

Convention Program

"Gesneriads in the Pacific Gateway"

Sunday, July 3

5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Convention Registration

Monday, July 4

7:30 am - 8:15 am Convention Registration/Information (entry forms accepted)
8:30 am - 8:45 am Board Bus for Trip
8:45 am - 4:45 pm Pre-Convention Trip to Heronswood Garden including Lunch
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Convention Registration/Information (entry forms accepted)
6:30 pm - 7:30 + pm Dinner (socializing)
9:00 pm - 10:30 pm Fourth of July Fireworks Viewing from Upper-Floor Hotel Suite
(snacks courtesy of the host chapter)

Tuesday, July 5

7:30 am - 8:15 am Convention Registration/Information (entry forms accepted)
8:30 am - 11:15 am Judges Training, Session 1
10:00 am - 11:00 am Informal Discussion
11:30 am - 12:30 pm Lunch (socializing / no program)
12:45 pm - 2:30 pm Judges Training, Session 2 (all groups)
1:00 pm - 2:00 pm Informal Discussion
1:00 pm - 3:30 pm Tacoma Area Walking/Light Rail Tours (escorted by local members)
2:45 pm - 3:15 pm Judges Interest Group Meeting
3:30 pm - 4:15 pm Chapters & Affiliates Meeting
4:15 pm - 6:15 pm Judges Test
4:45 pm - 5:45 pm Informal Discussion
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm Convention Registration/Promo Sales (entry forms accepted)
6:30 pm - 7:30 pm Opening Dinner and Welcome
7:45 pm - 9:15 pm Conservation Meeting and Program

Wednesday, July 6

7:30 am - 8:15 am Convention Registration/Promo Sales (entry forms accepted)
8:15 am - 8:30 am Board Bus for Trip
8:30 am - 11:30 pm Bus and Walking Tours of Local Gardens/Parks at Point Defiance
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm Luncheon (honoring chapters/affiliates/members)
1:15 pm Deadline for Submission of Flower Show Entry Forms
1:15 pm - 4:00 pm Board of Directors Meeting (Part I)
2:30 pm - 3:30 pm Informal Discussion
4:30 pm - 5:30 pm Lecture #1 "The Names of Plants" (Dave Zaitlin, Lexington KY)
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm Convention Registration / Information
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm Social Hour with Cash Bar
6:30 pm - 8:15 pm Dinner and Annual Membership Meeting
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm GHA Meeting and Program (open to all)

Thursday, July 7

8:00 am - 8:30 am Convention Registration / Promo Sales
8:30 am - 9:45 am Board of Directors Meeting (Part II)
10:00 am - 11:00 am Lecture #2 "Geographic patterns in the evolution of the genus
Drymonia" (Laura Clavijo, Colombia)
11:15 am - 12:15 pm Lunch (socializing / no program)
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm Flower Show Entries
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm Informal Discussion

3:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Auction Donations Accepted
4:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Designers Additional Time in Showroom
5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	Convention Registration / Information
5:45 pm - 6:45 pm	Dinner (socializing / no program)
7:15 pm - 8:15 pm	Lecture #3 "Plant Hunting in Vietnam" (Stephen Maciejewski, Philadelphia PA)
8:30 pm - 9:15 pm	Sale of Publications and Merchandise
9:00 pm - 9:30 pm	Early Plant Sales (entry by registration number)
9:30 pm - 10:30 pm	Plant Sales

Friday, July 8

6:30 am - 7:00 am	Flower Show Late Entries (with permission)
7:00 am - 8:00 am	Breakfast (and judging instructions)
8:00 am - 11:30 am	Flower Show Judging
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Convention Registration / Information
9:00 am - 5:00 pm	Live Auction Viewing / Silent Auction Bidding
9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Plant Sales Open
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Informal Discussion
12:00 pm - 1:00 pm	Lunch (socializing / no program)
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	First-Timers Program
2:30 pm - 5:30 pm	Flower Show Open
4:00 pm - 4:45 pm	Mini Program
5:00 pm	Silent Auction Closes
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Convention Registration / Information
5:45 pm - 6:45 pm	Social Hour with Cash Bar
6:45 pm - 8:30 pm	Flower Show Awards Banquet
8:30 pm - 10:00 pm	Flower Show Open for Registrants only

Saturday, July 9

6:30 am - 7:30 am	Photographers Only in Show Room
7:30 am - 8:30 am	Flower Show Judges Critique (only for this year's flower show judges/clerks)
8:30 am - 9:00 am	Convention Registration / Information
8:30 am - 3:30 pm	Flower Show and Plant Sales Open
9:15 am - 10:15 am	Mini-Presentations by Students
10:45 am - 11:45 am	Lecture #4 "Gesneriaceae at one of the world's oldest botanical gardens" (Sadie Barber, Royal Botanic Garden Edinburgh)
12:00 pm - 1:45 pm	Luncheon and Live Auction
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Visitors Program
2:00 pm - 2:45 pm	Phyto Inspections (by appointment)
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Auction Settlement (live and silent)
3:30 pm - 4:30 pm	Flower Show, Sales, and Auction Breakdown
5:30 pm - 7:30 pm	Closing Event at Hotel: Social co-sponsored by the Puget Sound Chapter with hors d'oeuvres (cash bar)

Additional Convention Information

The added convention meals on the program as well as the added informal discussion times and also the programs for newcomers have been well received allowing more time for attendees to socialize and get to know one another better, so they are being continued. The registration pricing structure again has been set up to provide a registration discount to those who register early and who attend most of the meals at convention, as those meals help pay for all the hotel space used during convention for lectures, plant sales, and show. [See page 39](#) for information regarding Covid and Convention 2022.