

SePPCon 2020

Southeastern Partners in Plant Conservation Conference

March 2 – 6, 2020 at
The Southeastern Center for Conservation
Atlanta Botanical Garden





Working together to safeguard trees.

The American Public Gardens Association has partnered with the United States Forest Service's Forest Health Protection Program to target at-risk species that can't be seedbanked through traditional methods.

The Tree Gene Conservation Partnership collects plant material from across its native range, captures broad genetic diversity, and distributes propagules to public gardens for safeguarding in ex situ collections.

The next call for Scouting/Collecting Trip Proposals opens in September of 2020 for projects in 2021.

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The Center for Plant Conservation (CPC) is excited to announce the public launch of the...

first and only online, interactive platform for rare plant conservation science and practices.

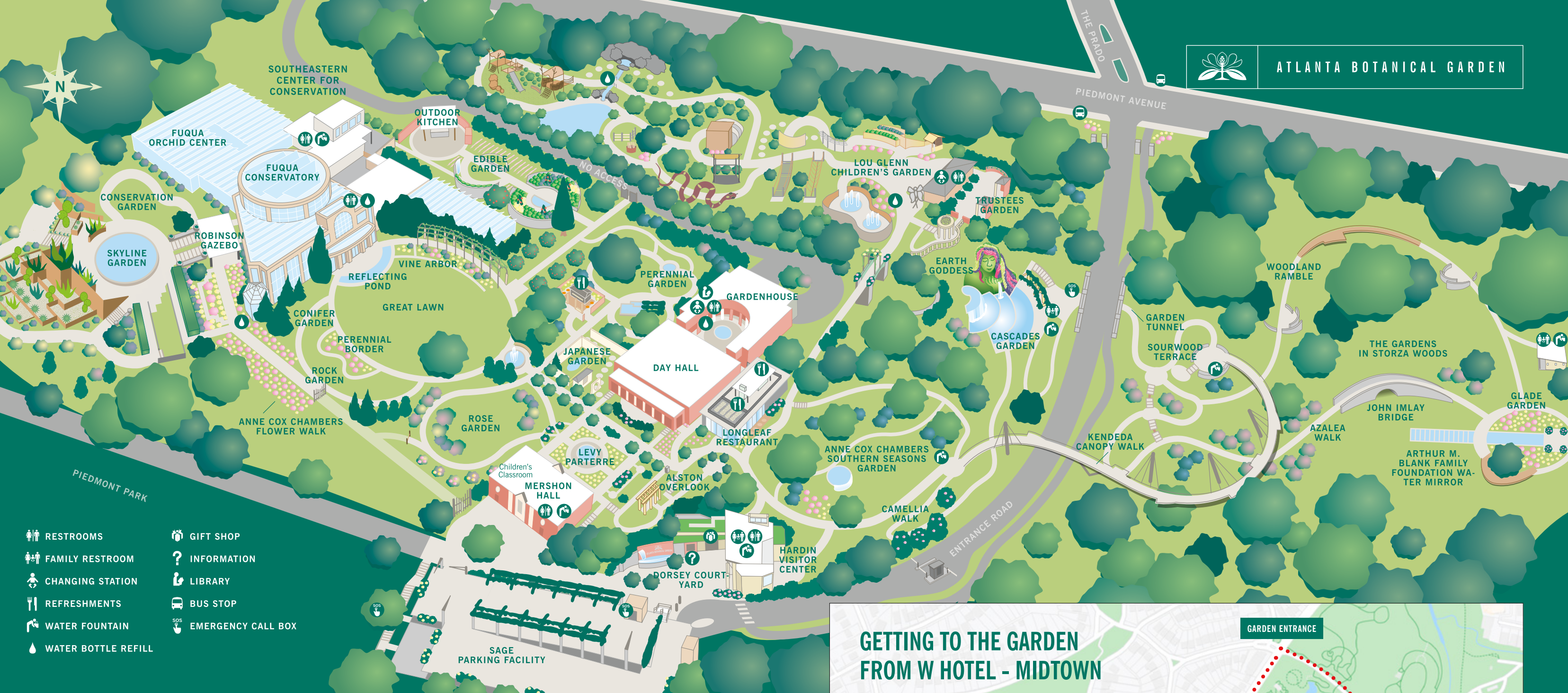
The **CPC Rare Plant Academy** shares the most up-to-date science-based methods for maintaining genetic diversity, seed banking, cryopreservation, and plant reintroduction. **CPC Rare Plant Academy** is now available to all professionals working to save endangered plants.

This online platform is an essential tool for seasoned plant conservationists, public garden professionals, researchers, land managers, government agencies, as well as, an important training tool for newcomers working to save rare and endangered plants in the world.



Join us at academy.saveplants.org to learn more about rare plants, share info, and interact with our community.





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- FAMILY RESTROOM
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MEETING & TRAVEL INFORMATION

Meeting Location
 Atlanta Botanical Garden
 1345 Piedmont Ave, Atlanta, GA 30309

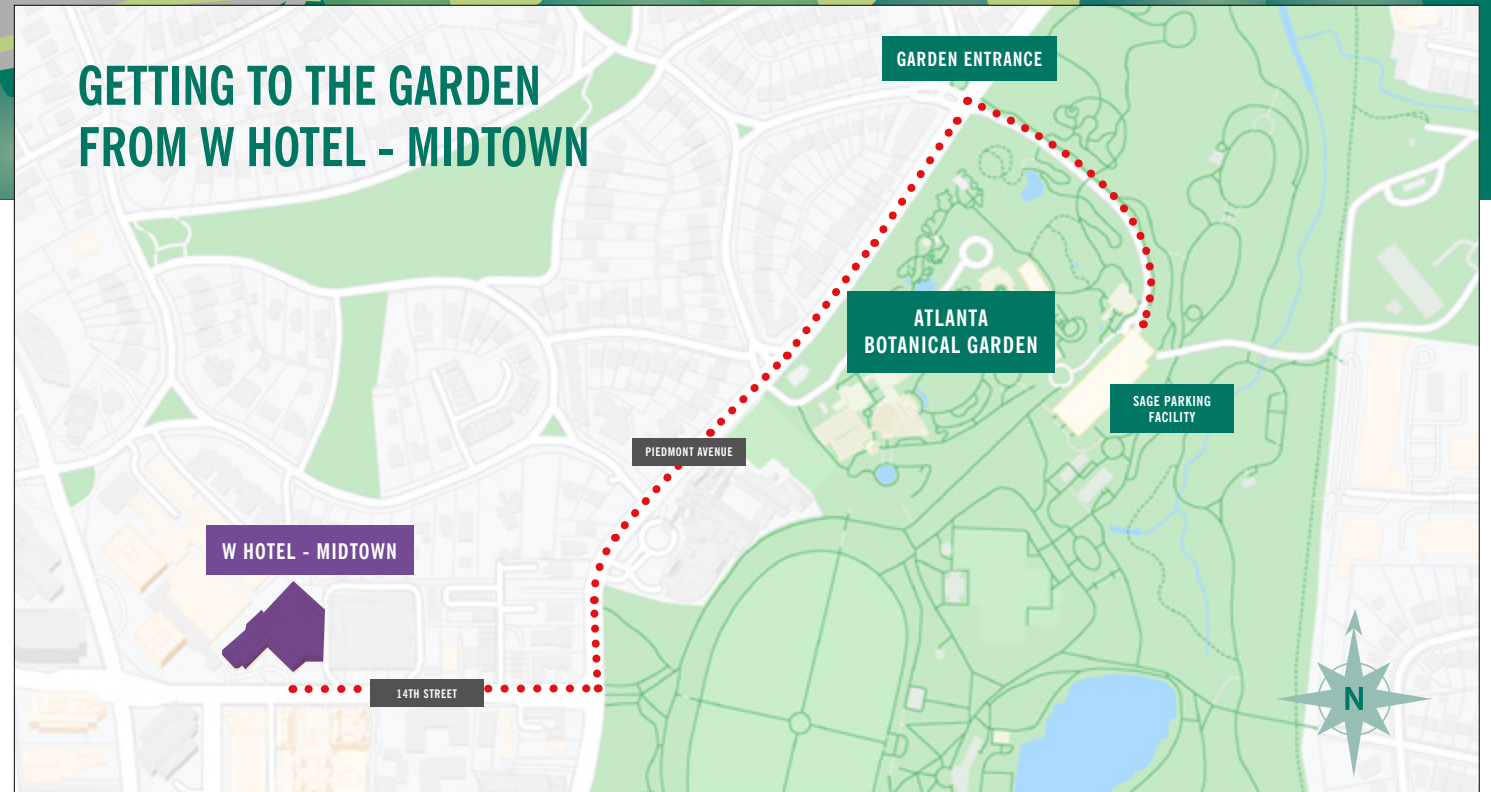
Hotel
 W Hotel - Midtown
 188 14th Street, NE
 Atlanta, Georgia 30361
 404-892-6000
 Located 0.6 miles from the Garden

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THREAT ASSESSMENT: IUCN RED LIST & NATURESERVE RANKING WORKSHOP*

9 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Magnolia Room | \$60

Sponsored by Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens

Christina Carrero, Tree Conservation Research Assistant, The Morton Arboretum
Dr. Anne Frances, Lead Botanist, NatureServe

CONSERVATION HORTICULTURE TRAINING WORKSHOP*

9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Georgia-Pacific Classroom | \$70

Sponsored by American Public Gardens Association

John Evans, Conservation Horticulture Coordinator, Atlanta Botanical Garden

SEEDBANKING & MICROPROPAGATION TRAINING WORKSHOP*

9:30 a.m. – 5 p.m. | Orchid Room | \$70

Sponsored by American Public Gardens Association

Jason Ligon, Micropropagation & Seed Bank Coordinator, Atlanta Botanical Garden

REGIONAL AGENCY MEETINGS (ORGANIZED BY AGENCIES)

1 – 4 p.m. | Hardin Visitor Center Conference Room and Gardenhouse Boardroom



ROADSIDE DEFENDERS MEETING*

1 – 4 p.m. | Turner Theater

REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN

4:30 – 7:30 p.m. | Hardin Visitor Center

OPENING RECEPTION*

5 – 8 p.m. | Mershon Hall

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Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar

** Pre-registration required*

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For more, check out Georgia's State Wildlife Action Plan

www.georgiawildlife.com/WildlifeActionPlan

and DNR Wildlife Conservation Section's annual report

www.georgiawildlife.com/Conservation/AnnualReport

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REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN

7:45 a.m. – 4 p.m. | Hardin Visitor Center

COFFEE & NETWORKING

7:45 am – 8:15 a.m. | Mershon Hall

WELCOME FROM HOSTS AND STEERING PARTNERS

8:15 – 8:30 a.m.

Mary Pat Matheson

The Anna & Hays Mershon President and CEO, Atlanta Botanical Garden

Rusty Garrison

Director, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Resources Division

Catherine Phillips

Assistant Regional Director, Ecological Services,
U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service Southeast Region

Margrett Boley, Director of Biological and Physical Resources

USDA Forest Service Southern Region

KEYNOTE SPEAKERS

ANTHROPOCENE ERA & THE 6TH EXTINCTION: OUR REALITY

8:30 – 9:10 a.m.

Dr. Pamela S. Soltis

Founding Director of University of Florida Biodiversity Institute,
Distinguished Professor and Curator at the Florida Museum of Natural History

CHANGING THE CONVERSATION ABOUT PLANTS

9:10 – 9:30 a.m.

Matt Candeias, In Defense of Plants

KEYNOTE Q&A 9:30 – 9:45 a.m.

REGIONAL CONSERVATION INITIATIVES VIDEO SCREENING & PANEL

9:45 – 10:15 a.m.

Sponsored by Southeastern Grasslands Initiative

The Southeastern Grasslands Initiative

Dr. Dwayne Estes, Southeastern Grasslands Initiative

Longleaf for the Long Run

Carol Denhof, President, Longleaf Alliance

Piedmont Prairie Initiative

Rua Mordicai, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service, Science Applications

BREAK 10:15 – 10:30 a.m.

BUILD YOUR SKILLS, SHARE YOUR SKILLS BREAKOUT SESSIONS

10:30 a.m. - 12 p.m.

Interactive sessions to empower and build relationships – providing opportunities for an exchange of ideas, successes, lessons learned, and potential to identify additional needs.

Concurrent breakout session choices selected during online registration:

Facing the Fundraising Challenge: Getting Creative with Plant Conservation Funding
Gardenhouse Gallery, Magnolia Room

Making Communications Count: Raising Awareness & Making the Case for Plant Conservation
Day Hall

Identifying & Empowering Volunteer Networks to Support Projects
Gardenhouse Gallery, Orchid Room

Seeking & Building Collaborative Processes: We are Better Together
Gardenhouse Gallery

LUNCH 12 – 1 p.m. in Mershon Hall

Lunch choices selected during online registration

CONSERVING MEDICINALLY AND CULTURALLY SIGNIFICANT SOUTHEASTERN PLANTS

1 – 2:15 p.m.

Introduction and overview

Dr. Anne Frances, Lead Botanist, NatureServe

Kentucky's Forest Biodiversity Assessment Program: A Model for Capturing Trends and Distribution of Forest Medicinals and More

Tara Littlefield, Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves

The Culturally Significant Plant Species Initiative (CSPSI): A Collaboration of the Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians and the Southern Appalachian Man and the Biosphere Cooperative

Tommy Cabe and Maria Dunlavy, Eastern Band of Cherokee Indians

The Ethical Forager: A Review of Harvesting Regulations and Practices for Threatened Medicinal Plants on Public and Private Lands in the Southeast

Laramie Smith, University of Georgia

Developing Genetic Tools to Safeguard Harvested Species in the Great Smoky Mountains National Park

Dr. Matt Estep, Appalachian State University

Three petals, three partners, three genera: Results of an innovative partnership for Trillium conservation

Clayton Meredith, ABQ Bio-Park

Kentucky's American Ginseng (*Panax quinquefolius*) Management Program

Anna Lucio, Kentucky Department of Agriculture

PLANT CONSERVATION ALLIANCES WORKSHOP

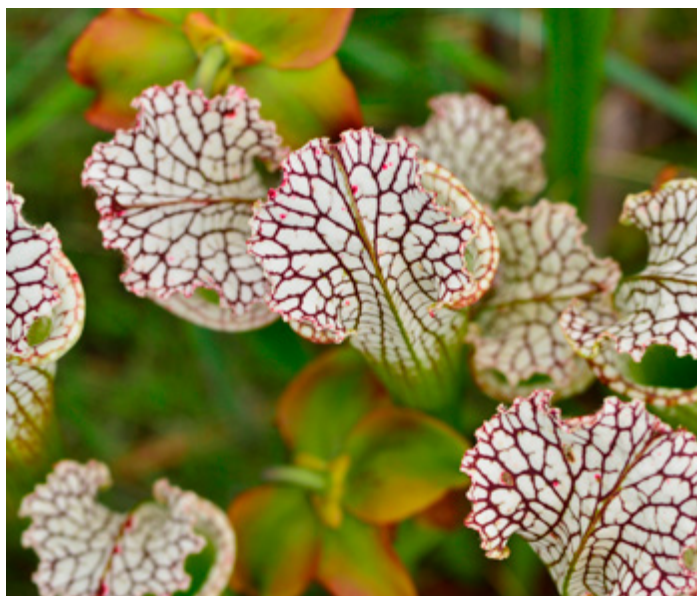
2:15 - 5:15 p.m.

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Meet your Agency & Natural Heritage Network Botanists

2:15 - 3 p.m.

Joanne Baggs	USDA Forest Service Southern Region
Kelly Bibb	U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
Dr. Anne Frances	NatureServe & The Natural Heritage Network
Dr. Mincy Moffett	Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Conservation Section, State Heritage Programs and SWAPS – Southeastern U.S. Overview



BREAK 3 - 3:15 p.m.

STATE PLANT CONSERVATION ALLIANCE LIGHTNING PRESENTATIONS & PANEL

3:15 - 4:20 p.m.

ALABAMA:	Patrick Thompson Auburn University Davis Arboretum
MID-ATLANTIC:	Amy Highland, Mt. Cuba Center
FLORIDA:	Houston Snead, Jacksonville Zoo and Gardens
GEORGIA:	Jennifer Ceska, State Botanical Garden of Georgia
KENTUCKY:	Tara Littlefield, Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves
MISSISSIPPI:	Dr. Toby Gray, Mississippi State University
NORTH CAROLINA:	Michael Kunz North Carolina Botanical Garden, University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill
PENNSYLVANIA:	Kristi Allen, Pennsylvania Department of Conservation and Natural Resources
SOUTH CAROLINA:	April Punsalan, US Fish & Wildlife Service,
TENNESSEE:	Cooper Breeden, Southeastern Grasslands Initiative, Austin Peay State University

PLANT CONSERVATION NETWORKING ON A REGIONAL SCALE

David Lincicome, Division of Natural Areas,
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

DEVELOPING CONSERVATION OPPORTUNITY AREAS FOR ARKANSAS: THE IMPORTANCE OF RECOGNIZING PARTNERS IN THE LANDSCAPE

Dr. Toby Gray, Mississippi State University

PCA Panel Q&A

4:20 p.m. - 4:35

Exploring and Strengthening State PCA Partnerships: Table Talk Rotation

4:35 - 5:05 p.m.

PCA Workshop Closing and Conference Announcements

5:05 - 5:15 p.m.

GROUPS FORM ORGANICALLY AND GO TO DINNER ON THEIR OWN

REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN

7:45 a.m. – 6:15 p.m. | Hardin Visitor Center

COFFEE & NETWORKING

7:45 am – 8:15 a.m. | Mershon Hall

RECOVERY IS POSSIBLE

Sponsored by Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation
8 – 8:30 a.m.

INTRODUCTION & OVERVIEW

Kelly Bibb, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Geoff Call, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service
David Lincicome and Andrea Bishop (retired),
Tennessee Department of Environment and Conservation

SCIENCE IN RECOVERY

8:30 - 10 a.m.

Sponsored by the Atlanta Botanical Garden

Life History of *Euphorbia telephoides*, a Threatened Species Endemic to the Florida Panhandle: Are These Data Useful to Evaluate Conservation?

Dr. Vivian Negrón-Ortiz, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

How Pollination Ecology Can Improve Recovery of the Southeast's Threatened Flowering Plants

Gavin Shotts, Auburn University

Pollination Biology of Venus Flytrap Throughout its Range

Laura Hamon, North Carolina State University

Reproductive Ecology of a Rare Florida Endemic Mint, *Macbridea alba*

Dr. Brenda Molano-Flores, Illinois Natural History Survey, University of Illinois

The Role of Fruits and Fires in the Germination of a Rare Subshrub, *Amorpha georgiana* (Fabaceae)

Michael Kunz, North Carolina Botanical Garden

Seed Dormancy and Soil Seed Bank Persistence in the Federally Endangered Short's Bladderpod (*Physaria globosa*)

Noah Dell, Missouri Botanical Garden

Varronia bellonis (Cordiaceae) as a Model for Plant Conservation in Puerto Rico and the Virgin Islands

Omar A. Monsegur-Rivera, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Ecology and Conservation of the Federally-Listed Coastal Cactus *Harrisia aboriginum* in SW Florida

Dr. Shawn McCourt, Marie Selby Botanical Gardens

Examining Morphological and Habitat Variation within *Stenanthium gramineum* (Eastern Featherbells, Melanthiaceae)

Hannah Cook, Western Carolina University

Assessment of Science Needs for Rare Plants of Conservation Concern in Southeastern Grasslands

Dr. Reed Noss, Southeastern Grasslands Initiative

Science in Recovery Q&A

BREAK 10 - 10:15 a.m.

CONSERVATION GENETICS 10:15 - 11 a.m.

Sponsored by the Atlanta Botanical Garden

Introduction and overview

Dr. Lauren Eserman, Atlanta Botanical Garden

How Genomic Data Can Help Land Managers; Needs Identified by Hawai'i Land Managers Working with Endangered Lobeliads

Dr. Jeremie Fant, Chicago Botanical Garden

Global Conservation Consortia: Coordinating Collections for Exceptional Species

Christina Carrero, The Morton Arboretum

Conserving Genetic Diversity of Southeastern Oaks and Magnolias in Botanic Gardens: How Much is Needed?

Dr. Sean Hoban, The Morton Arboretum

Genetic Diversity Within and Among Populations of the Endangered Southeastern North American Plant Species, *Tiedemannia canbyi* (Apiaceae) and its More Common Congener, *T. filiformis*

Dr. Dorest Trapnell, The University of Georgia

Conservation Applications of Recent Genetic Diversity Findings for the North American Plant Species, *Tiedemannia canbyi* (Canby's dropwort)

Lisa Kruse, Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Conservation Section

The Ecology of Hybridizing Pitcher Plants in Isolated Mountain Bogs

Dr. Rebecca Hale, University of North Carolina, Asheville

Conservation Genetics Q&A

SAFEGUARDING OUR FUTURE

11 a.m. - 12:15 p.m.

*Sponsored by Mt. Cuba Center***Introduction and overview****Dale Suiter**, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service**Recognizing the Significant Role *Ex Situ* Conservation Collections Play in Preventing Plant Extinctions****Wesley M. Knapp**, North Carolina Natural Heritage Program**Do Seedbanks Help Prevent Extinction?****Michael Kunz**, North Carolina Botanical Garden**Range-wide *Ex Situ* Seed Conservation and Population Genetic Architecture Analysis in Venus Flytrap (*Dionaea muscipula*)****Dr. Johnny Randall**, North Carolina Botanical Garden**Technology and Data Sharing in Support of Collaborative Plant Conservation: A Case Study from California's Regional Seed Banking Effort, California Plant Rescue.****Dr. Katie Heineman**, Center for Plant Conservation**The Ichauway Seed Bank: Results from the Inaugural Year of Seed Collecting****Lisa Giencke**, Joseph W. Jones Ecological Research Center at Ichauway**Building and Maintaining an *Ex Situ* *Torreya taxifolia* Seed Nursery****Dr. Annabel Renwick**, Sarah P. Duke Gardens**Citizen Scientist-led Efforts to Save a Species: Safeguarding the Running Glade Clover, *Trifolium calcaricum*****Margi Hunter**, Tennessee Naturalist Program**Fringed Campion: Conservation and Reintroduction of a Federally Endangered Species****Heather Bowman Cutway**, Mercer University**Evaluating Translocation Successes and Challenges: Case Studies of Federally Listed Plant Species of the Lake Wales Ridge, Florida****Stephanie Koontz**, Archibald Biological Station**Experimental Reintroductions and Adaptive Management Improve Recovery Outcomes in the Federally Endangered, Pyne's Ground-Plum (*Astragalus bibullatus*)****Dr. Matthew Albrecht**, Missouri Botanical Garden**SAFEGUARDING OUR FUTURE Q&A****LUNCH 12:15 – 1:15 p.m. in Mershon Hall**

Lunch choices selected during online registration

LINKING MONITORING, FORECASTING AND MANAGEMENT

1:15 - 3:15 p.m.

*Sponsored by Tennessee Valley Authority***Introduction and overview****Dr. David Bender**, US Fish & Wildlife Service**Safeguarding to Recovery: Georgia Rockcress Case Study****Dr. Michele Elmore**, US Fish & Wildlife Service**Restoring Lost Ecosystems: From Recovering White Fringeless Orchid Populations to Restoring and Connecting Seeps and the Upland Pine Oak Barrens****Tara Littlefield**, Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves**Natural Areas Designations with the Nantahala & Pisgah NFs Plan Revision: An Evolving Process with the NC Natural Heritage Program + An ecological prescribed burn model for the Nantahala and Pisgah NFs****Gary Kauffman**, National Forests of North Carolina**Coordinated Flatwoods Restoration and Monitoring in the Eastern Florida Panhandle: Traditional Plots and Experimental Terrestrial Lidar Scans****Brian Pelc**, The Nature Conservancy**Habitat Suitability Models as a Conservation Tool for a Rare Mint, *Macbridea alba*****Sara Johnson**, Illinois University, Urbana-Champaign**Historic Vegetation and Harper's Beauty in the Apalachicola National Forest****Amy Jenkins**, Florida Natural Areas Inventory**Demographic Analysis of a Dioecious Threatened Plant and the Consequences of Not Having Complete Data****Natali Ramirez-Bullon**, Florida State University**Gulf Coast Atlantic White-Cedar Recovery Post Hurricane Disturbance****Clayton Hale**, Mississippi State University**Identifying Drivers of Orchid Population Dynamics: An Example in the Federally-Listed Threatened Orchid, *Isotria medeoloides*****Dr. Melissa McCormick**, North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC) and Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC)**Monitoring At-Risk Species in the Southeastern U.S. Can Be Improved with an Ensemble Habitat Modeling Approach****Dr. Carlos Ramirez-Reyes**, Mississippi State University**Conservation Applications of Species Distribution Models: Case Studies in Model-Based Sampling and Reconstructing Biogeographic History****Dr. Jessica Allen**, Atlanta Botanical Garden**LINKING, MONITORING, FORECASTING AND MANAGEMENT Q&A****BREAK 3:15 - 3:30 p.m.****BUILD YOUR SKILLS, SHARE YOUR SKILLS BREAKOUT SESSIONS**

3:30 - 5 p.m.

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5 - 7 p.m., Hors d'oeuvres and cash bar

*Poster Session sponsored by Naples Botanic Garden**Reception sponsored by the Atlanta Botanical Garden**Pre-registration required. Poster abstracts can be submitted online. Poster session presenters set up during breaks or lunch.***Working to protect the world's endangered plants and animals.**

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See past presentations atlantabg.org/sc



DAY 3 | PLENARY ACTIVITIES HELD IN DAY HALL UNLESS OTHERWISE NOTED

THURSDAY, MARCH 5

REGISTRATION & CHECK-IN

7:45 a.m. – 2 p.m. | Hardin Visitor Center

COFFEE & NETWORKING

7:45 am – 8:15 a.m. | Mershon Hall

POLICY & ADVOCACY

*Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Wildlife Conservation Section*

8:15 – 9:30 a.m.

Regional and National Conservation Initiatives

Dr. Jon Ambrose, Georgia Department of Natural Resources
Wildlife Conservation Section

Regional Species of Greatest Conservation Need: Plants in the Southeastern U.S.

Dr. Elizabeth Crisfield, Strategic Stewardship Initiative

Native Plant Conservation Campaign – a National Native Plant Society for the United States

Dr. Emily B. Roberson, National Plant Conservation Campaign

Strategies for Plant Conservation: Progress Since 2011 and Targets for 2030

Abby Meyer, Botanic Gardens Conservation International, U.S.

AT-RISK SPECIES & SEPPCON UPDATES

9:30 – 10:15 a.m.

Southeastern Partners in Plant Conservation: 2016 Conference Successes

Carrie Radcliffe, Atlanta Botanical Garden

The Southeast Multi-Species ESA Listing Petition Turns 10: An Update on the Campaign to Gain Protections for Imperiled Freshwater Species

Tierra Curry, Center for Biological Diversity

At-Risk Species Workshops, Reflections, and Responsibilities

Chuck Hunter, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Ephemeral Wetlands Management Workshops in Florida and North Carolina

Dennis David, National Wildlife Refuge Association

Restoration and Fire in Ephemeral Wetlands

Carrie Sekerak, Ocala National Forest

At-Risk Species & SEPPCON Updates Q&A

BREAK 10:15 - 10:30 a.m.

RIGHTS OF WAY MANAGEMENT

Sponsored by Georgia Power Company
10:30 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Remnant Prairies and Sun-Loving Plant Communities in Southeastern Rights of Ways

Dr. Dwayne Estes, Southeastern Grasslands Initiative

Roadside Defenders Update from Pre-Conference Monday Meeting, Plant Conservation Issues on Roadsides and Right of Ways in Alabama

Patrick Thompson, Alabama Plant Conservation Alliance

Georgia's New Roadside Aesthetic

Meg Hedeem, Georgia Department of Transportation

Rare Plant Recovery in Roadway Rights-of-Way

Sujai Veeramachaneni, Georgia Department of Transportation

Improved Data Collection Measures for Identification of Protected Plants on Proposed Transportation Projects

Hannah Held, Georgia Department of Transportation

Roadside Remnant Communities and Rare Species Conservation in Kentucky: Can We Work with State Transportation Agencies to Identify, Manage and Conserve Important Botanical Areas Along Roadside Right of Ways?

Tara Littlefield, Office of Kentucky Nature Preserves

Documenting and Protecting Grassland Communities Along Highway ROWs in Tennessee

Cooper Breeden, Southeastern Grasslands Initiative / TPCA

Plant Conservation Programs of the Georgia Power Company

Jim Ozier, Georgia Power Company

Managing Rights of Way for Resource Benefit

Allyson Read, Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area,
National Park Service

Rights of Way Management Q&A



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The Atlanta Botanical Garden is pleased to announce the formation of The Global Conservation Consortium for Magnolia (GCCM) in partnership with Botanical Gardens Conservation International (BGCI). The GCCM has been established to ensure that no wild species of Magnolia becomes extinct.



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LUNCH WITH CONCURRENT ACTIVITIES

12 – 1:15 p.m.

Lunch choices selected during online registration

Conservation Tours Meet by Levy Parterre
Extra Networking Time
Strategic Group Meeting

PRIVATE LANDS CONSERVATION

Sponsored by Georgia Power Company

1:15 – 2:45 p.m.

Introduction & Overview

Scott Wiggers, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

Partnerships and Private Lands: The Key to Longleaf Ecosystem Restoration

Carol Denhof, Longleaf Alliance

Pathways to Private Landowner Plant Stewardship

Robert Smith, Wildlife Mississippi

Reversing Declines of Grasslands Biodiversity with the Regional Conservation Partnership Program in the Interior Low Plateau Ecoregion

Jeremy French, Southeast Grasslands Initiative/Quail Forever

U.S. Fish & Wildlife Coastal and Partners Programs

April Punsalan, U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service

The “Bog”Shed: The Importance of Headwaters to Species Protection

Brenda L. Wicchman, North Carolina Natural Heritage Program

Working with Private Landowners to Conserve Critically Endangered Plant Species

Juliet Rynear, Florida Native Plant Society

Rare Plant Habitat Protection on Butler Conservation Fund's Black River, SC Private Lands: *Macbridea caroliniana* on a Fire-Managed Disturbed Site, *Stewartia malacodendron* and *Collinsonia sp.* on Remnant Levee Patches, and *Isoetes* *hymenalis* on a Road

Cecelia Dailey, The Citadel

Restoring Federally Endangered Plant Species *Oxypolis* *canbyi* and *Schwalbea americana* and Their Habitats on Two Private Conservation Properties in South Carolina

Dr. Jeff Glitzenstein, Tall Timbers Research Station

Natural History and Population Status of a Rare Shrub, the Miccosukee Gooseberry, on Private Land in North Florida

R. Todd Engstrom, Tall Timbers Research Station

Abandoning Risky Agriculture and Leveraging Natural Capital: A County-Level Method for Identifying Conservation Opportunity

Dr. James Luken, Coastal Carolina University

PRIVATE LANDS CONSERVATION PANEL DISCUSSION

2:45 p.m. – 3:15 p.m.

Jim Ozier, Georgia Power Company

Carol Denhof, Longleaf Alliance

Robert Smith, Wildlife Mississippi

Brenda Wicchman, North Carolina Natural Heritage Program

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CALL TO ACTION, NEXT STEPS & STRATEGIC GOALS

3:30 - 4:30 p.m.

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POST-CONFERENCE: SE REGIONAL PCA PLANNING MEETING

4:45 – 6:15 p.m.

Follow up to conference closing session for individuals willing and able to actively assist in the implementation of a formal regional network and address priorities identified during the conference. Day Hall. (Pre-registration required)

DAY 4 | POST-CONFERENCE

FRIDAY, MARCH 6

PRIORITIZING EFFORTS TOWARDS PLANT CONSERVATION IN THE SOUTHEAST WORKSHOP

9 a.m. – 12 p.m. | Mershon Hall

Sponsored by Jacksonville Zoo & Gardens

Dr. Gwen Iacona, Resources for the Future/ Arizona State University

Videography and A/V sponsored by Center for Plant Conservation.
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IN LOVING MEMORY *of*
Tom "Trillium" Patrick

December 5, 1944 - August 22, 2019

Exceptional Botanist, Conservation Partner, Friend & Mentor
 Georgia Department of Natural Resources, Wildlife Conservation Section
 Georgia Plant Conservation Alliance