

CONFERENCE PROGRAM

Wednesday, August 23, 8:00 a.m.-7:00 p.m.

8:00 a.m. **Registration.** Vendors set-up
10:30 a.m. **Tours** (10:30 a.m., 1:00 p.m., and 3:30 p.m.)
5:00 p.m. **Welcome mixer** – Climatron / Brookings Center

Thursday, August 24, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. **Registration**
9:00 a.m. **Vendors open**
Welcome and opening remarks

Session 1 – Aroids Overview

9:20 a.m. Thomas Croat. Araceae of Central America
9:40 a.m. Richard Keating. Aroid vegetative anatomy – an overview
10:00 a.m. Round table discussion & networking
10:30 a.m. **Coffee break**
Tours (10:30 – 11:30 a.m.)

Session 2 – Systematics and diversity

11:00 a.m. Xavier Delannay. Revision of *Rhodospatha* (Araceae)
11:20 a.m. Elmar Hentz. Taxonomic challenges in an enigmatic seasonal aroid (*Asterostigma*: Spathicarpeae)
11:40 a.m. Thomas Croat. New key to *Anthurium* (Araceae) sections
12:00 p.m. Round table discussion & networking
12:30 p.m. **Lunch**
1:00 p.m. **Tours** (1:00 – 2:00 p.m.)

Session 3 – Pollination Biology

2:00 p.m. Marc Gibernau. Pollination and chemical ecology of Araceae
2:20 p.m. Alejandro Zuluaga. New data on the pollination of Colombian aroids
2:40 p.m. Florian Etl. Evidence for the recruitment of florivorous plant bugs as pollinators
3:00 p.m. Round table discussion & networking
3:30 p.m. **Tours** (3:30 – 4:30 p.m.)

Friday, August 25, 8:00 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

8:00 a.m. **Registration**
9:00 a.m. **Vendors open**
Group photo

Session 4 – Systematics and Diversity

9:20 a.m. Robert Hormell. A Revision of *Anthurium* sect. *Cardiolonchium* (Araceae)
9:40 a.m. Tom Mines. Distribution and rates of endemism of *Philodendron* (Araceae) from South America
10:00 a.m. Round table discussion & networking
10:30 a.m. **Coffee break**
Tours (10:30 – 11:30 a.m.)

Session 5 – Posters session

11:00 a.m. **Lunch**
12:30 p.m. **Tours** (1:00 – 2:00 p.m.)

Session 6 – Aroid Living Collections

- 2:00 p.m. Emily Colletti. The changes over the years as the aroid greenhouse manager
2:20 p.m. Douglas Tavares. 40 years of aroid collection at Jean-Marie Pelt Botanical Garden (Nancy, France): contributions to the study of Araceae and horticultural challenges
2:40 p.m. Ivan Portilla. Discovery, Propagation and Conservation of Tropical Aroids in Ecuador
3:00 p.m. Round table discussion & networking
3:30 p.m. **Tours** (3:30 – 4:30 p.m.)

Saturday, August 26, 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.

- 8:00 a.m. **Registration**
9:00 a.m. **Vendors open**

Session 7 – Pollination Biology

- 9:00 a.m. Sandra Cuartas. Temporal dynamics of flowering in an *Anthurium* community and its flower visitor assemblage in the Parque Arví, Santa Elena (Antioquia, Colombia)
9:20 a.m. Corinna Ehn. Going for the booze – fermentation mimicking flowers with sugary rewards in two co-flowering *Anthurium* species (Araceae)
9:40 a.m. Heiko Hentrich. Evidence of specialization to an undescribed pollinator guild in the genus *Anthurium*
10:00 a.m. Round table discussion & networking
10:30 a.m. **Coffee break**

Session 8 – Phylogeny and evolution

- 11:00 a.m. Anna Haigh. Target sequence data shed new light on the infrafamilial classification of Araceae
11:20 a.m. Mónica Carlsen. Recent advances towards an accurate phylogenetic reconstruction of species relationships in the genus *Anthurium*
11:40 a.m. Marco Cedeño. Preliminary outcomes in the molecular phylogenetic relationships and morphological assessment of *Philodendron* species in Central America
12:00 p.m. Round table discussion & networking
12:30 p.m. **Lunch**

Session 9 – Future perspectives

- 2:00 p.m. Simon Mayo. Describing Araceae species: perspectives for the future
2:20 p.m. Jay Vannini. Ultraviolet induced visual fluorescence in the Araceae: A primer
2:40 p.m. **Prizes. Awards. Closing ceremony**
Best Student Poster and Best Student Talk
International Aroid Society - Bette Waterbury Award for Excellence in Aroid Horticulture
International Aroid Society - H.W. Schott Award for Excellence in Aroid Research
Proposal for XV International Aroid Conference

4:30 p.m. **Closing Banquet** – Valle Escondido (Thomas Croat's home)