood
- Class 4C – *Sinningia* 'Bud's Shanidar' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Levin Tilghman
- Class 4D – *Sinningia* 'Bud's Lilith' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Paul Susi in honor of Mary Helen Maran
- Class 5 – *Sinningia nivalis* 'Urubici' exhibited by Dee Stewart – an award sponsored by Jo Anne Martinez
- Class 6A – *Sinningia* 'Prudence Risley' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by Nancy and Jerry Kast, in memory of their son Mark
- Class 6B – *Sinningia* 'Polka Punch' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by Paul Susi in honor of Karyn Cichocki

SECTION B — New World Gesneriads in Flower – Rhizomatous

- Class 8 – *Achimenes misera* exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Barb Festenstein in memory of Irwin Wagman
- Class 9A – *Kohleria* 'Napoleon V' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award sponsored by Susan Grose in memory of Carol Ann Bonner and

in appreciation for her years of many contributions to The Gesneriad Society as a past president, wearer of many hats, and an especially talented gesneriad pin and tee-shirt designer

Class 9B – *Kohleria* species 'Selby' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award sponsored by Ben Paternoster in honor of Mary Bozoian

Class 12 – *Mandirola ichthyostoma* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award sponsored by the Metro St. Louis African Violet Council

Class 13 – *Chautemsia calcicola* exhibited by Nancy Kast – an award sponsored by Steve Kerr

SECTION C — New World Gesneriads in Flower – Fibrous–Rooted

Class 14 – *Codonanthus* 'Vista' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Ben Paternoster in honor of Tom Bruning

Class 16 – *Alsobia punctata* exhibited by Ron Myhr – an award sponsored by The Toronto African Violet and Gesneriad Society in memory of Jim Bodnar

Class 18 – *Nematanthus albus* exhibited by Rick Fadden – an award sponsored by Wallace Wells

SECTION D — Old World Gesneriads in Flower

Class 23 – *Primulina tabacum* exhibited by Paul Susi – an award sponsored by Bill Price in honor of Paul Kroll

Class 24 – *Primulina* 'Jade Moon' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by M. J. Tyler in memory of Helen Bortvedt

Class 26 – *Saintpaulia ionanthus* ssp. *grotei confusa* exhibited by Maureen Pratt – an award sponsored by Eileen McGrath in memory of John Cook

Class 27 – *Saintpaulia* 'Honey Blue Angel' exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award sponsored by The Gloxinia Gesneriad Growers in memory of Marvin Hutcheson, late husband of long-time chapter member Bonita Hutcheson

Class 28 – *Saintpaulia* 'Orchard's Bumble Magnet' exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award sponsored by Patty Daniel in memory of Kent Stork

Class 30 – *Saintpaulia* 'Tiny Wood Trail' exhibited by Bill Schmidt – an award sponsored by the North Coast Gesneriad and African Violet Club

Class 32A – *Streptocarpus* 'Jaco's Gem' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Jo Anne Martinez

Class 32B – *Streptocarpus* 'Partly Sunny' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Mary Bozoian in memory of Anne Crowley

Class 33 – *Streptocarpus* 'Iced Pink Flamingo' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by Jo Anne Martinez

SECTION E — Gesneriads Grown for Ornamental Qualities Other Than Flowers

Class 36 – *Episcia* 'Cleopatra' exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award sponsored by the Toronto African Violet and Gesneriad Society in memory of Jim Bodnar

Class 37A – *Primulina longgangensis* exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by Jill Fischer in memory of Maryjane Evans and Norma Chenkin

Class 37B – *Primulina dryas* 'Naine Argente' exhibited by Barb Borleske – an award sponsored by Ben Paternoster in honor of Bill Price

Class 38 – *Columnea hirta* 'Light Prince' exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award sponsored by the Delaware African Violet and Gesneriad Society

Class 39 – *Pearcea hypocyrtiflora* exhibited by Stephen Maciejewski – an award sponsored by Betsy Gottshall in honor of Paul Susi

SECTION F — New Gesneriads: Introductions made within the last 5 years

Class 42 – *Primulina lepingensis* exhibited by Wallace Wells – an award sponsored by Heidi Dillenbeck in honor of Paul Kroll

Class 43A – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves Paul' exhibited by Jay Sespico – an award sponsored by Arleen Dewell in honor of Mary Bozoian

Class 43B – *Kohleria* 'Bud's Strawberry Shortcake' exhibited by Brandon Erikson – an award sponsored by Laura Buckner in honor of the great webinar committee: Mary Schaeffer, Dale Martens, Paul Susi and Alcie Maxwell

SECTION G — Lesser-Known Gesneriads Seldom Grown or Seen in Shows

Class 46 – *Columnea moorei* exhibited by Carolyn Ripps – an award sponsored by Beverley Williams

SECTION I — Gesneriads Grown by a Novice

Class 48 – *Sinningia* 'Rock Loves Jerry' exhibited by Jerry O'Keefe – an award sponsored by Steve Kerr

Class 49 – *Episcia* 'Spring Fling' exhibited by Jerry O'Keefe – an award sponsored by Heidi Dillenbeck

SECTION J — Collections of Gesneriads

Class 50 – Collection of *Primulina*: *P. huangii*, *P. leprosa*, *P. petrocsmoides*, *P. pseudoyungfuensis*, *P. sp. nov.* exhibited by Bill Price – an award sponsored by Barb Borleske

SECTION K — Arrangements of Fresh-Cut Gesneriad Material

Class 53 – "Snap, Crackle and POP" exhibited by Mary Schaeffer – an award sponsored by the Delaware African Violet and Gesneriad Society

Class 54 – "POPham Beach" exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award sponsored by the North Coast African Violet and Gesneriad Club

Class 55 – "Balloons Go POP" exhibited by Judy Zinni – an award sponsored by Jill Fischer in honor of Karyn Cichocki, webinar partner

Class 56 – "LolliPOP" exhibited by Amanda Buckner – an award sponsored by Jill Fischer in honor of Mary Lou Robbins, Gussie Farrice, and Jeanne Katzenstein

Class 57 – "POP on the Fourth of July" exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award sponsored by Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens

Class 58 – "Bubble Wrap POP" exhibited by Mel Grice – an award sponsored by the Caribbean Basin African Violet and Gesneriad Society

Class 59 – "POP Corn" exhibited by Paul Kroll – an award sponsored by the Caribbean Basin African Violet and Gesneriad Society

SECTION L — Arrangements of Dried and/or Growing Gesneriad Material

Class 60 – "POP of Color" exhibited by Steven Kerr – an award sponsored by Gloria Utzig

Class 61 – "POP Music" exhibited by Paul Kroll – an award sponsored by Linda Hall in memory of Doris Carson

Class 62 – "POPS" exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award sponsored by Barb Borleske

Class 63 – "POP the Champagne" exhibited by Dale Martens – an award sponsored by Barb Borleske

SECTION M — Container Plantings of Growing Gesneriad Material

Class 64 – Terrarium (straight sided) exhibited by Jill Fischer – an award sponsored by the Gloxinia Gesneriad Growers in honor of 3G members, past and present

Class 65 – Terrarium (curved) exhibited by Barbara Stewart – an award sponsored by Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens

Class 66 – Tray Landscape exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award sponsored by Susan Grose in honor of Arleen Dewell who does a huge amount of work as Chair of Shows and Judging including running convention judging schools, teaching judging schools, grading tests, writing articles for *Appraisal*, approving chapter flower show schedules and updating the Convention Flower Show schedule

Class 67 – Natural Garden exhibited by Karyn Cichocki – an award sponsored by Brandon Erikson in honor of Tom Bruning, a constant beacon for the society

SECTION O — Photography

Class 69 – *Episcia* 'Limeade' exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award sponsored by Susan Grose in memory of Doris Carson and in appreciation for her years of many contributions to The Gesneriad Society as super master judge, an excellent grower, and Silent and Live Auction worker.

Class 70 – *Streptocarpus* 'Heartland's White Gold' exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award sponsored by Barb Festenstein in memory of Irwin Wagman

Class 71 – *Oreocharis maximowiczii* exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award sponsored by Heidi Dillenbeck in memory of Susan Fraley

Class 72 – *Primulina* 'Curly Loki' exhibited by Winston Goretsky – an award sponsored by Karen Horner in memory of John Cook

SECTION P — Arts and Crafts Representing Gesneriads

Class 73 – Watercolor of *Aeschynanthus hians* exhibited by Steven Kerr – an award sponsored by Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens

Class 74 – Bunka Shishu embroidery of *Primulina* 'Diane Marie' exhibited by Ruth Cameron – an award sponsored by Joan Wood in honor of Jacquie Eisenhut

Class 75 – Manipulated photo of *Sinningia cardinalis* using a "neon" effect exhibited by Barbara Stewart – an award sponsored by Vladimir and Tatiana Kalgin in honor of Dale Martens

SECTION R — Educational Exhibits

Class 79 – "The Species of *Ramonda*" exhibited by Michael Riley – an award sponsored by Betsy Gottshall in honor of the Gesneriad Conservation Center of China

Class 80 – "*Primulina chizhouensis*" exhibited by Stephen Maciejewski – an award sponsored by Doris Brownlie in honor of Betty Tapping, former awards chair and a wonderful lady