



Gleanings

a monthly newsletter from The Gesneriad Society, Inc.

(articles and photos selected from Chapter newsletters, our journal *Gesneriads*, and original sources)

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Welcome to the latest issue of **Gleanings!** This issue includes photos from the 57th annual Gesneriad Society Convention hosted by the Toronto Gesneriad Society as well as information about the Seed Fund promotional contest.

Hope you enjoy **Gleanings!**

Mel Grice, Editor



The CN Tower was one of many sights to see in Toronto, Ontario, Canada that convention attendees enjoyed. A sampling of Flower Show entries may be found on the pages that follow.



Gesneriad Society 2013 Flower Show photos

Some of the special plants exhibited

(Go to www.gesneriadsociety.org to view photos of the award winners in each class)



Sinningia 'Flamenco Apricot Bouquet'
Best in Show
Paul Lee



Columnnea 'Indian Feather'
Runner-up to Best in Show
Robert Hall





Sinningia tuberosa
Bill Price



Sinningia 'An's Nyx'
Lan Jiun Wu



Achimenes 'Glory'
Eileen McGrath



Columnea 'Broget Stavanger'
Brett Flewelling



Primulina wentsaii
Bill Price

This critically endangered species from China grows in rock crevices. The narrow succulent foliage is an adaptation to seasonal drought.

The white marks on the foliage are a normal characteristic of this species and do not indicate the presence of pests.*

*Excerpt from educational card that accompanied this specimen.



Streptocarpus 'Spin Art' - Olga Semova

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Aeschynanthus 'Mira'
Jill Fischer



Episcia 'Pink Dreams'
Beverley Williams
Bob Clark photo

All photos by Mel Grice except where noted



Streptocarpus 'Cape Cool Blue'
Ron Myhr



Primulina drakei (Vietnam)
Beverley Williams

See all 22 YouTube videos of Flower Show entries created by Peter Shalit by clicking on this link: <http://bit.ly/16YHSc1>



Gasteranthus anomalus
Nancy Kast

"*Gasteranthus anomalus* was collected in lowland tropical wet forest on limestone in 2012. Most *Gasteranthus* are found along riverbanks, waterfalls, or other wet areas. They need 100% humidity for us to grow well in our homes. The leaves are coriaceous (leathery, tough) in a basal rosette. This species lacks the usual spur that many *Gasteranthus* have. It grows to 20 cm tall. It is endemic to a small area in the Rio Magdalena valley in Colombia."*

*Excerpt from educational card that accompanied this specimen.



Photo courtesy of Ron Myhr



Sinningia speciosa 'Pedra Lisa'
Eileen McGrath



Achimenes cettoana
Karyn Cichocki

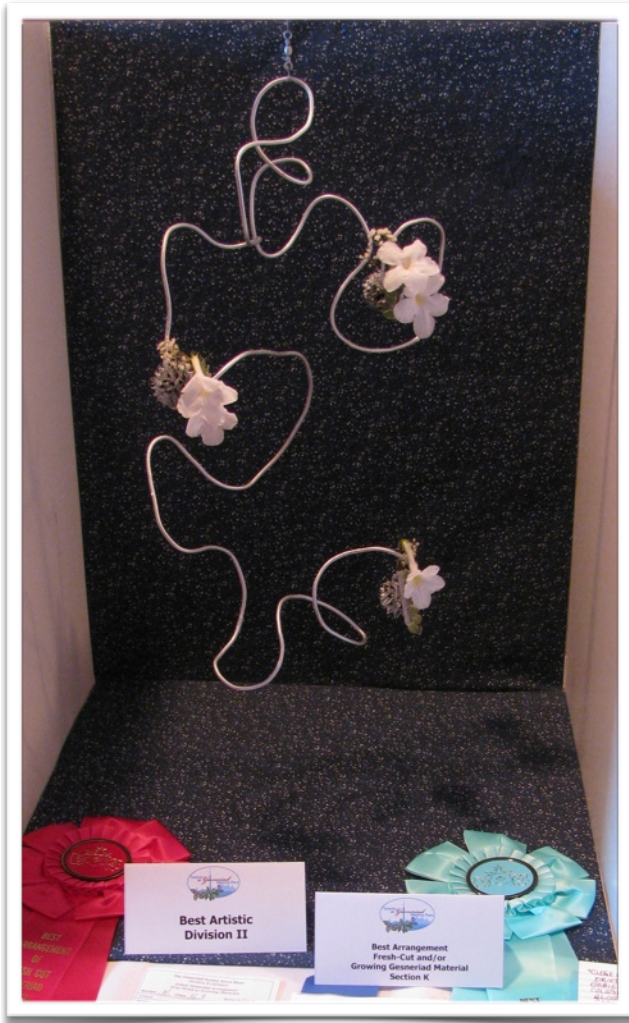


Sinningia speciosa 'Empress Mix'
Ron Myhr



Drymonia ecuadorensis 'Red Elegance'
Robert Hall

Artistic and the Arts



"Close Encounters"
Barbara Festenstein
Stephen Maciejewski photo



Natural garden
Deanna Belli



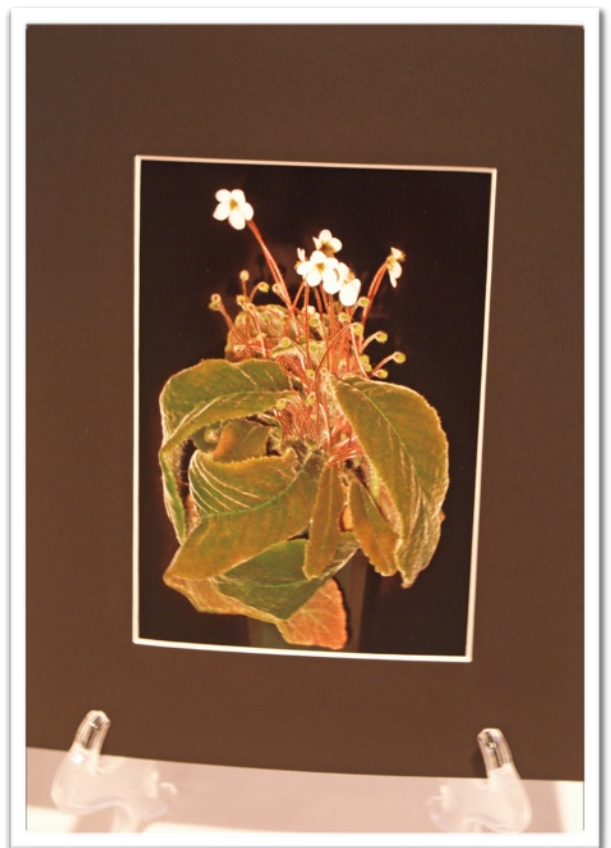
"Meeting of the Minds"
Steve Kerr



Challenge Class
"Secret Rendezvous"
Jill Fischer



Codonanthe digna picture quilt
Julie Mavity-Hudson



Color print of *Amalophyllon macrophyllum*
GRE 12904
Dale Martens

Seed Fund Promotional Contest

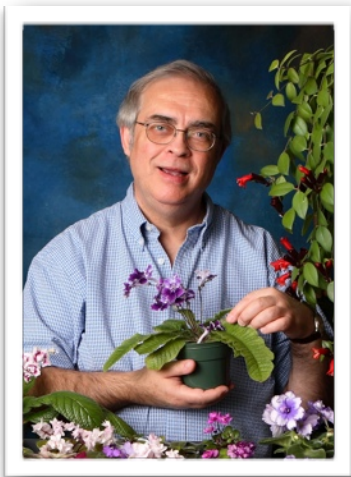
To encourage donations to the Gesneriad Society Seed Fund, there will be a contest commencing on January 1, 2014. There will be first and second place prizes given to the persons who make the most donations to the Gesneriad Society Seed Fund. The number of individual types of seed that each donator contributes (not the number of seeds) will be kept track of for the period of January 1 through December 31, 2014.

Each prize (\$25 for first and \$15 for second) will be a gift certificate of the winner's choice from the list below:

- Convention plant sales
- Seed Fund
- Gesneriad Society shop
- Commercial grower of winner's choice



Watercolor painting of *Primulina* 'Deco'
Bruce Boyd



From the editor —

The Gesneriad Society Convention was a huge success thanks to the the members of the Toronto Gesneriad Society and all the other hard workers who helped in many ways. The photos in this issue represent just a fraction of the outstanding flower show entries!

Please continue sending articles. If you have suggestions, comments, or items for possible inclusion in future issues, please feel free to contact me at melsgrice@earthlink.net

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