



Gleanings

a monthly newsletter from The Gesneriad Society, Inc.

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This issue includes photos of gesneriads blooming now and gesneriads shown at the Philadelphia Flower Show.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!**

Mel Grice, Editor



Gesneria barahonensis is a relatively rare gesneriad that has recently been collected in the Dominican Republic. Paul Kroll from Lancaster, New York, grew this plant in a terrarium.

Paul Kroll photo



Blooming now...



Sinningia 'Apollon'
Eileen McGrath



Kohleria NOID
Paul Susi



Sinningia 'HCY's Centre Heart'
Mel Grice

Photos by the growers

Gesneriads at the Philadelphia Flower Show



Petrocosmea chiwui
Stephen Maciejewski

Stephen Maciejewski photos

*Note - many exhibitors in this show just put the species name and cv. (for cultivar) when they lose the hybrid name.

Kohleria cv.
Leslie Anne Miller





Primulina atropurpurea
Cesario Gene Tobia
Karyn Cichocki photo

Stephen Maciejewski photo



Primulina wentsaii received The Liberty Bell Award on another judging day.

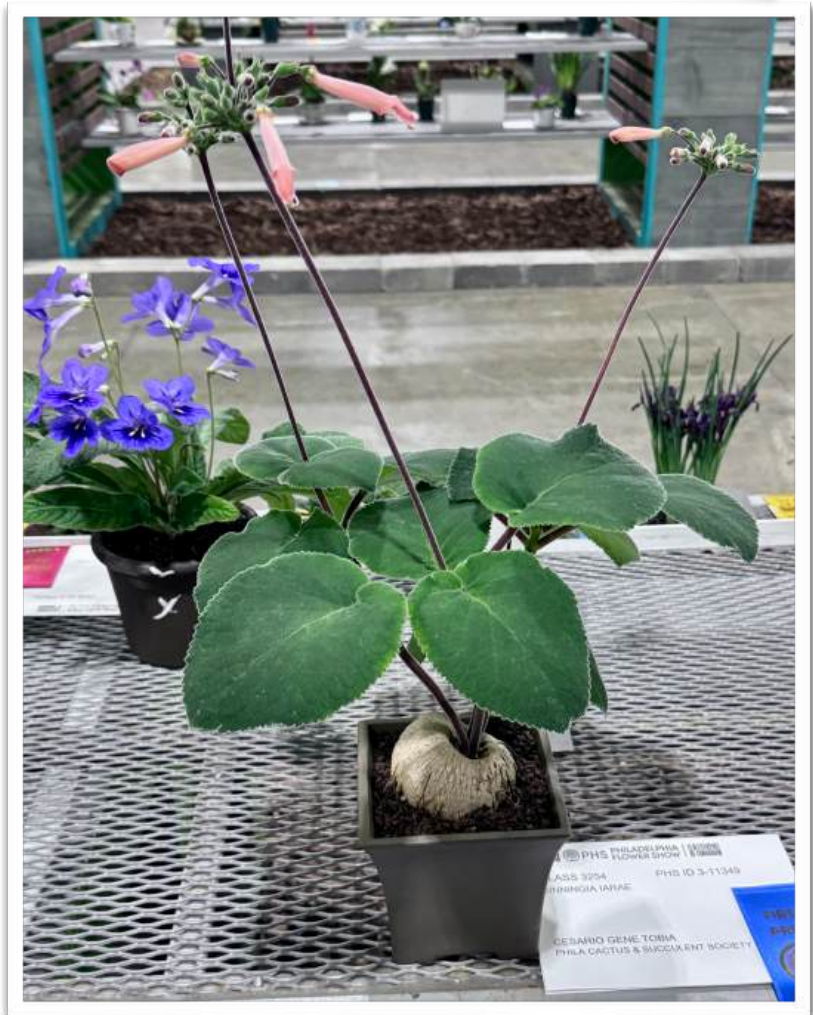


Primulina wentsaii
Deborah Evans
Karyn Cichocki photo



Sinningia 'Deep Purple Dreaming'
Leslie Anne Miller

Stephen Maciejewski photos



Sinningia iarae hybrid
Cesario Gene Tobia

Sinningia 'Owlsee Red Hot'
Cesario Gene Tobia

Karyn Cichocki photo



Sinningia leucotricha
Leslie Anne Miller

Stephen Maciejewski photo



Streptocarpus cv.
Effie Wister

Stephen Maciejewski photos



Liberty Bell Gesneriad Society Display

Sinningia pusilla challenge class



Stephen Maciejewski photo

Coming Events

March 30, 2025 — Toronto, ON Show & Plant Sale

Toronto African Violet and Gesneriad Society

Toronto Botanical Garden, 777 Lawrence Ave. E., Toronto, ON, Canada

Sunday: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Admission: \$2.00

Contact: jtbrownlie@idirect.com or smith.sue2011@gmail.com

April 4 - 6, 2025 — Richmond, VA Flower Show & Plant Sale

Richmond African Violet Society

Lewis Ginter Botanical Garden, 1800 Lakeside Ave., Richmond, VA 23228

SHOW: April 5: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

April 6: 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

SALE: April 4: 1:00 to 5:00 p.m.

April 5: 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

April 6: 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

Free admission to show and sale.

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“Gesneriads Gather in the Garden State” The Gesneriad Society’s 68th Annual Convention

June 29 to July 5, 2025

Sheraton Parsippany Hotel
199 Smith Road, Parsippany, NJ 07054

Registration is now open

<https://gesneriadsociety.org/conventions/2025-convention-parsippany-nj/>

Convention T-Shirts Are Ready!

T-shirts with this year's convention logo are available for purchase from the [store](#) on the Gesneriad Society website. Click on **Apparel** and then **Shirts**, and you'll see the shirts with this year's convention logo on them. They come in men's and women's sizes and in various colors.

None will be sold at the convention, however. They have to be ordered ahead of time and will be delivered to your home address. To quote one buyer: "**beautiful!**"





From the editor —

Thanks Karyn and Stephen for sending photos of the flower show. Please keep them coming!

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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