

# Convention Schedule of Activities

## "Gesneriads Meet in St. Louis"

### Sunday, June 30

9:00 am - 11:00 am	Convention Registration
11:45 am - Noon	Board Bus for Pre-Convention Trip
Noon - 5:30 pm	Tour of St. Louis (on-board guide) and visit to the Gateway Arch
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm	Convention Registration / Information

### Monday, July 1

7:30 am - 8:15 am	Convention Registration / Information (entry forms accepted)
8:15 am - 8:30 am	Board Bus for trip
8:30 am - 3:30 pm	Trip to Missouri Botanical Garden (+ added option)
4:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Board of Directors Meeting (Part I)
5:30 pm - 6:15 pm	Convention Registration / Information (entry forms accepted)
6:30 pm - 8:00 pm	Opening Dinner

### Tuesday, July 2

7:30 am - 8:15 am	Convention Registration/Information (entry forms accepted)
8:15 am - 8:30 am	Board Bus for trip
8:30 am - Noon	Trip to Grant's Farm with optional museum visit
12:30 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch
1:45 pm	Deadline for Submitting Flower Show Entry Forms
2:00 pm - 3:30 pm	Judges Training (separate sessions: novice/advanced or workshop)
3:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Judges Training and Practice Judging (combined group)
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Moderated Discussion
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Judges Interest Group Meeting
5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	Convention Registration / Information
6:00 pm - 7:00 pm	Welcome Dinner Honoring Members
7:30 pm - 8:45 pm	Conservation Meeting and Program (open to all)

### Wednesday, July 3

8:00 am - 8:30 am	Convention Registration / Information
9:00 am - 11:00 am	Flower Show Entries
9:30 am - 10:30 am	Moderated Discussion
11:00 am - 2:00 pm	Designers Additional Entry Time in Showroom
Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:30 am - 3:30 am	Auction Donations Accepted
2:00 pm - 3:00 pm	Moderated Discussion
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Lecture #1 "Forty Years of Brazilian Gesneriads" (Alain Chautems /Switzerland and Mauro Peixoto /Brazil)
5:15 pm - 5:45 pm	Convention Registration / Information
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Dinner and Annual Membership Meeting
8:00 pm - 8:30 pm	Early Plant Sales (entry by registration number)
8:30 pm - 9:30 pm	Plant Sales for Registrants only
9:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Designers Extra Time in Flower Show Room

### Thursday, July 4

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

## Thursday, July 4 (continued)

9:00 am - Noon	Sales and Silent Auction Open for Registrants
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Moderated Discussion
Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:30 pm - 3:00 pm	Plant Sales and Silent Auction Open for Registrants
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Flower Show Open for Registrants
4:00 pm - 5:00 pm	Lecture #2 “Growing Sinningias” Panel Discussion with Joel Egan, Betsy Gottshall, Alan LaVergne, Peter Shalit
5:00 pm - 5:30 pm	Convention Registration / Information
5:30 pm - 6:30 pm	Social Hour with Cash Bar
6:30 pm - 8:15 pm	Flower Show Awards Banquet
8:15 pm - 9:45 pm	Flower Show Open for Registrants

## Friday, July 5

7:30 am - 8:30 am	Photographers Only in Flower Show Room
8:30 am - 9:30 am	Flower Show Judges Review (only for this year’s flower show judges and clerks)
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Convention Registration / Sign-ups for Phyto Appointments
9:45 am - 11:30 am	Judges Test
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Moderated Discussion
10:00 am - 4:00 pm	Flower Show, Plant Sales and Auction Open to the Public
11:45 am	Deadline to Submit Plant Lists for Phytosanitary Inspections
Noon - 1:00 pm	Lunch
1:15 pm - 2:15 pm	Board of Directors Meeting (Part II)
2:45 pm - 3:45 pm	Mini-Presentations by Student Grant Recipients
4:00 pm	Silent Auction Closes
4:15 pm - 5:15 pm	Lecture #3 “On the Kohleria Trail ...” (Kimberly Hansen, Chicago Field Museum, Illinois)
5:30 pm - 6:00 pm	Convention Registration / Information
6:00 pm - 7:30 pm	Dinner with Panel Discussion “Award-Winning Show Plants”
8:00 pm - 9:15 pm	GHA Meeting and Program (open to all)

## Saturday, July 6

8:30 am - 3:00 pm	Flower Show and Plant Sales Open to the Public
9:30 am - 10:00 am	Convention Registration / Information
10:00 am - 11:00 am	Lecture #4 “Kohleria – The Most Beautiful Weed” (Brandon Erikson, Omaha, Nebraska)
11:45 pm - 1:30 pm	Lunch honoring Commercials and Live Auction
1:30 pm - 2:30 pm	Auction Settlement (live and silent)
1:45 pm - 2:45 pm	Phyto Inspections (by appointment)
3:00 pm - 4:00 pm	Flower Show and Plant Sales Breakdown
4:45 pm - 5:00 pm	Board Bus for Trip and Dinner
5:00 pm - 9:00 pm	Trip to Union Station for light and water shows, dinner at Lombardo’s Trattoria, and night viewing of arch and downtown

### Help Support our Convention

By rooming at our convention hotel and ordering group meals, you are helping us to provide the activities you see on the convention schedule (including the space for the flower show and plant sale) as well as making the wonderful opportunity to visit and get to know many other gesneriad enthusiasts as well as our guest lecturers.

Come and enjoy the experience!