



Gleanings

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This issue includes photos of gesneriads blooming now from numerous sources around the USA.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!**

Mel Grice, Editor

Gasteranthus quitensis is native to Ecuador and nearby Colombia, where it is terrestrial in shade and grows under the warm tropical forest. It requires high humidity and filtered light. This was grown under a dome with LED light in an office, not the greenhouse. A saucer of water kept the free draining soil mix always moist.

See more photos on the next page.

Chas Huston photo



Blooming now...



Hilary Major photos



Hilary Major works at the greenhouse of the College of Botanical Sciences Conservatory, University of Minnesota, Saint Paul, Minnesota, and took these photos of *Gasteranthus quitensis*.





The "Ladyslipper" plants are Dibley hybrids that are now being grown and sold in the USA by a commercial greenhouse to nurseries using that name.

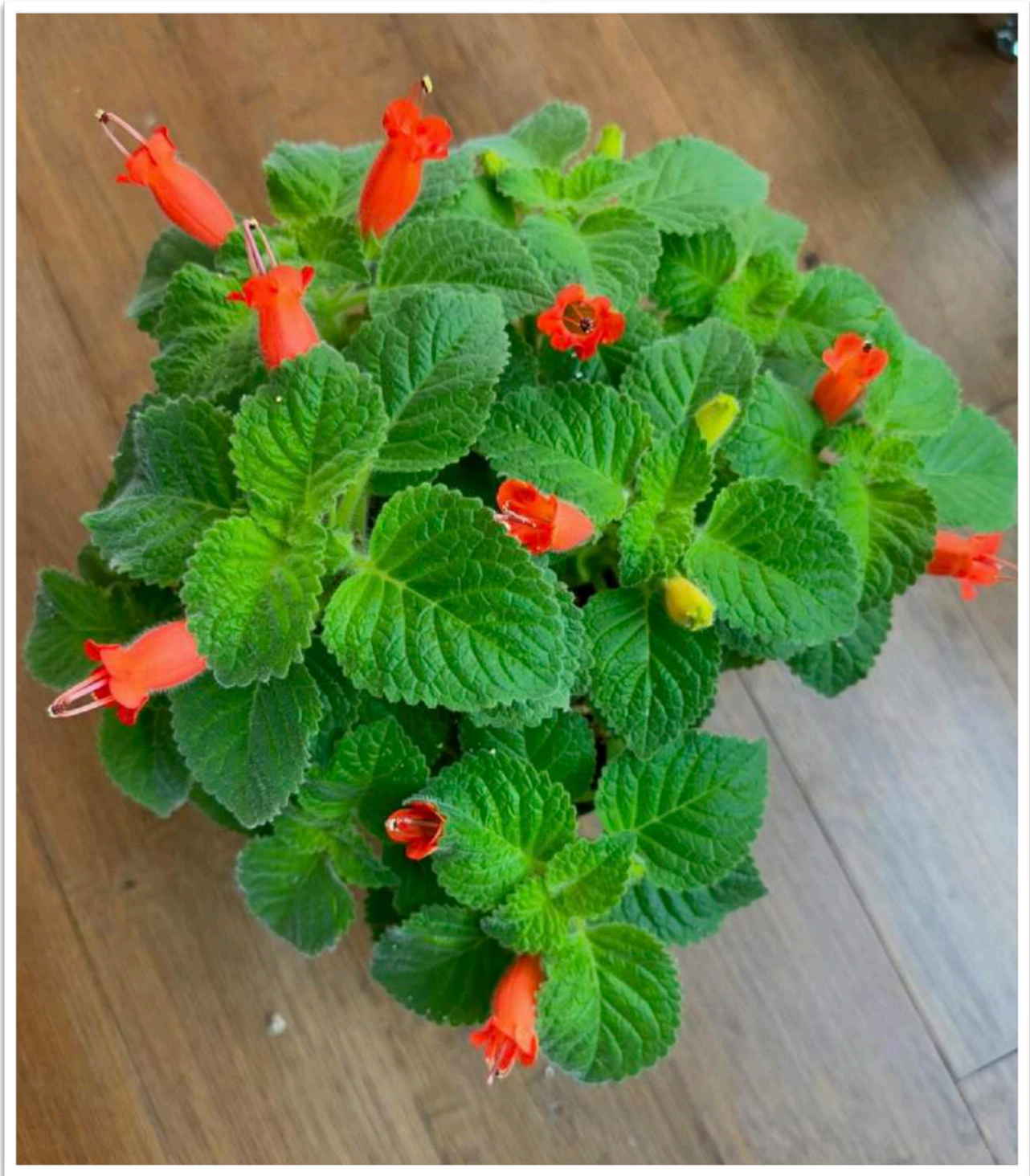
Streptocarpus 'Ladyslippers Blue Ice'
Karyn Cichocki

Karyn Cichocki photos



Streptocarpus 'Ladyslippers Grape Ice' - Karyn Cichocki

Joel Egan will be a member of a panel speaking about sinningias at the upcoming Gesneriad Society Convention in St. Louis.



Sinningia amambayensis - Joel Egan

Joel says, "I love this species. It flowers and sets seed easily, and the foliage smells sweet like honeysuckle."

Joel Egan photo



×*Achicodonia* 'Tyche' - a Frances Batcheller intergeneric hybrid
(*Eucodonia* 'Frances' × *Achimenes mexicana*)
Mel Grice

Photos by the growers

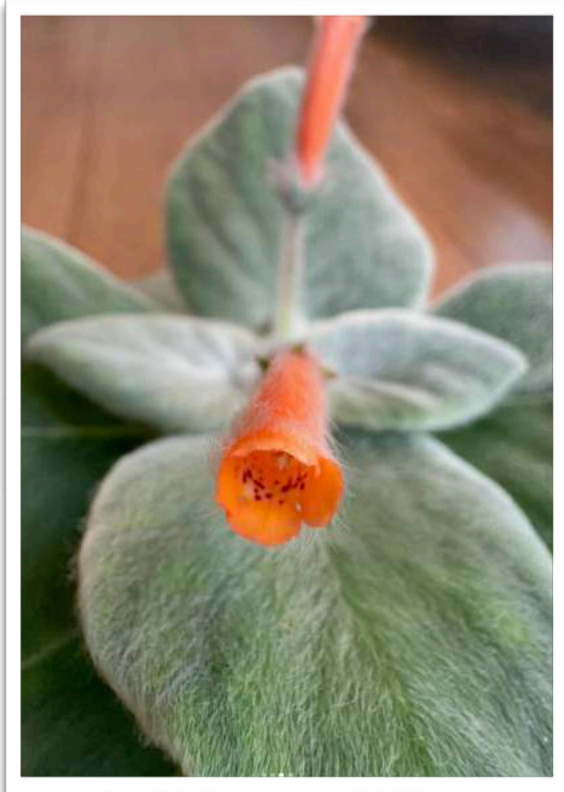


Streptocarpus
'Ladyslippers Grape Ice'
Amy Ohe

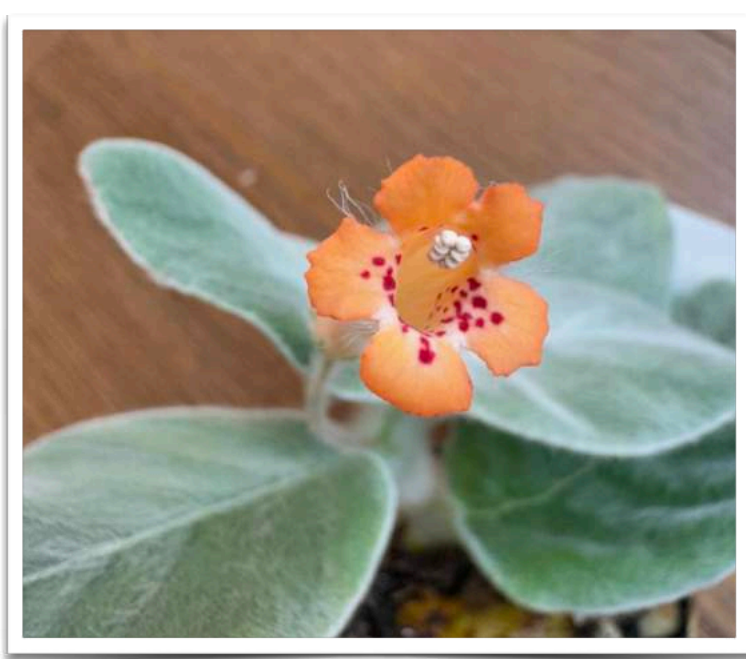


Sinningia leucotricha
'Max Dekking'
Joel Egan

Joel Egan photos



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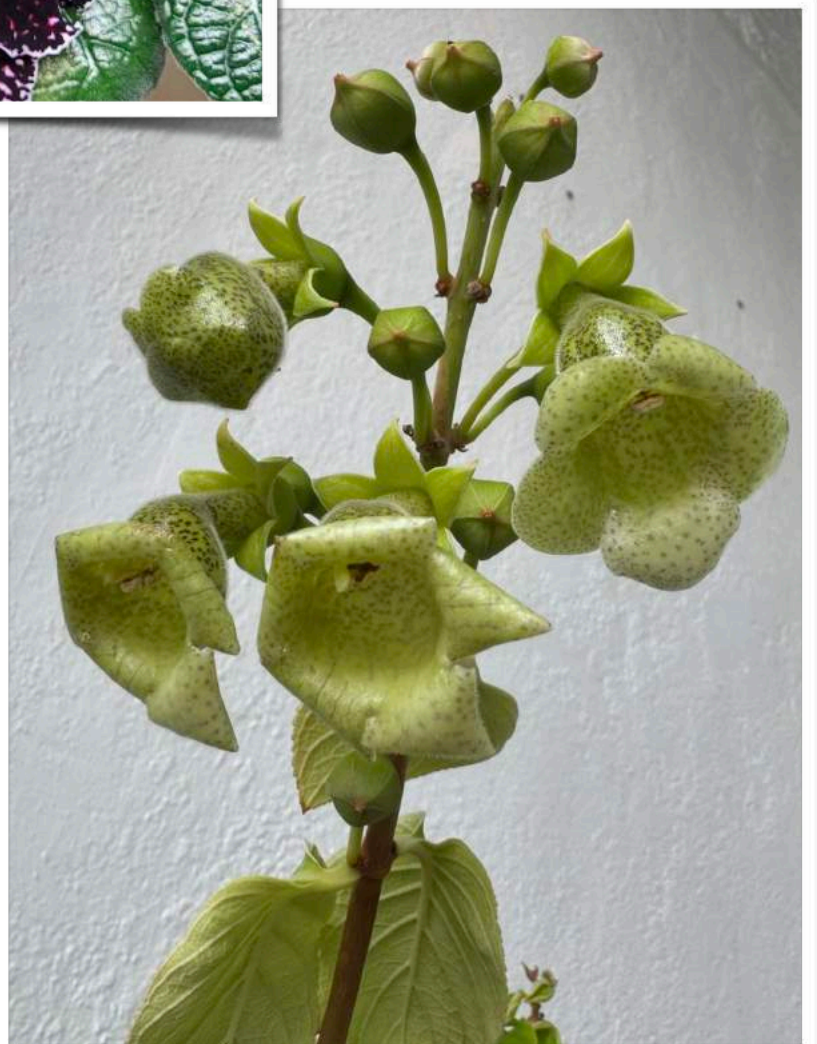


Sinningia leucotricha 'Itaquera'
Joel Egan



Streptocarpus 'DS-Black Cherry'
Terri Vicenzi

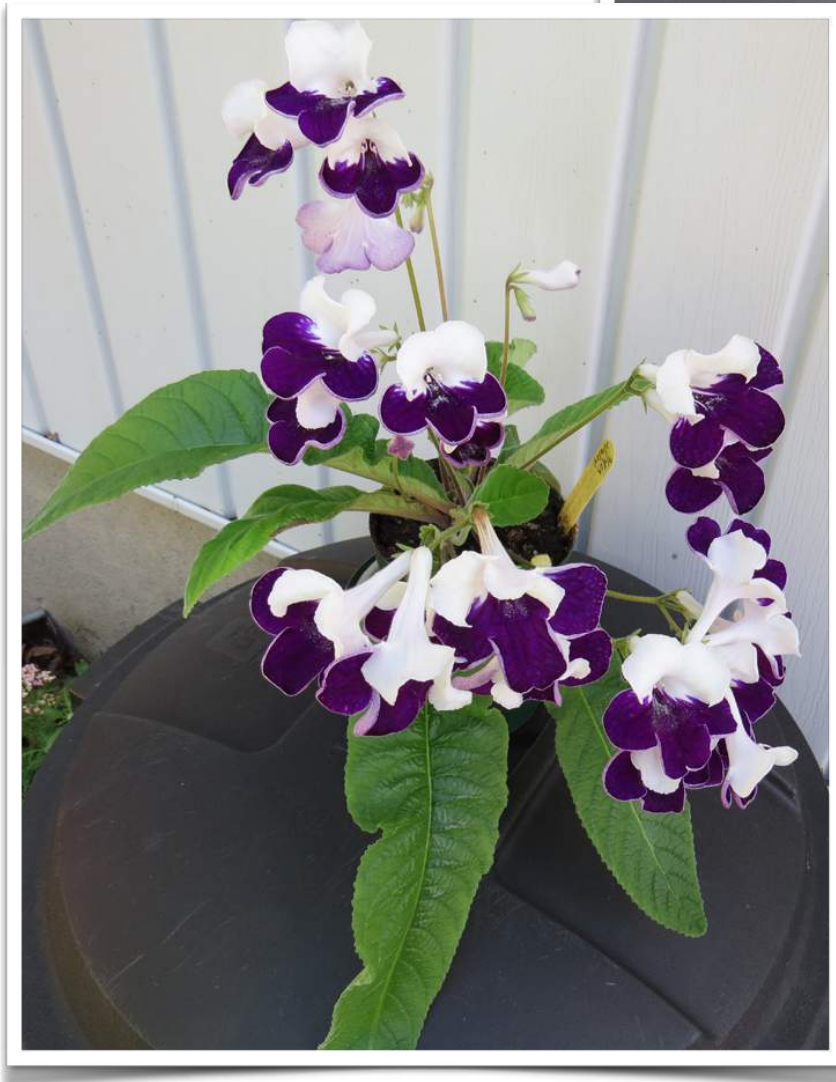
Paliavana prasinata
Joel Egan



Photos by the growers

Alsobia chiapensis
Joel Egan

Joel says, "This plant is so weird — it grows almost like a sprawling bonsai plant. The flowers are also very weird."



Photos by the growers

Streptocarpus 'Harlequin Sapphire'
Karyn Cichocki



Streptocarpus 'Ohio's Meerkat' -
Karyn Cichocki

A Dan Steele hybrid

Photos by the growers

Chrysothemis melittifolia 'Burle Marx'
Joel Egan

Joel says, "It used to be called a
nautilocalyx. Cheery blue flowers -
very floriferous even when young."





From the editor —

Thanks to all who submitted photos. I am getting excited about the 2024 Gesneriad Society Convention!

If you have suggestions, comments, or items for possible inclusion in future issues, please feel free to contact me at melsgrice@gmail.com

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