

# The International Aroid Society

*A review of its founding and its role in  
Research with Araceae on the  
occasion of its 40<sup>th</sup> Anniversary*

Thomas B. Croat, Ph.D.  
Paul A. Schulze Curator of Botany  
3 February, 2018



# The Founders



Rotolante



Magrew



Monroe Birdsey



Larriann Garner



Donna Rich



Tom Fennell

Bette Waterbury



Ron Weeks



Patricia Frank

# Initiation and Planning

- 1977: 17 aroid devotees in Miami Area
- Meeting at **Bette Waterbury's** home on Jun 18, 1977
- 1<sup>st</sup> Year Attendance: **Tom Fennell**, Gary **Antosh**, Eric **Beers**, **Shirley Crete**, **Josephine Deville**, **Amy Donovan**, John Faust, **Alan Fernández**, Dewey **Fisk**, **Peggy Fisher**, **Patricia Frank**, Larriann **Garner**, Joan **Hackler**, Alan **Herndon**, Marilyn **Johnson**, **Wilma & Dale Magrew**, **Bruce McManus**, **Steve & Marie Nock**, David & **Jerry Pruittinen**, David **Prudhomme**, Donna **Rich**, Roy & Enid Rosenthal, Denis **Rotolante**, Marilyn **Turner**, **Susan Steiger**, **Linda Theus**, Jim **Watson**, Ron **Weeks** and **Marie Winter**. (33 Total)
- **Alan Herndon** elected temporary chairman, at 2<sup>nd</sup> meeting
- **Gary Antosh** elected Acting Chairman.
- Decision made to found the International Aroid Society.

# 1st Officers and Professional Directorate

**Officers:** President Bette **Waterbury**, Vice President Allen **Fernandez**, Treasurer John Faust, Recording Secretary Shirley **Crete**, Corresponding Secretary Marilyn **Turner**, Membership Patricia **Frank**

**Directors:** Richard Baker, Monroe Birdsey, Josef Bogner, Tom Croat, Mike Madison, Bruce McAlpin, Simon Mayo, Dan Nicolson, Sue Thompson [By 1986 David Burnett & Roberto Burle Marx were added]



# The Amazing 1<sup>st</sup> Year- 1978

- IAS participated in Miami Flower Show and received 1<sup>st</sup> Prize in Educational category
- April: Aroideana was founded
- June: IAS had **100** members
- July: Membership **206** with 21 States and 15 foreign countries represented
- October: IAS incorporated
- End of 1978: **362** members
- 1<sup>st</sup> plant auction brought in \$1,185

# Other IAS Chapters

- Florida West Coast Aroid Guild (Mark Moffler, Barry Schwartz, Lynn Hannon, Murlene Lydon, etc.)
- Florida Southwest Florida Chapter (Joe Wright, John Banta)
- Australian Aroid Chapter (David Burnett), Feb, 1981 (54 members). First Australian Aroid Show “The World of Aroids”, Nov, 1984
- Midwest Chapter (Steve Lucas, Zach DuFran & Tom Croat)



# Presidents of IAS

Fernández  
McManus  
Beers

Total of 16

Bette **Waterbury** - 1977-1979

Alan **Fernandez** - 1980

Eric **Beers** - 1981

Bette **Waterbury** - 1982

Jerry **Bengis** - 1983

Bette **Waterbury** - 1984 (4)

Susan **Steiger** - 1985

Bruce **McManus** - 1986 - 1987

Dewey **Fisk** - 1988-1989

David **Leicht** - 1990 - 1993 (3)

Susan **Steiger** - 1994 - 1996 (4)

Dewey **Fisk** - 1997 - 1999 (5)

Denis **Rotolante** - 2000-2001

Scott **Hyndman** - 2002

Albert **Huntington** - 2003 - 2005

Dan **Levin** - 2006 - 2007

Denis **Rotolante** - 2008 (3)

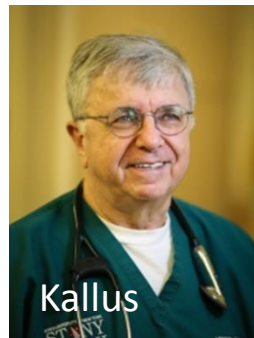
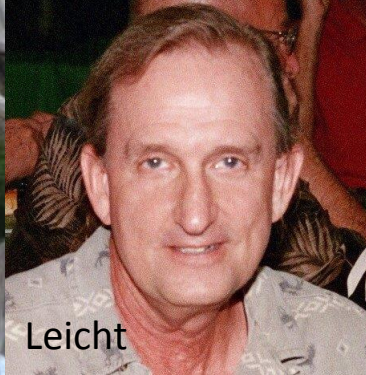
Ron **Weeks** - 2009

Lester **Kallus** - 2010 - 2011

Zach **DuFran** - 2012 - 2013

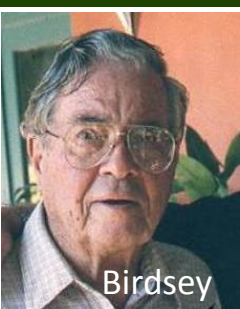
Albert **Huntington** - 2014 (4)

Enid **Offolter** - 2015 - 2017 (3)

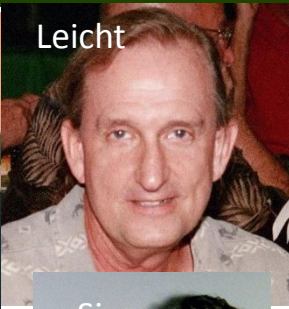




# Members of the Board ca. 60



Birdsey



Leicht



Moonen



Sizemore



Schmidt



Atwood



Rich



McDaniel



Weeks



Greer



Garner



Thompson



Fuerstein



Frank



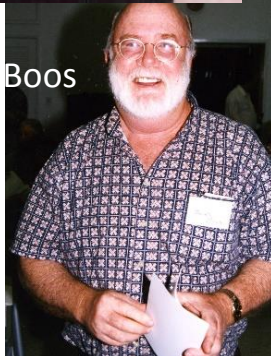
Schrimsher



Magrew



Fisk



Boos



Rotolante



Burns



Busse



Whitehead



# Journal Aroideana

- Origination of **Aroideana**- Michael Madison, editor. 1<sup>st</sup> issue (May, 1978) **Michael Madison** serves as Editor (1978 - 1981). Moves to California in 1984.
- **Monroe Birdsey** becomes 2<sup>nd</sup> Editor. (1982); John Banta & Fisk co-editors
- **Dewey Fisk**, 3<sup>rd</sup> editor (1983 - 1985). Derek Burch, Tom Croat & David Prudhomme become co-editors.
- **Mark Moeffler**, Editor beginning with 2<sup>nd</sup> issue of 1985 through 1986 [died 4 Nov, 1986]
- **John Banta**, 1987 with co-editor, Tom Croat
- **Craig Morell**, 1988 with co-editor Tom Croat (with 2<sup>nd</sup> issue also Amy Donovan)
- **Amy Donovan**, 1989 - 1998 (with Scientific Editor Tom Croat and Assistant Editor Petra Malesevich)
- **Peter Boyce**, 1999 - 2001 (with Scientific Editor Croat)
- **Derek Burch**, 2002 - 2017 (with Scientific Editor Croat)

Only 8 Editors in 40 years



Boyce



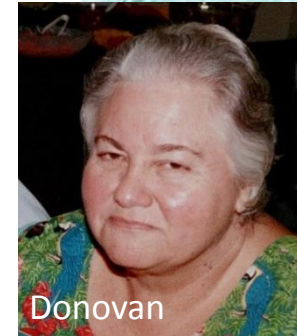
Madison



Morell



Moeffler



Donovan



Fisk



Birdsey



Banta



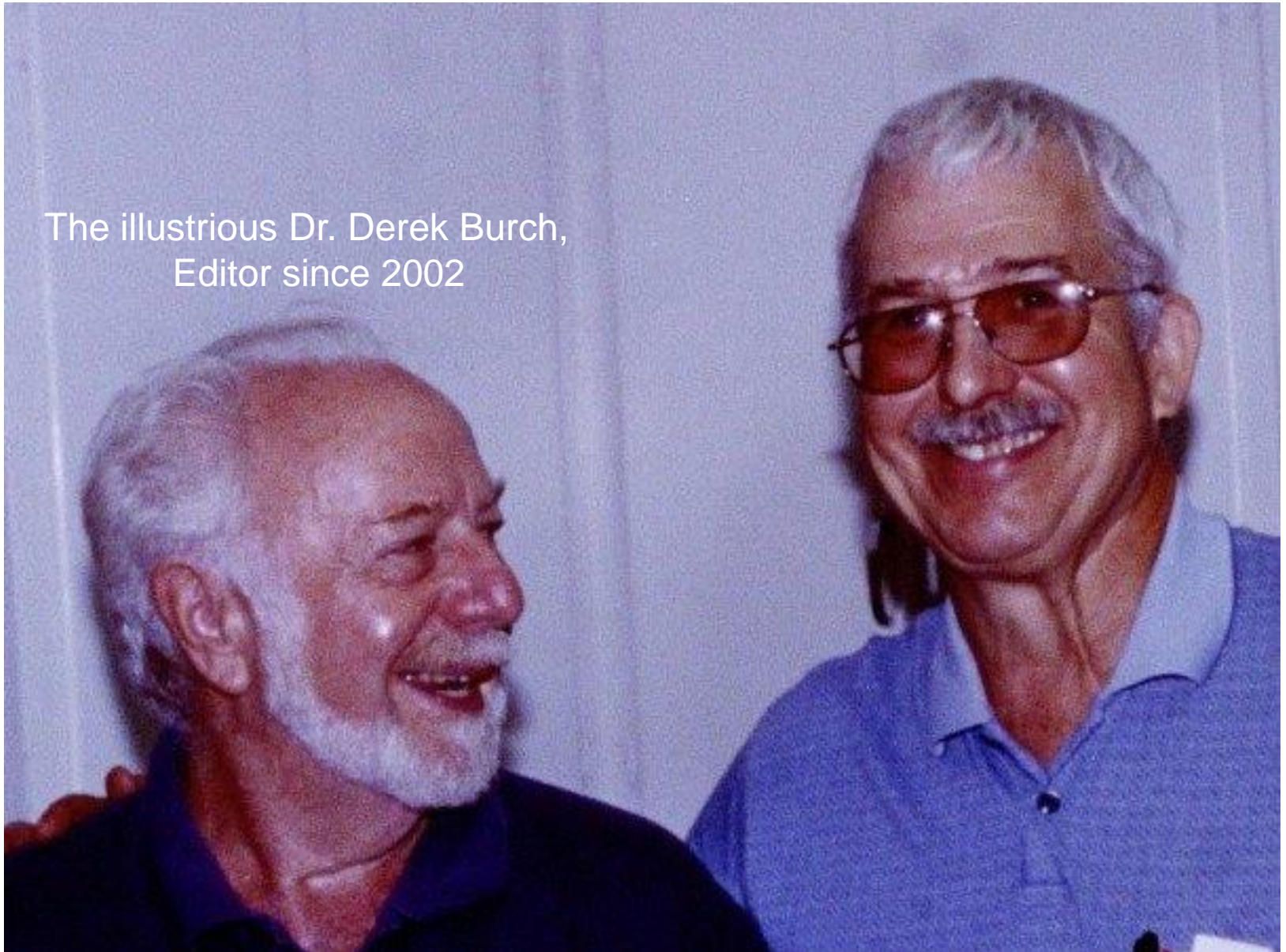
Burch



Croat

# Current Editor of Aroideana

The illustrious Dr. Derek Burch,  
Editor since 2002



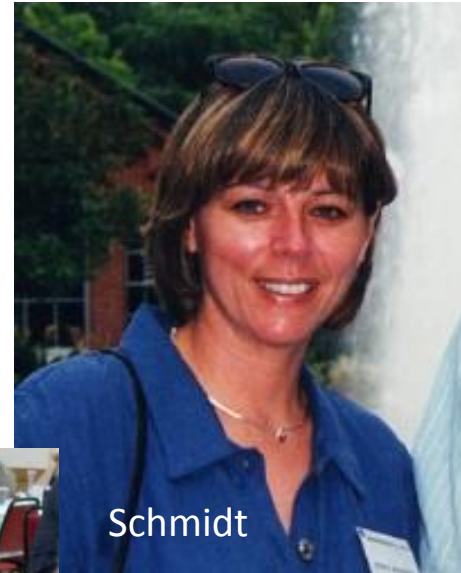


# IAS Newsletter Editors

- 1985 Larry Garner
- 1986 James McArthur
- 1987 - 1988 David Leedy
- 1989 McManus
- 1990 - 1991 McManus
- 1993 - 1995 Croat / Schmidt
- 1996 - 1998 Sue Thompson
- 2000 - 2001 Neil Carroll
- 2002 - 2003 Michael Pascal
- 2004 Croat / Emily Yates
- 2005 - 2018 Carla Kostelac



Thompson



Schmidt



Emily Yates



Kostelac



David Leedy

# Research with Araceae

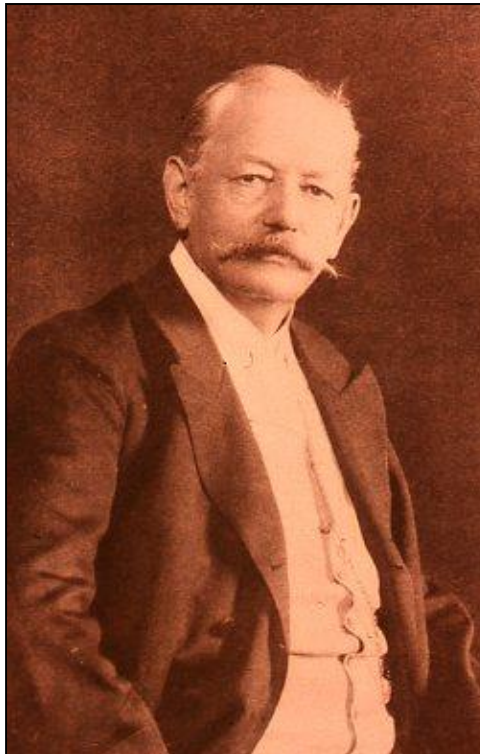
## Our Aroid Ancestors

- Mostly European workers
- Typically working on a world-wide basis

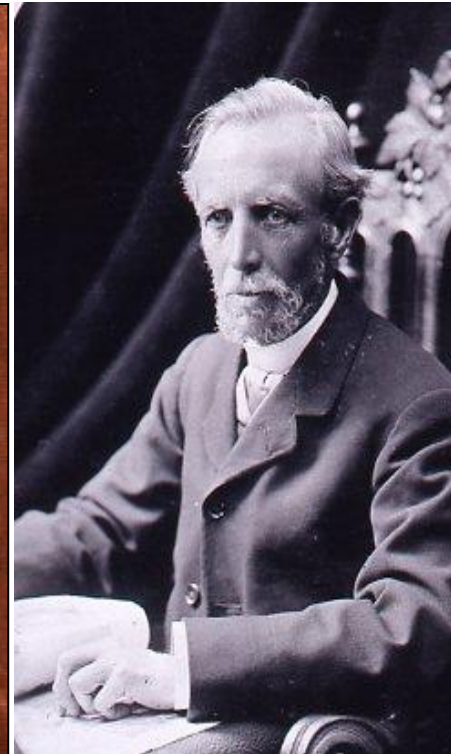
H. W Schott



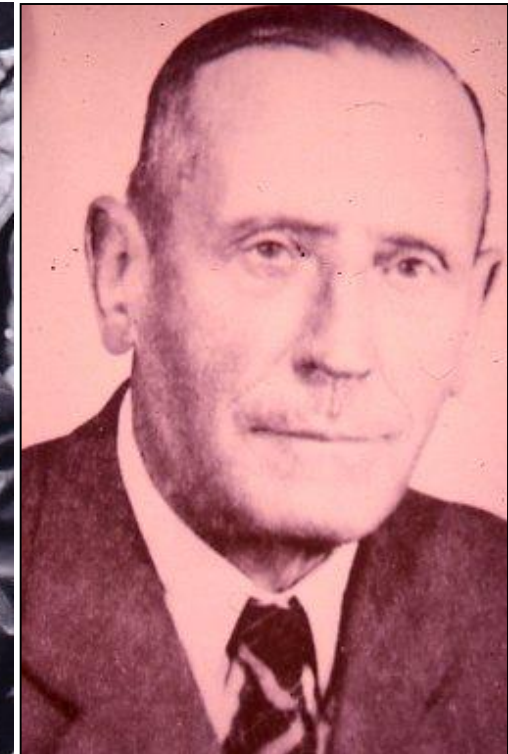
Adolf Engler



N.E. Brown



Kurt Krause





# Our Aroid Ancestors



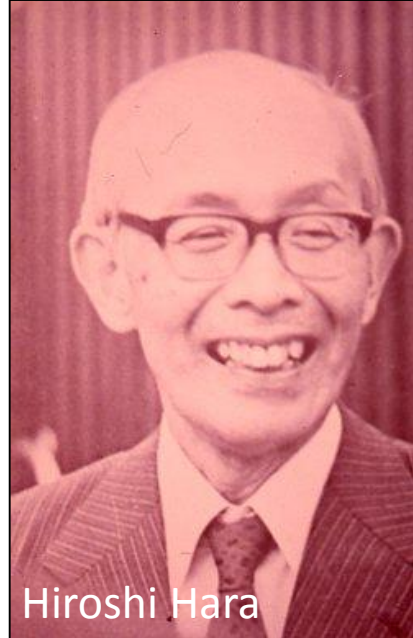
Eizi Matuda



Mitsuru Hotta &  
Hiroshi Okada



Paul Standley



Hiroshi Hara



Karl Koch's Family

# Other Important Aroiders

## Special Mentions





# Annual Show and Sale in Miami at Fairchild Garden

- Friday afternoon set up
- Saturday Sale and Show
- Saturday lectures
- Cocktails and Banquet
- Annual Banquet Speakers
- Awards Ceremonies
- Plant Auction
- Sunday breakfast
- Annual Board Meeting
- Local Excursions to Growers



# The Always Welcoming Fairchild Gardens





# Annual Show- The Setup

Bill Rotolante



Albert Huntington  
& Bill Rotolante



Marc Gibernau





Dorothy Henkel, Mark Moffler, Jose Bueno & Monroe Bridsey



Chris Rogers, Denis Rotolante & Julius Boos



Atwood & Fisk



Chris Rogers







Denis Rotolante & Ted Held



Enid Offalter, Brian Williams, Julius Boos & Tom Croat



Denis Rotolante, Tom Croat,  
Eduardo Gonçalves & Ron Kaufman



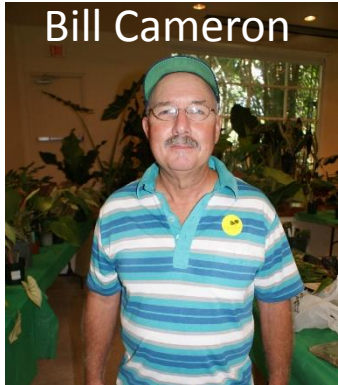
IAS Show

Don Bittel, Scott Hyndman,  
Bill Rotolante, Enid Offalter,  
Ron Weeks, Alex Bello



# Aroid Show and folks visiting

Bill Cameron



Lee Jacob



Boyce, Held & Knight



Steve Resh



John Banta & Bruce McAlpin



Barry Schwarz  
& Enid Offolter



Boehmer & Upton





Larry Schockman  
with Mic



Steve & Marie Nock, Tom Croat



Don Levin & Ron Kaufman



Dick Mansell &  
Mary Sizemore





# Plant Sales - The Selling



Lester Kallus packing his booty



A busy morning at the sales desk



Plant sales tables.



Lester Kallus & Denis Rotolante



Donna Rich?





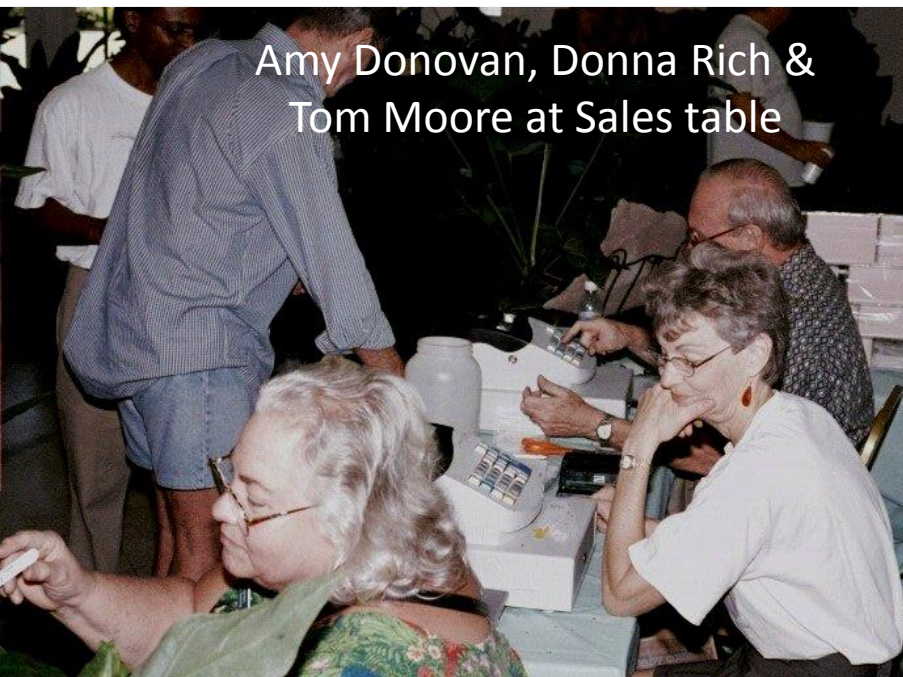
Ecuagenera Table



Enid Offolter



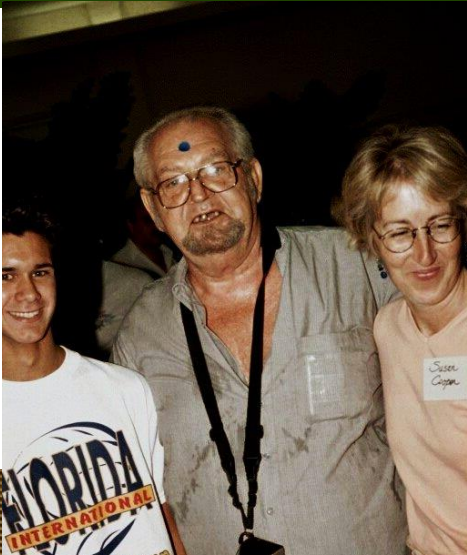
Amy Donovan, Donna Rich & Tom Moore at Sales table



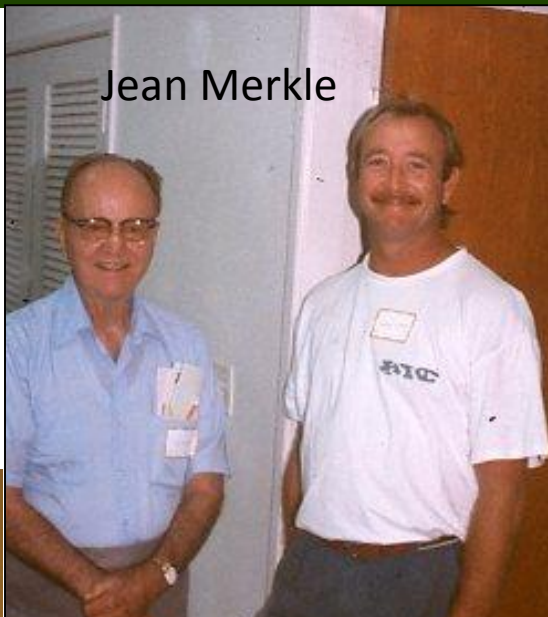
Ron Kaufman, Don Bittel







Dewey Fisk &  
Susan Cooper



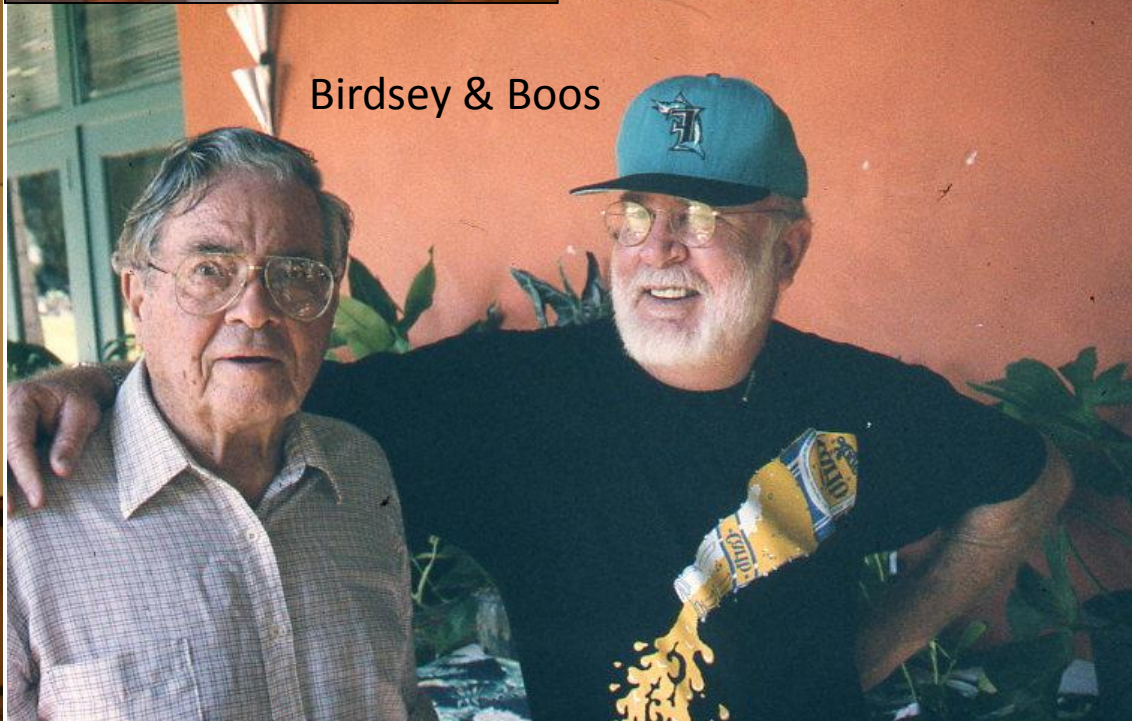
Jean Merkle



Ken Mosher



Lynda LaRoca, Ron Weeks  
& Mary Anderson



Birdsey & Boos



# Plant Display at Aroid Show





A place to see some stunning aroids,  
the best Miami has to offer





# Judging the Aroid Show Display



# Saturday Afternoon Lectures

Wilbert Hetterscheid



John Banta



Kathy Upton



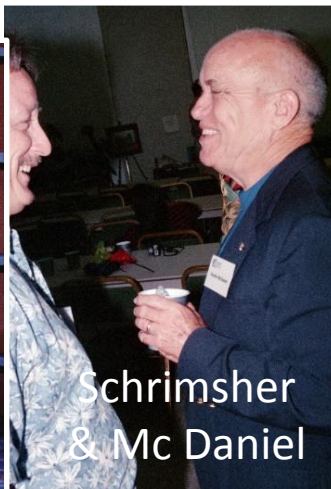


# Cocktail Hour at the Banquet

Murline Lydon, Mary Sizemore,  
Julius Boos & Lynne Hannon



Schrimsher  
& Mc Daniel



Babett Sackler & Loren Kotler



Larriane Garner, John Banta,  
Pete Boyce & José Bono



Jorge &  
Dan Keys





# Annual Banquet Social



Burch & Banta



Food servers Schrimsher,  
Bittel & Williams



Mary Anderson,  
Our favorite  
Cuban cook





# Annual Banquet



Donna Rich & Tom Moore





# Banquet Speakers



- 2016 – Wong Sin Yeng ( Malaysia )
- 2015 – Harri Lorenzi ( Brazil )
- 2014 – Felipe Cardona ( Colombia )
- 2013 – M. Sivadasan ( Saudi Arabia / India)
- 2012 – Ivan Portilla, Ecuagenera ( Ecuador )
- 2011 – Peter Boyce, USM ( Malaysia )
- 2010 – Scott Mori ( NYC )
- 2009 – Tom Croat ( MOBOT )
- 2008 – Marc Gibernau ( France )
- 2007 – Leland Miyano ( Hawaii )
- 2006 – Eduardo Goncalves ( Brazil )
- 2005 – Joep Moonen ( Fr. Guyana )
- 2004 – Ron Gagliardo ( Atlanta )
- 2003 – Wilbert Hetterscheid
- 2002 – Alistair Hay (Sydney )
- 2001 – Frank Brown ( Florida )
- 2000 – Simon Mayo ( Kew )



# The Awards Presentations



Best in Show Awards



Service Awards



Bette Waterbury Award







Mora



Carlsen



## Monroe Birdsey Travel Award

Melanie Medecillo - 2008

Marcela Mora - 2004

Monica Carlsen - 2003

Eduardo Gonçalves - 2003

Jin Chen Hoe - 2012





# Bette Waterbury Award for Excellence in Aroid Horticulture

Josef Bogner - 1999 (St. Louis)

Lynn Hannon - 2004 (Sarawak)

Genevieve Ferry - 2012 (Miami)

Frank Brown - 2012 (Miami)

David Scherberich - 2017 (Cali)





# HW Schott Awards for Excellence in Aroid Research

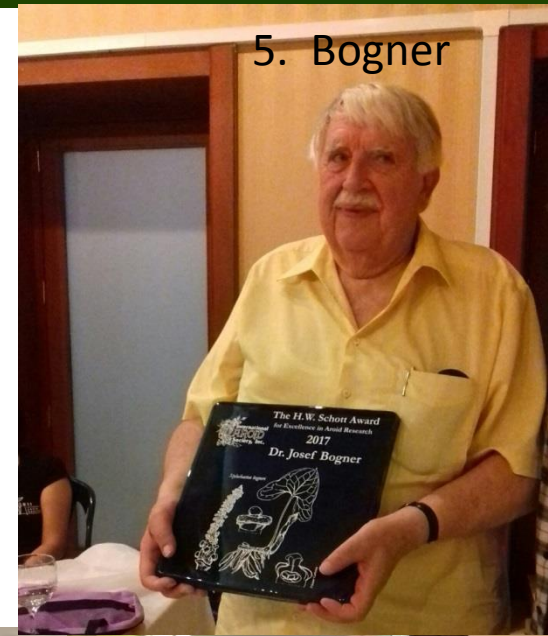
Dan Nicolson - 1999

Tom Croat - 2003

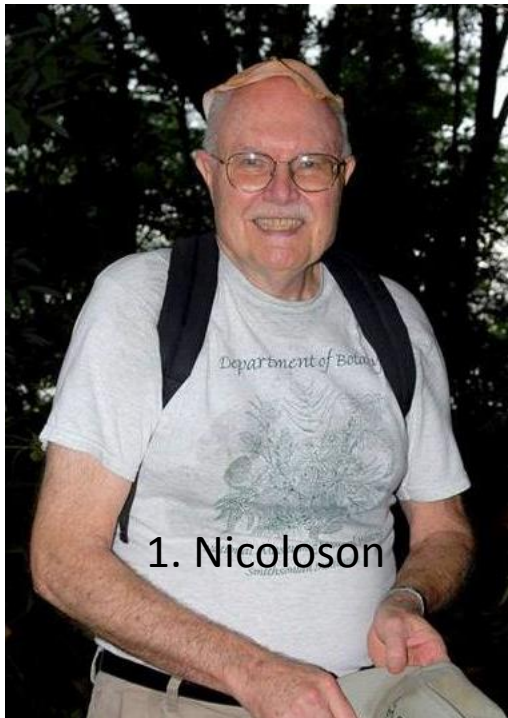
Derek Burch - 2009

Li Heng - 2013

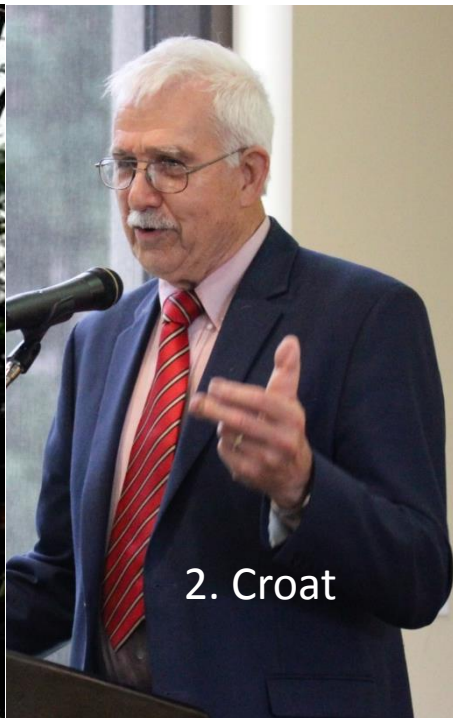
Josef Bogner - 2017



5. Bogner



1. Nicolson



2. Croat



3. Burch



4. Li Heng



# Tricia Frank Service Award

Albert Huntington - 2016

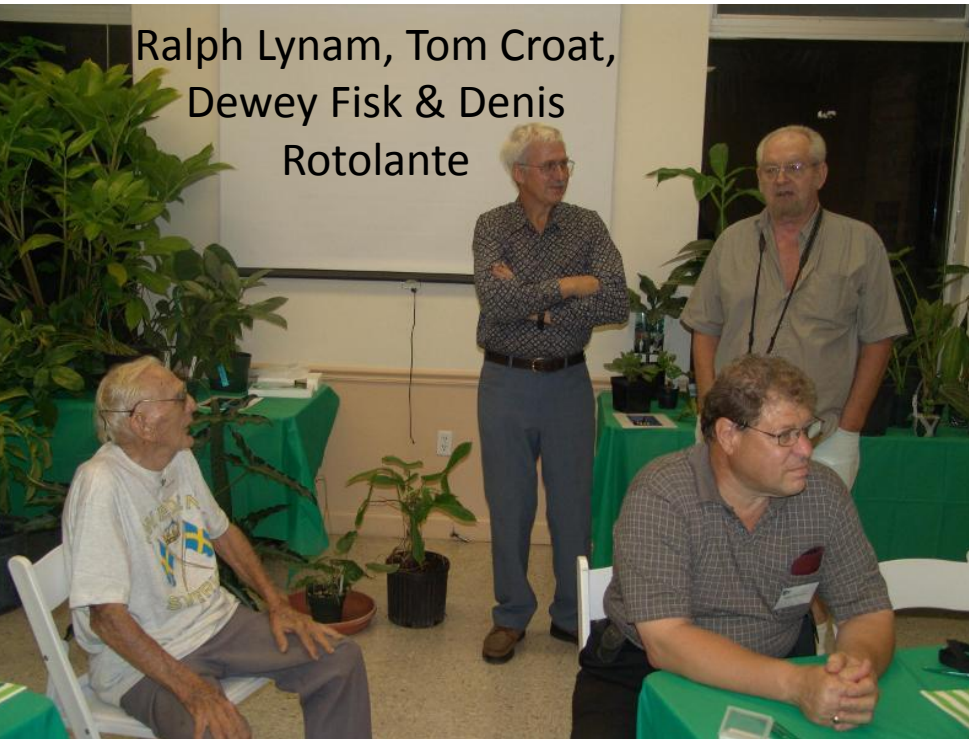
While this is a new award it is one that should be given frequently to recognize those who do something special for the IAS or who are just always there to play an important role for the organization.





# Preparing for the Plant Auction

Ralph Lynam, Tom Croat,  
Dewey Fisk & Denis  
Rotolante



Neil & Kathy Carroll with son  
Zak, now 24!





# Plant Auction



Julius Boos and the Toms auctioning plants



Ted Held describing the wonders of *Cryptocoryne*.











Sale of the big fish –  
*Anthurium espirotu-sanctae*

Bittel buys the  
big one!



Denis & Bill Rotolante generate new plants  
for sale almost every year.



Tom Croat & Don Bittel with José Bono



# Sunday morning Breakfast in Coconut Grove

Sue Thompson at breakfast in Coral Gables





IAS Group at breakfast in Coral Gables.



# Annual Board Meeting on Sunday

Hetterscheid, Kallus, Espinola Andover, Pat Rich, Boos, Hannon, Hyndman, Huntington & Rotolante





# Trips to Homestead and to other local growers

Visiting Silver Chrome in Homestead



Huntington, Gibernau & Rotolante



Steve and Marie Nocks  
plantyard

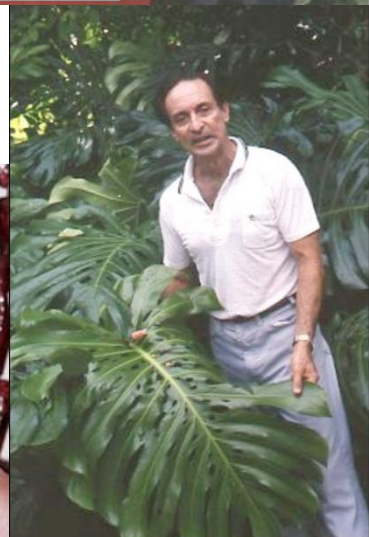


Albert Huntington, Denis Rotolante &  
Dan Levin



# Aroid Growers - Miami

Julius Alexander  
Monroe Birdsey  
Don Bittel  
Frank Brown  
Luis Bueno  
Micky Carmichael  
Fairchild Gardens - James Watson,  
Craig Allen, Jason Lopez  
Amy Donovan  
Dewey Fisk  
Larriane Garner  
Jim Georgusis (Oglesby Nursery)  
Jerry Horn  
Marilyn Johnson  
Kampong - Larry Schokman  
Ralph Lynam  
Steve & Marie Nock  
Enid Offalter  
Elaine Spear & Rick Neidhart  
Roland Wagner  
Bette Waterbury  
Ron Weeks





# Florida - Other



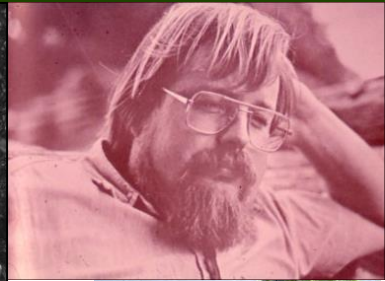
Madison

Selby Gardens - Mike Madison,  
Dodson, Luther, Wiehler, Atwood  
John Banta

Lynn Hannon  
Murline Lydon  
Mary Sizemore  
Joe Wright  
Jake Henney  
Bruce McAlpin  
Mark Moffler  
John (Jack) Johnston  
Jack Williford



Larry Schokman,  
Roberto Burle-Marx



Banta



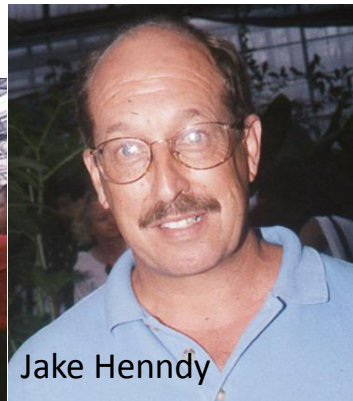
Sizemore



Lynn Hannon in her Greenhouse, by Ken Wahl



D. Atwood and D. Rotalante



Jake Henney



Marion Osiecki



Randy Strode





Though Murline's collection did not rival Lynn Hannon's in terms of number of new species it remained one of the best in Florida until near the time of her death

Murline Lydon and Tom Croat



# Important Collections in Midwest

Tom Croat - Missouri Botanical Garden  
Richard Sheffer - University of Indiana, NW  
Betsy Feuerstein - Glasshouse Works, Ohio  
Steve Lucas - Arkansas  
James Waddick - Kansas City  
Brian Williams - Louisville  
Kathy Upton - University of Missouri  
Victor Soukup - University of Cincinnati



Kathy Upton



Betsy Feuerstein



Emily Colletti



Sheffer



Brian Williams



Vic Soukup



# Other Important Collections in Continental US

Bruce McAlpin - New York Botanical Garden

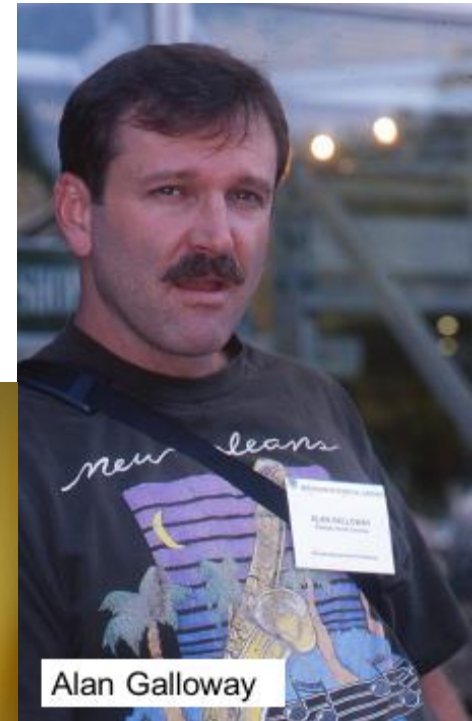
Tony Avent - Raleigh

Alan Galloway – Raleigh - Amorphophallus specialist

Neil Carroll

Lester Kallus - New York

Craig & Fanny Phillips - Baltimore





# California Growers

- Rick Cirino
- Mardy Darian
- Henry Donselman (d. 2012)
- Dylan Hannon - Huntington
- Karel Havilcek (d. April, 2008)
- Dorothy Henkle (to Hawaii, d. 2017)
- Ron Kaufman
- Dick Hull - San Diego
- Albert Huntington
- David Leedy (retired to Texas)
- Ralph McAfee
- Curt Pederson
- Jay Vannini
- Bill Virden (dead)
- Loren Whitelock (dead)
- LA County Arboretum
- Jay Vannini



Jay Vannini



Dylan Hannon

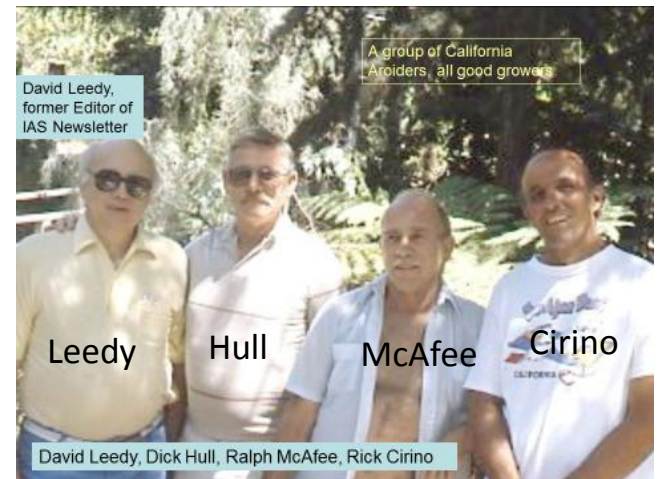
Dylan worked as Tom Croat's Research Assistant for 3 years. Has developed a wonderful collection of Aroids at Huntington

Dylan Hannon at Huntington



Ron Kaufman

David Leedy, Dick Hull, Ralph McAfee, Rick Cirino



David Leedy, former Editor of IAS Newsletter

A group of California Aroiders, all good growers

Leedy

Hull

McAfee

Cirino

David Leedy, Dick Hull, Ralph McAfee, Rick Cirino



Darian

Darian



Dorothy Henkle



# Hawaiian Aroiders



Ray Baker,  
Lyon Arboretum

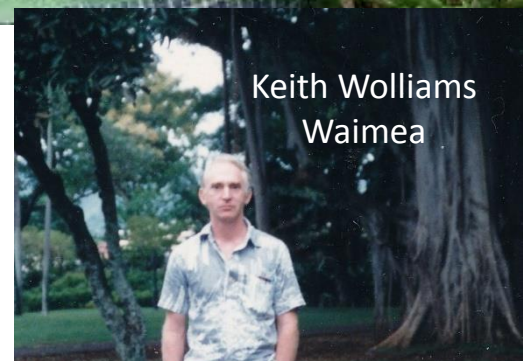
Dorothy Henkle  
Ray Baker - Lyon Arboretum  
Leland Miyano  
Haruyuki Kamemoto, Heide Kuehle  
Tagami  
Keith Wolliams - Foster Gardens  
Pacific Tropical Botanical Gardens  
Waimea Arboretum, Hawaii



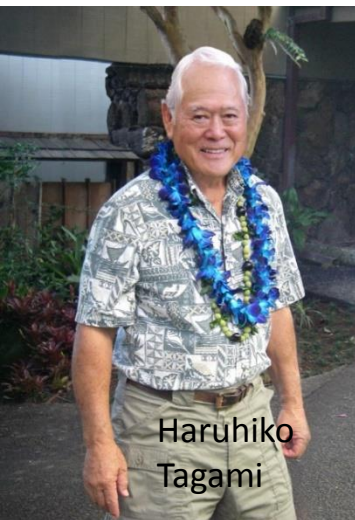
Kamemoto



Paul Weissich  
Foster Gardens



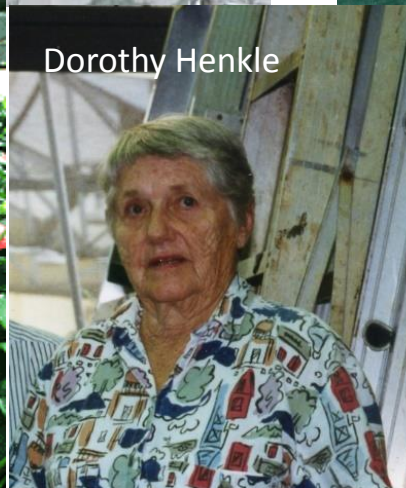
Keith Wolliams  
Waimea



Haruhiko  
Tagami



Kamemoto & Kuehle



Dorothy Henkle



Wolliams died 2011



# Latin America

Rio de Janeiro Botanical Garden - Graziella Barrozo, Marcus Nadruz

José Bono - Puerto Rico

Roberto Burle - Marx

Harri Lorenzi - Brazil, much collected by Eduardo Goncalves

Roberto Kautzky - Domingo Martins, Espiritu Santo

San Jorge Botanical Garden - German Oyuela

Bogota Botanical Garden

Joep Moonen - French Guiana

Summit Gardens - Orlando Ortiz



Moonen



Eduardo Gomez  
Goncalves



José Bono - Father & Son



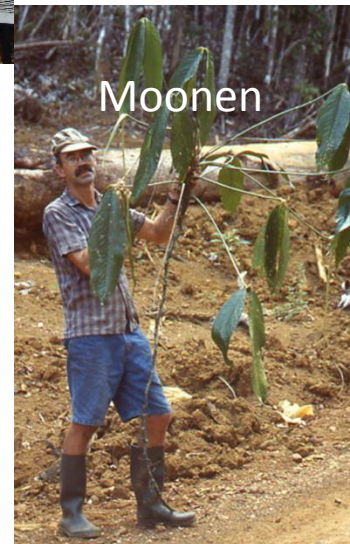
Roberto Burle  
Marx



Harri Lorenzi



Roberto  
Kautzky  
with Rick  
Cirino



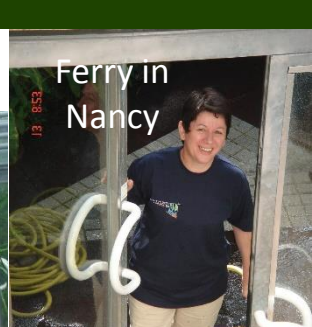
Moonen



Meise, Belgium



Billiet



Ferry in Nancy

# European Aroid Collections

Nic van der Knaap



Nick van Rosmalen

Anthura, Inc. Bleiswijk



Scherberich



Anthura



Bogner



Bogner

Scherscheid

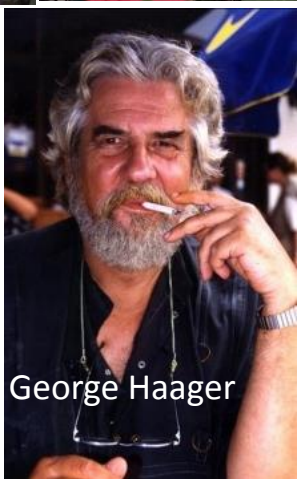


Bogner



Ferry

Ron Ihles,  
Kew Garden,  
Edinburgh



George Haager



Holy

Ladislav Holy, Czech Republic



Natalia Denis'evskaya  
Kiev



# Asian Aroid Collections

Taiwan - Cecelia Koo Garden  
Singapore- Gardens by the Sea  
Nong Nooch Gardens, Pattaya, Thailand  
Bogor Botanical Garden  
Kunming Botanical Garden  
Peter Boyce - Kuching



Nong Nooch Gardens, Pattaya, Thailand

Thailand



Bogor Botanic  
Garden



Gardens by the Sea,  
Singapore



Dr. & Mrs. Chia-wei Li



Taiwan

Cecelia Koo Garden

Kunming and  
Xichuanbana  
Gardens, China



Heng Li



# Australian Aroiders

Arden Dearden  
York Merideth  
David Burnett  
Peter Randall  
Dorothy Shaw  
Debbie Almond & Curt Butterfield

Ed Frazer  
Eric Beltrame  
Greg Oldlando  
Gillian Forsythe  
Ian Jessop  
Ron Collins  
Peter Tsang



1<sup>st</sup> Australian Aroid  
Conference





# Ancillary Meetings of Aroiders in USA

Weekend in Raleigh at Juniper Level Botanical Garden.





# Meetings of Midwest Chapter St. Louis and Oklahoma City

1st MidAmerica Chapter Meeting, Nov. 27, 2009

Myriad Botanical Gardens and Crystal Bridge  
Tropical Conservatory, Oklahoma City

2<sup>nd</sup> MidAmerica Chapter Meeting, April 24, 2010

Missouri Botanical Gardens, St. Louis,

3<sup>rd</sup> Fort Worth Botanic Gardens, Oct. 30, 2010

4<sup>th</sup> MidAmerica Chapter Meeting, May 7, 2011

Myriad Botanical Gardens and Crystal Bridge  
Tropical Conservatory, Oklahoma City



# 1st Meeting of Midwest Chapter - Oklahoma City Myriad Botanical Garden and Crystal Bridge Conservatory







## 2<sup>nd</sup> Midwest Chapter Meeting Missouri Botanical Gardens





# 3<sup>rd</sup> Meeting of Midwest Chapter Forth Worth





# 4th Midwest Aroid Chapter Meeting Oklahoma City





# Aroid Show at Missouri Botanical Garden





# International Aroid Conferences

Independently originated but sponsored by IAS

Twelve since 1980 (About every three years on average)

North America, Europe, Asia & Latin America



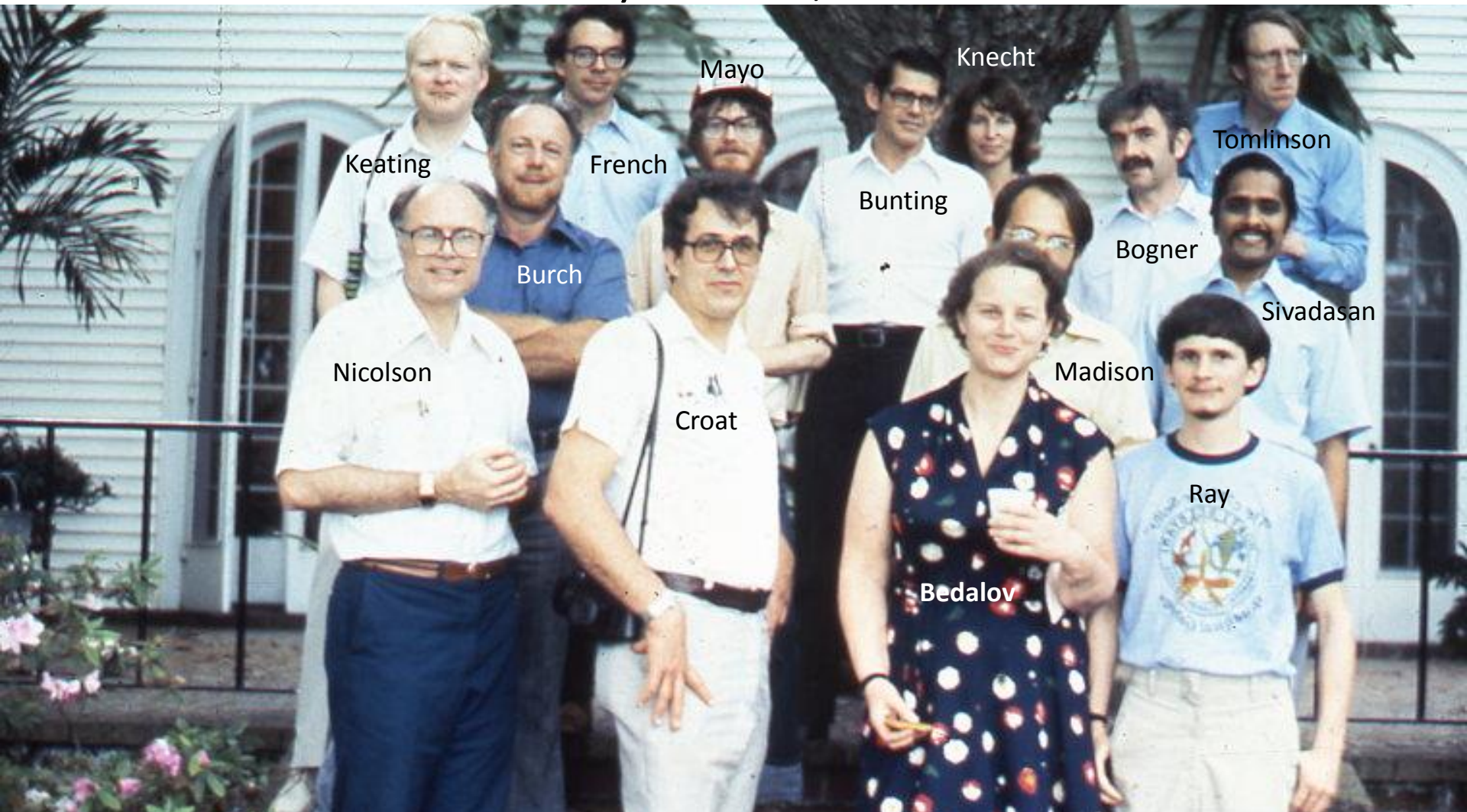
# Aroid Conferences

1. Selby Gardens – 1980 (Madison)
2. Harvard Forest – 1984 (Tomlinson & French)
3. Berlin (XIV IBC) – 1987 (Josef Bogner)
4. Moscow Main Botanical Garden – 1992 (M. Serybryanyi)
5. Yokohama (XV IBC) – 1993 (Jin Murata)
6. Kunming Botanical Garden – 1999 (Li Heng)
7. Monocots II. (Sydney Botanical Garden) (Alistair Hay)
8. Missouri Botanical Garden (XVI IBC) – 1999 (Croat)
9. Kuching, Sarawak – 2004 (Peter Boyce)
10. Nancy Botanical Garden – 2009 (Gibernau & G. Ferry)
11. Hanoi, Vietnam – 2013 (Nguyen v. Dzu) 3 in N. America
12. Cali, Colombia – 2017 (Zuluaga & Croat) 3 in Europe  
4 in Asia  
1 in Australia  
1 in Latin America



# 1<sup>st</sup> International Aroid Conference

Selby Gardens, 1980



Aroid Specialists Selby House, First Aroid Symposium





1<sup>st</sup> International Aroid Conference, Selby Gardens

Kathy Utley, Dan Nicolson, and John Utley



Selby gardens, 1<sup>st</sup> Aroid Conference

Dan Nicolson and Kiat Tan







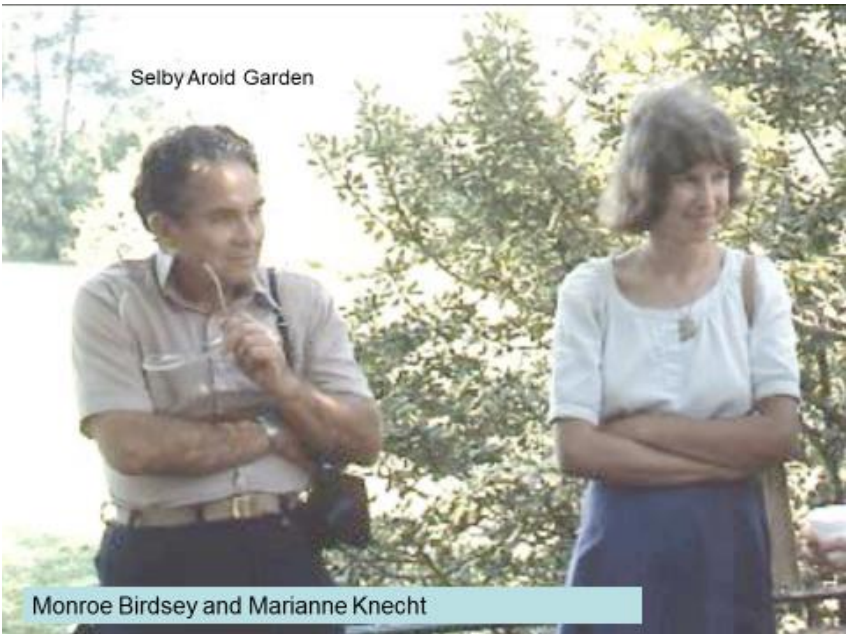
Selby Aroid Conference

Hans Wiehler and George Bunting



Selby Aroid Conference,  
Selby Gardens

Mike Madison, Libby Besse,  
and Marriane Knecht



Selby Aroid Garden

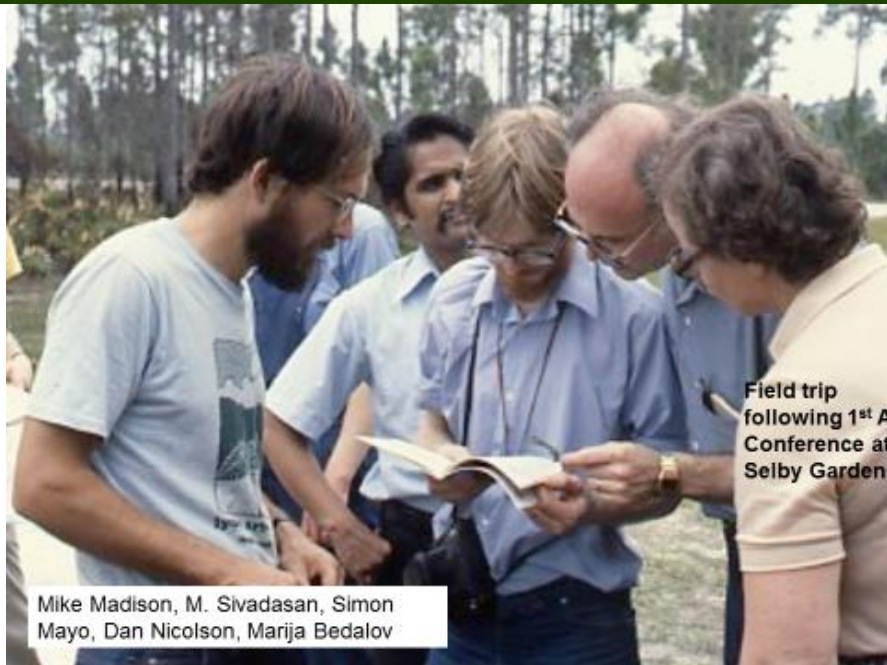
Monroe Birdsey and Marianne Knecht



Selby Aroid Conference

Bogner, Madison, Croat





Field trip following 1<sup>st</sup> Aroid Conference at Selby Gardens

Mike Madison, M. Sivadasan, Simon Mayo, Dan Nicolson, Marija Bedalov



Field trip following 1<sup>st</sup> Aroid Conference at Selby Gardens

Myakka State Park



by Aroid Conference

Marianne Knecht and Josef Bogner

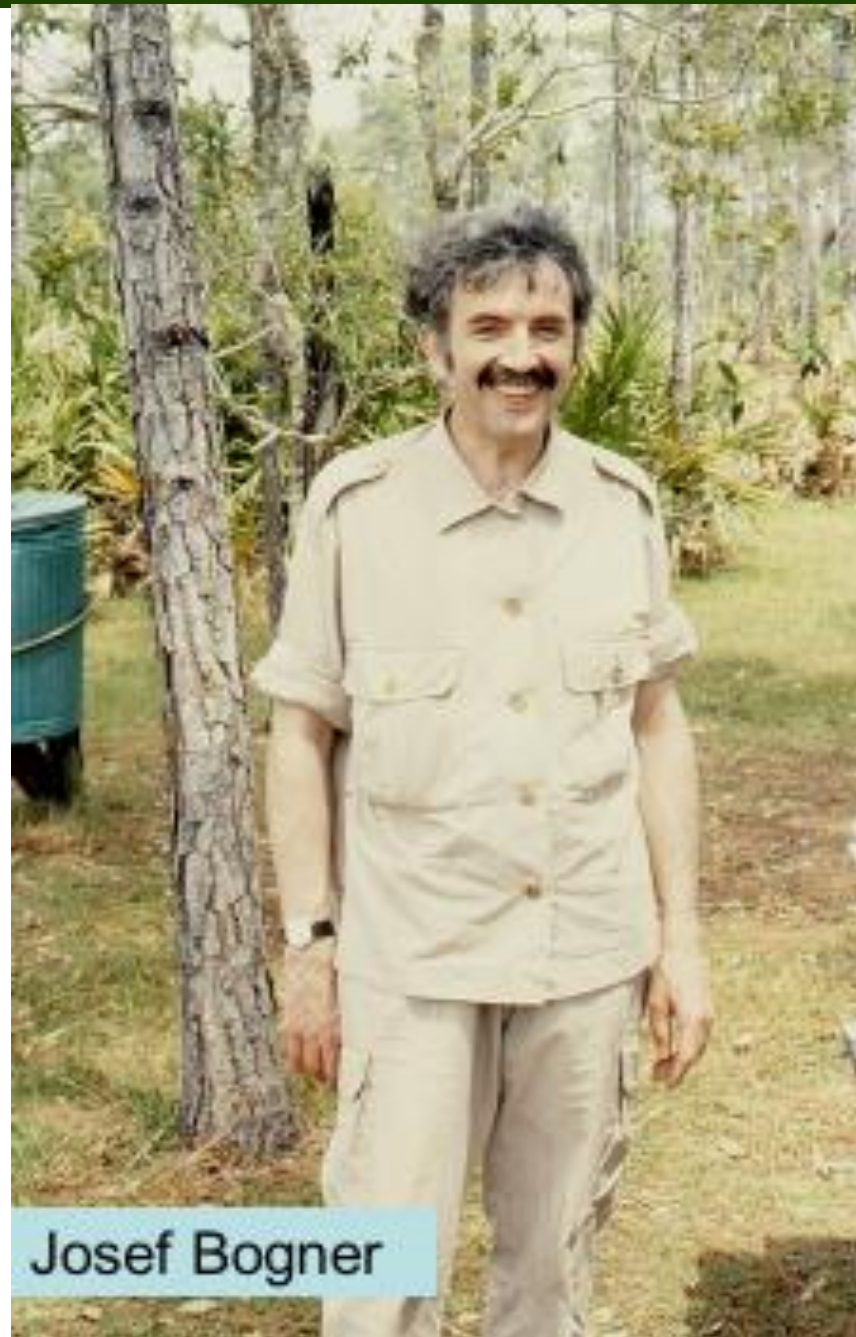


Bogner and Mayo





Josef Bogner and  
Marianne Knecht



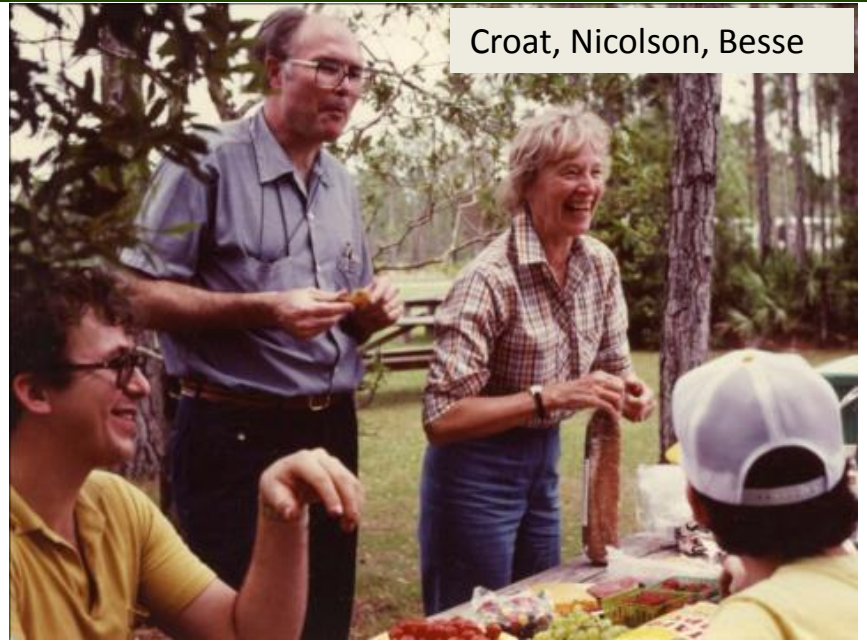
Josef Bogner



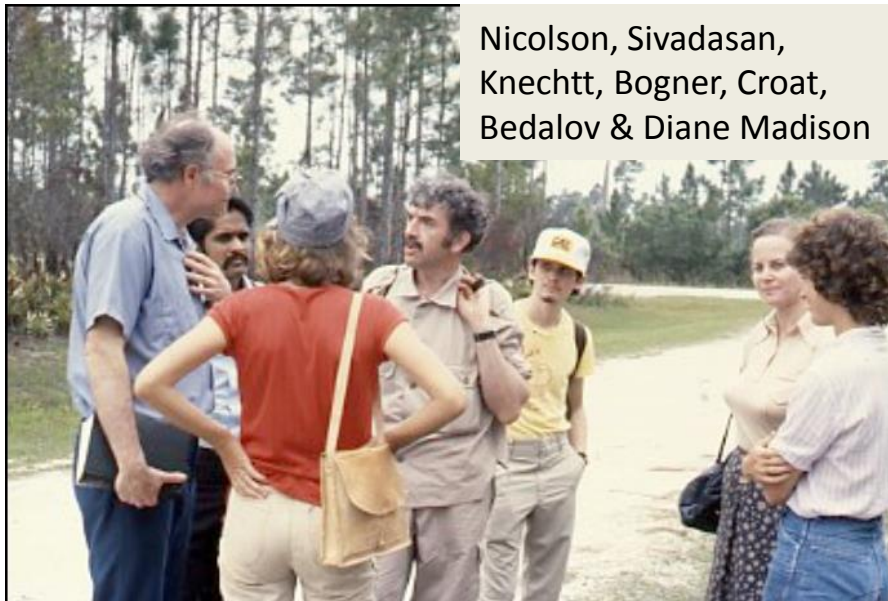
Bogner, Croat, Bedalov & Knecht



Croat, Nicolson, Besse



Nicolson, Sivadasan,  
Knecht, Bogner, Croat,  
Bedalov & Diane Madison



Sivadasan, Marianne Knecht,  
Croat, Anne Mayo, Maria  
Bedalov





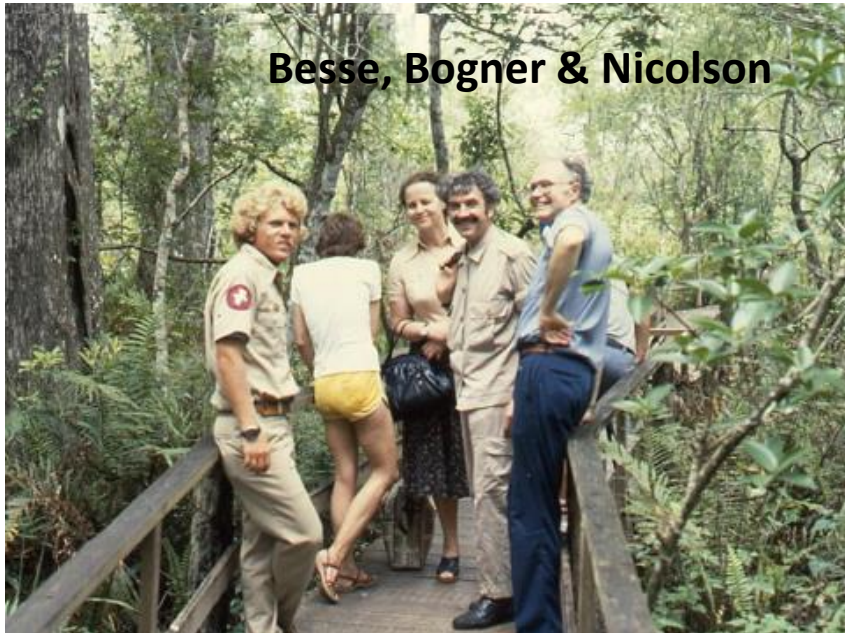
**Sivadasan, Knecht, Croat, A. May, & Bedalov**



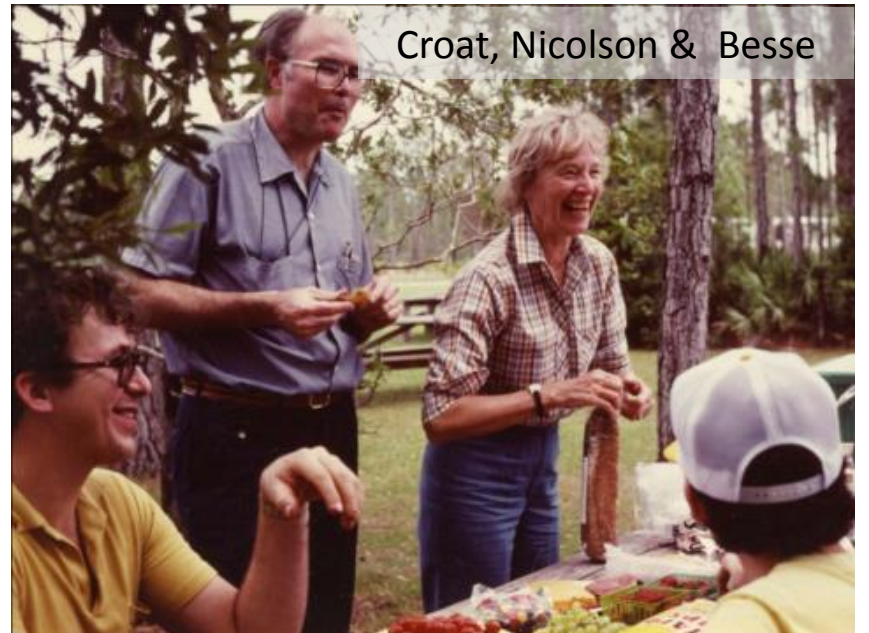
**Nicolson, Besse & Croat**



**Besse, Bogner & Nicolson**



**Croat, Nicolson & Besse**





## Field trip following 1<sup>st</sup> Aroid Conference



Mike Madison and Simon Mayo



**Trip to Miami following 1<sup>st</sup> Aroid Conference**

**Two of the original founders of  
the International Aroid Society**



**Marija Bedalov, Tom Fennell, Betty Waterbury, Marianne Knecht**



# 2<sup>nd</sup> International Aroid Conference

## Harvard Forest, Petersham, MA.

- Organized by Dr. Barry Tomlinson & Jim French, Harvard Forest, Petersham, Massachusetts
- Dr. Jim Walker, Mike Grayum's professor presented Mike's spectacular new phylogeny of the Araceae
- Field trip to visit *Orontium aquaticum* populations.





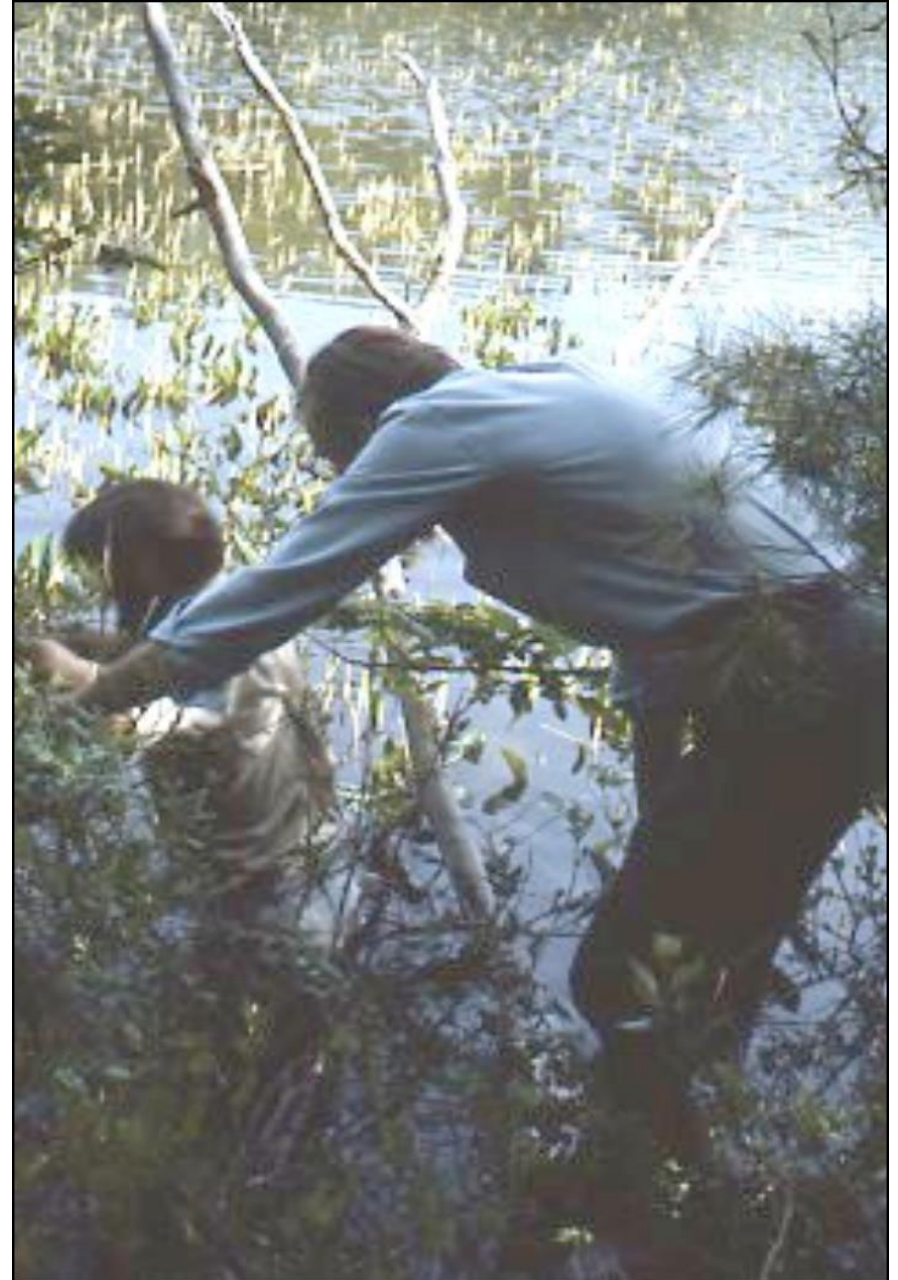
Aroid Symposium, Petersham





Collecting *Orontium aquaticum*

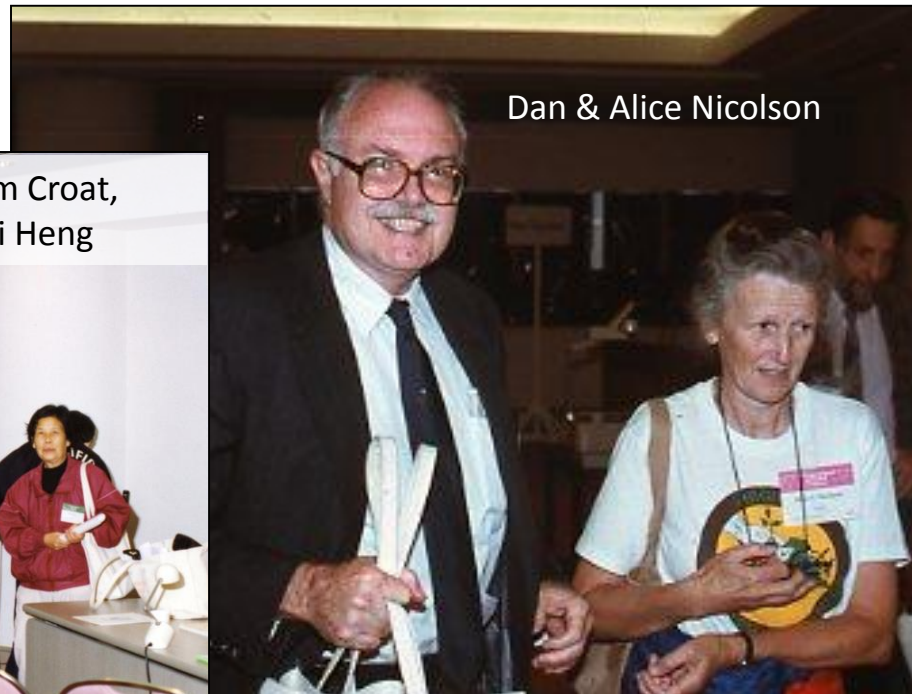
Barry  
Tomlinson





# 3<sup>rd</sup> International Aroid Conference Berlin, West Germany

- Held in conjunction with XIV International Botanical Congress, 24 July – 1 August, 1987
- Paper sessions were only 3 hours long
- Highlights included a study of aroid fruits by Elke Seubert





# Berlin Aroid Conference



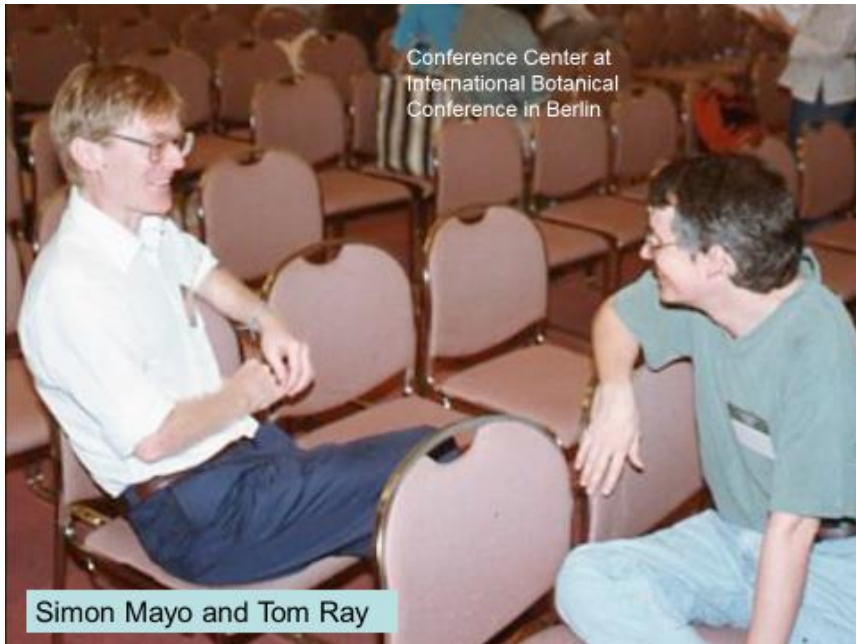




Heng Li, Jin Murata & Simon Mayo



Heng Li and Elke Seubert



Conference Center at  
International Botanical  
Conference in Berlin

Simon Mayo and Tom Ray



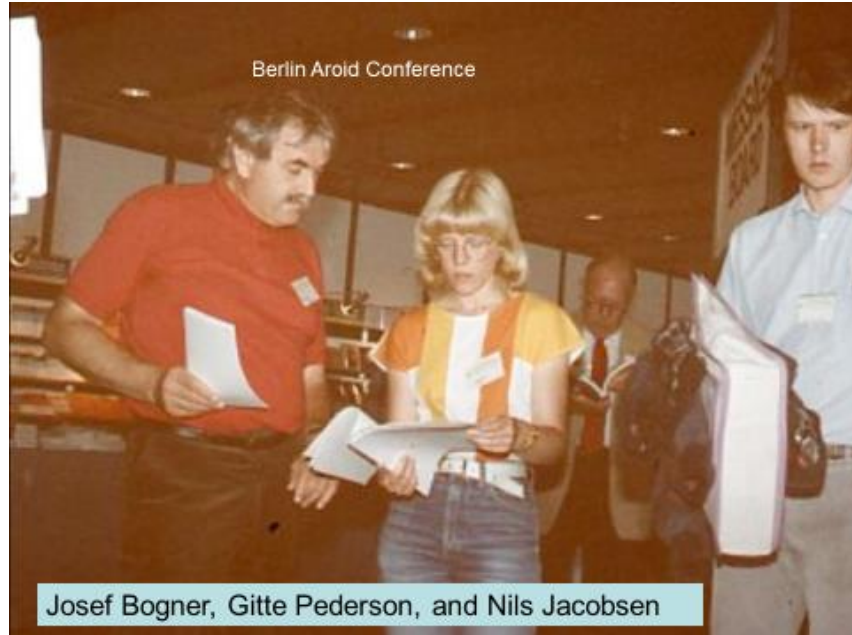
Berlin Aroid  
Conference

Simon Mayo and Josef Bogner





Simon Mayo, Myong Gi Chen, and Jin Murata

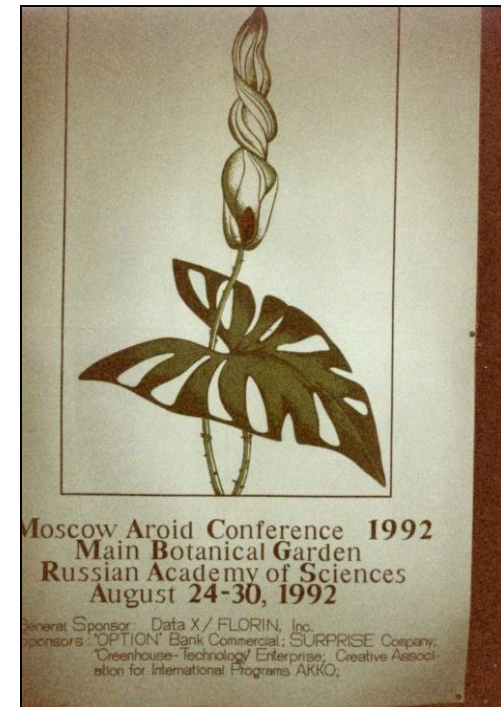


Josef Bogner, Gitte Pederson, and Nils Jacobsen



# IV<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference Moscow

- 24 - 30 August, 1992
- The largest and most well attended up to that time
- Organized by Michael Serebryanyi from the Moscow Botanical Gardens
- Field trip to visit *Calla palustris* in bogs east of Moscow





IVth International  
Botanical Conference



Moscow

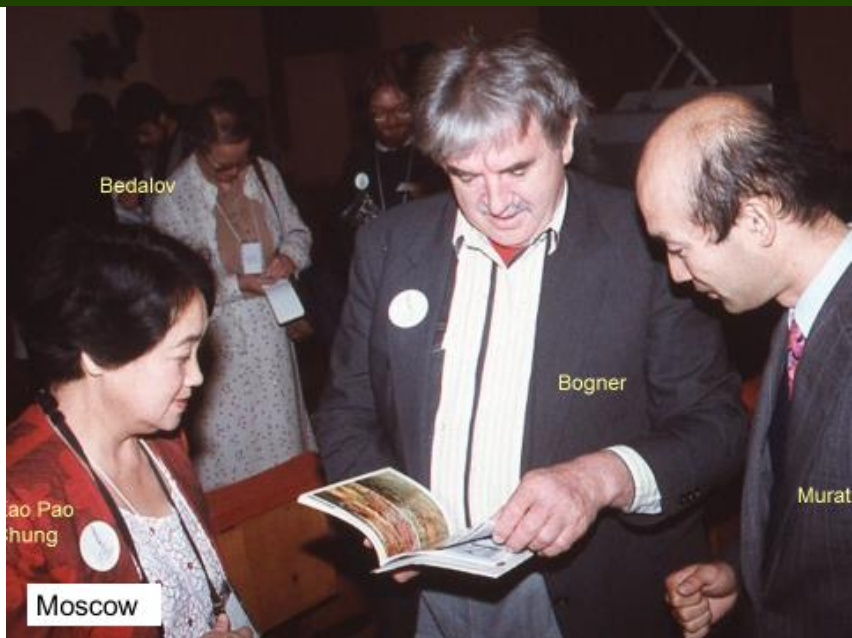
Bogner & Serebryanyi



# Conference Attendees at Moscow Aroid Conference







Bedalov

Bogner

Murat

Pao Pao  
chung

Moscow



Josef Bogner



Moscow Aroid Conference



14th International Aroid  
Conference in Moscow

Misha Serebryanyi

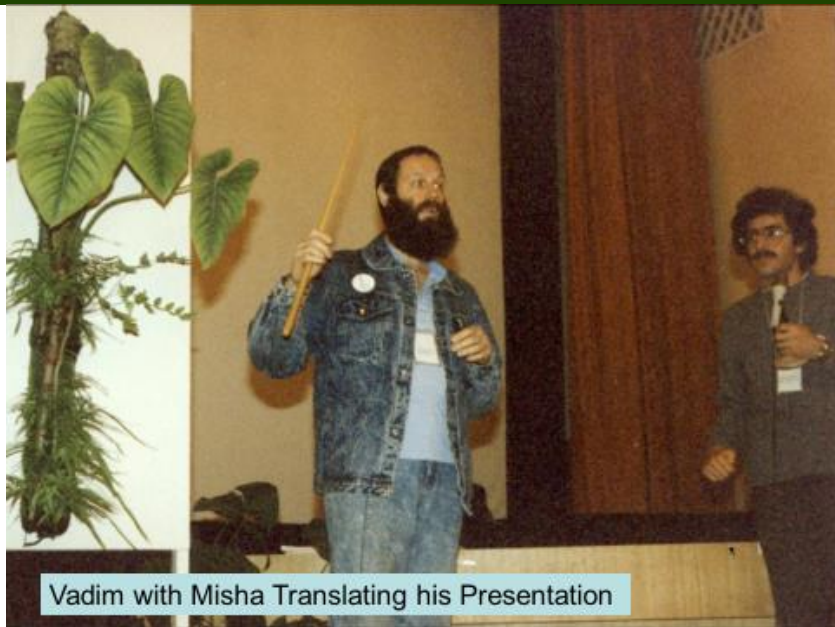
Wilbert  
Hettterscheid

Jim  
Symon

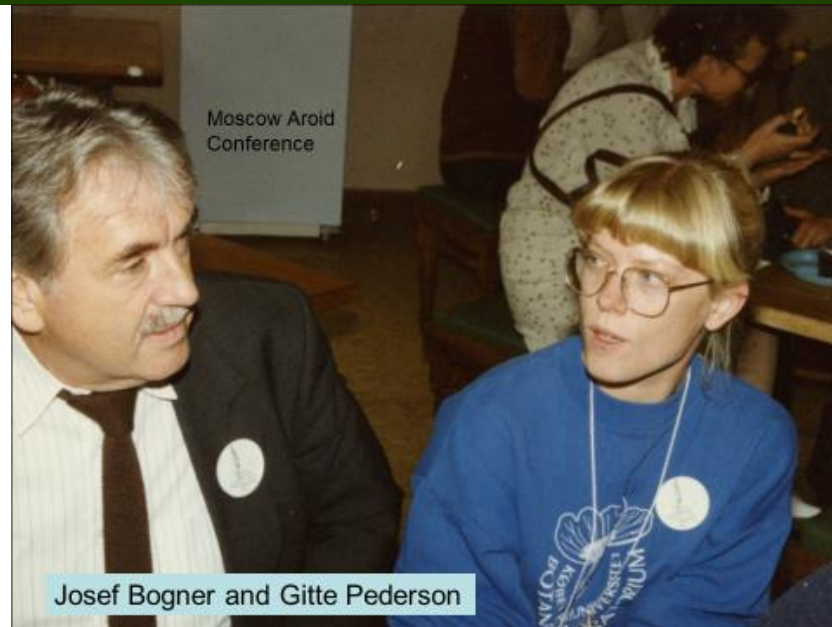
Pete Boyce

Moscow  
Botanical  
Garden





Vadim with Misha Translating his Presentation



Josef Bogner and Gitte Pederson



Moscow



Josef Bogner, Simon Mayo, Jin Murata, Peter Boyce, Wilbert Hetterscheid, Misha Serebryanyi



# V<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference Yokohama, Japan

- 28 Aug – 3 Sep, 1993
- Multidisciplinary Approaches to Studies of Araceae
- Organized by Jin Murata, Botanical Garden, University of Tokyo





Tom Croat, Mitsuru Hotta, and Hiroshi Okada



Hiroko Murata, Tom Croat, Jin Murata

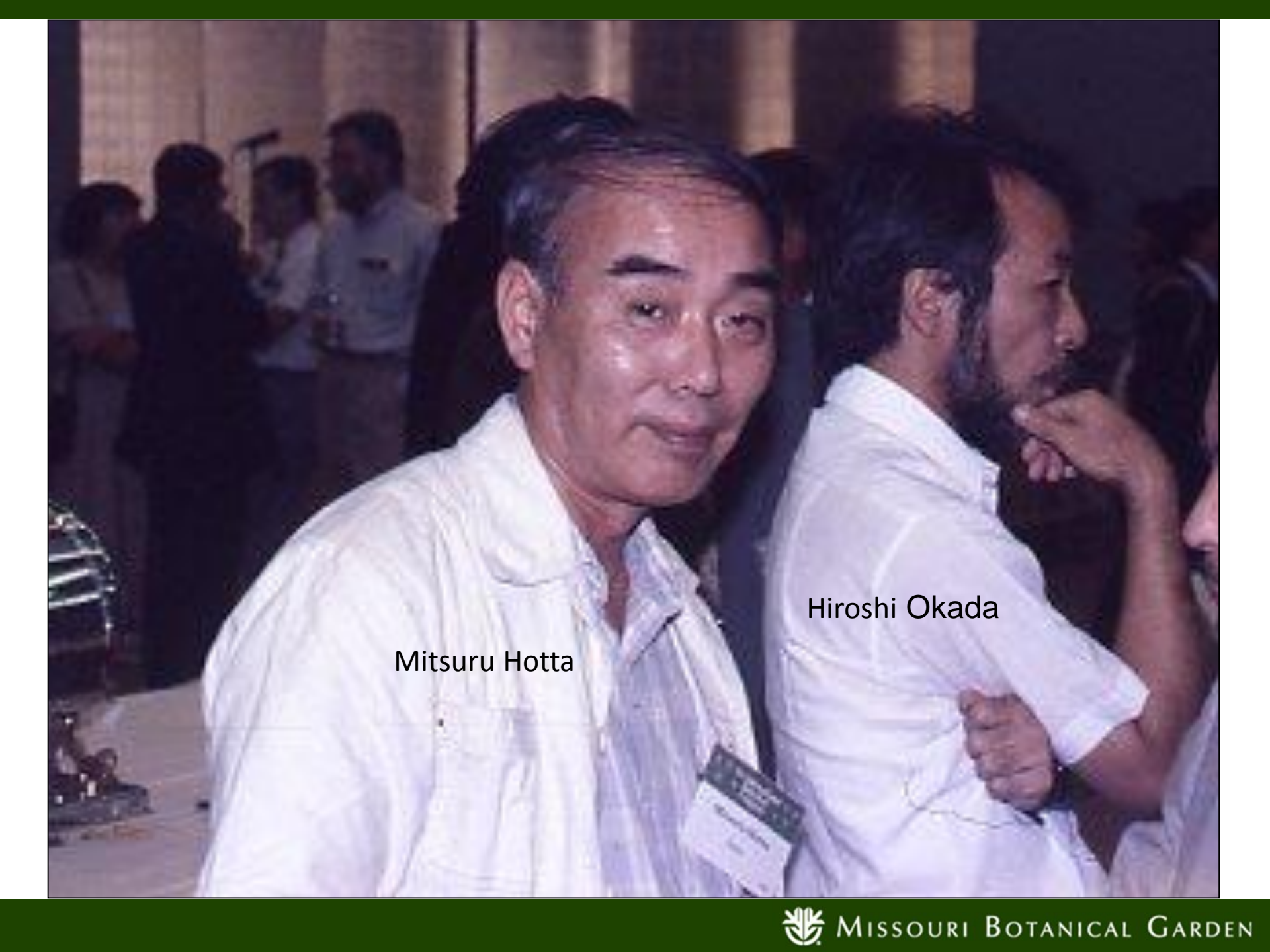


Tom Croat, Convener of Aroid Conference IBC Yokohama



Hiroshi Okada





Mitsuru Hotta

Hiroshi Okada

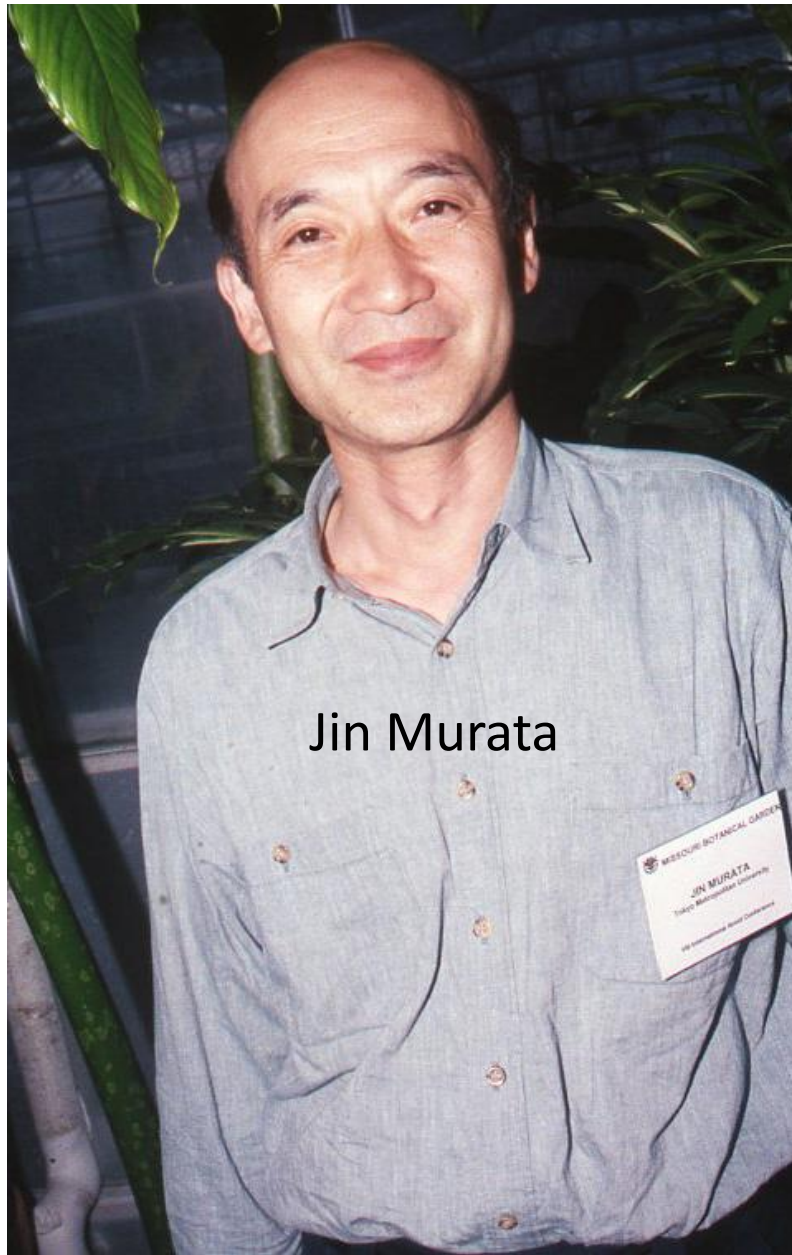


# VI<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference

## Kunming, China

- 26 Jun – 1 Jul, 1995
- Organized by Li Heng, Kunming Botanical Garden
- Large participation for the 1<sup>st</sup> time by Asian and Australian Aroiders
- Field trip to Xishuanbana Tropical Garden
- Excursions to western Yunan Province





Jin Murata



Molecular studies of  
Aroid crop plants

Hiromichi Yoshino



# VIII<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference

## St. Louis, MO

- 8 - 11 Aug 1999 at the Missouri Botanical Garden Week
  - Following XVI International Botanical Conference in St. Louis, 1 - 7 Aug, 1999
- Opening party at home of Tom Croat with barbeque and bluegrass music
- Presentation of 1<sup>st</sup> H.C. Schott Award for Excellence with Aroid Research to Dan Nicolson
- Bette Waterbury Award for Excellence in Aroid Horticulture to Josef Bogner





Arthur - 2002, J. S. Burdette

## VIII International Aroid Conference

MISSOURI BOTANICAL GARDEN  
8-11 AUGUST 1999 • ST. LOUIS, MISSOURI • USA

In collaboration with the International Aroid Society

Major Sponsors: Agristarts, Inc., Apopka, FL • Mary Sizemore, Deland, FL • Oglesby Plants International, Inc., Altha, FL • Anthuriumselecties, Inc., Bleiswijk, Holland

Contact: Dr. Thomas Croat, Missouri Botanical Garden, Box 299, St. Louis, MO 63166-0299 USA, e-mail: [croat@mobot.org](mailto:croat@mobot.org) • <http://www.mobot.org/IAS/ia99/>





VIII<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference, St. Louis





Trisha Frank, Dennis Rotolante, Nic van der Knapp, John Banta, Lynn Hannon, Sue Thompson, Matyas Buzgo, Gaa Gross, Maricela Mora

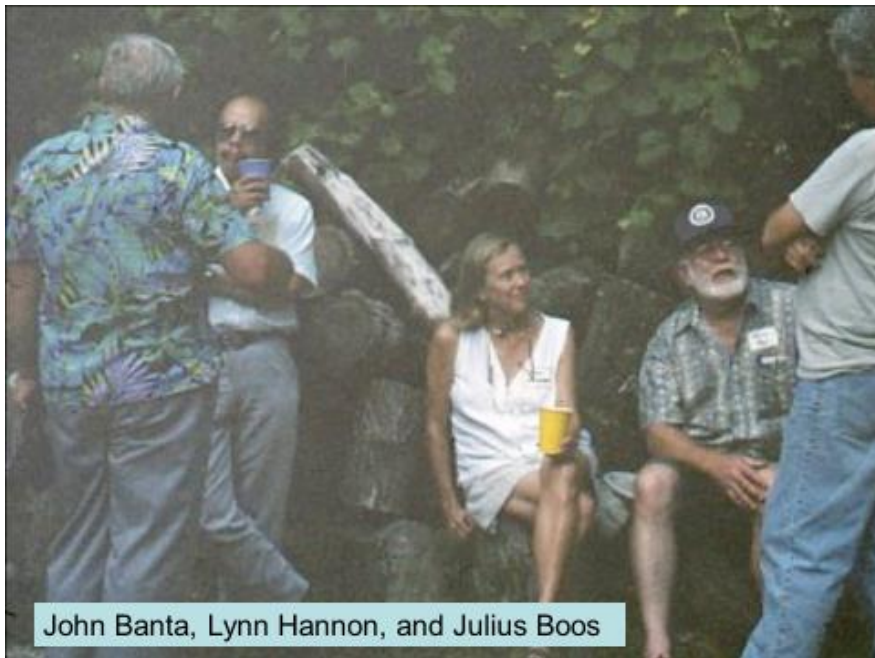


Bluegrass Band, Dorothy Bay, Rich Keating, and Misha Grillet





Yoshino, Lourdes, Soares, Ivanitza Andrade,  
Matyas Buzgo, Eduardo Goncalves



John Banta, Lynn Hannon, and Julius Boos



Brown, Floden, Demi, David, Yoshino





Li Heng

Mayo, Nadruz & Murata at Valle Escondido



Julius Boos

Nadruz, Gonçalves, Croat, Mayo (r)  
Andrede, Soares, Sakuagui, Bogner







John Banta and Dr. Richard Sheffer



M. Buzgo, P. Croat, M. Bedalov



Deni Bown, Lourdes Soares, Eduardo Gonçalves,  
Ivanilza Andrade, Marcus Nadruz & Peter Boyce





# IX<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference

## Kunming, Sarawak

- November 2004
- Organized by Peter Boyce, Malasiana Tropicals
- 2<sup>nd</sup> H. W. Schott Award presented to Tom Croat
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Bette Waterbury Award presented to Lynn Hannon



# Aroid Conference, Kunming

Left: Alpinar, Bown, on end Hyndman

Right: Weeks, Frank, Levin, Gibernau.







Aroiders on field trip in Sarawak: Levin, Frank, Bown, Whitehead, Hyndman, Weeks



# X<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference

## Nancy, France

- 8-11 July, 2009
- Organized by Marc Gibernau & Genevieve Ferry





Aroid Conference in Nancy, France



Hans Vissers, Daniel Arnould, Gen  
Ferry, Tom Croat & Dany Hervelle





Croat, Ferry & Bogner  
Nancy Botanical Garden, Alpine Gardens at Chitolet





# XI<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference, Hanoi, Vietnam, 11 - 13 Dec, 2013





# XI<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference Hanoi, Vietnam





# XI<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference Hanoi, Vietnam





# XII<sup>th</sup> International Aroid Conference

## Cali, Columbia - 2017





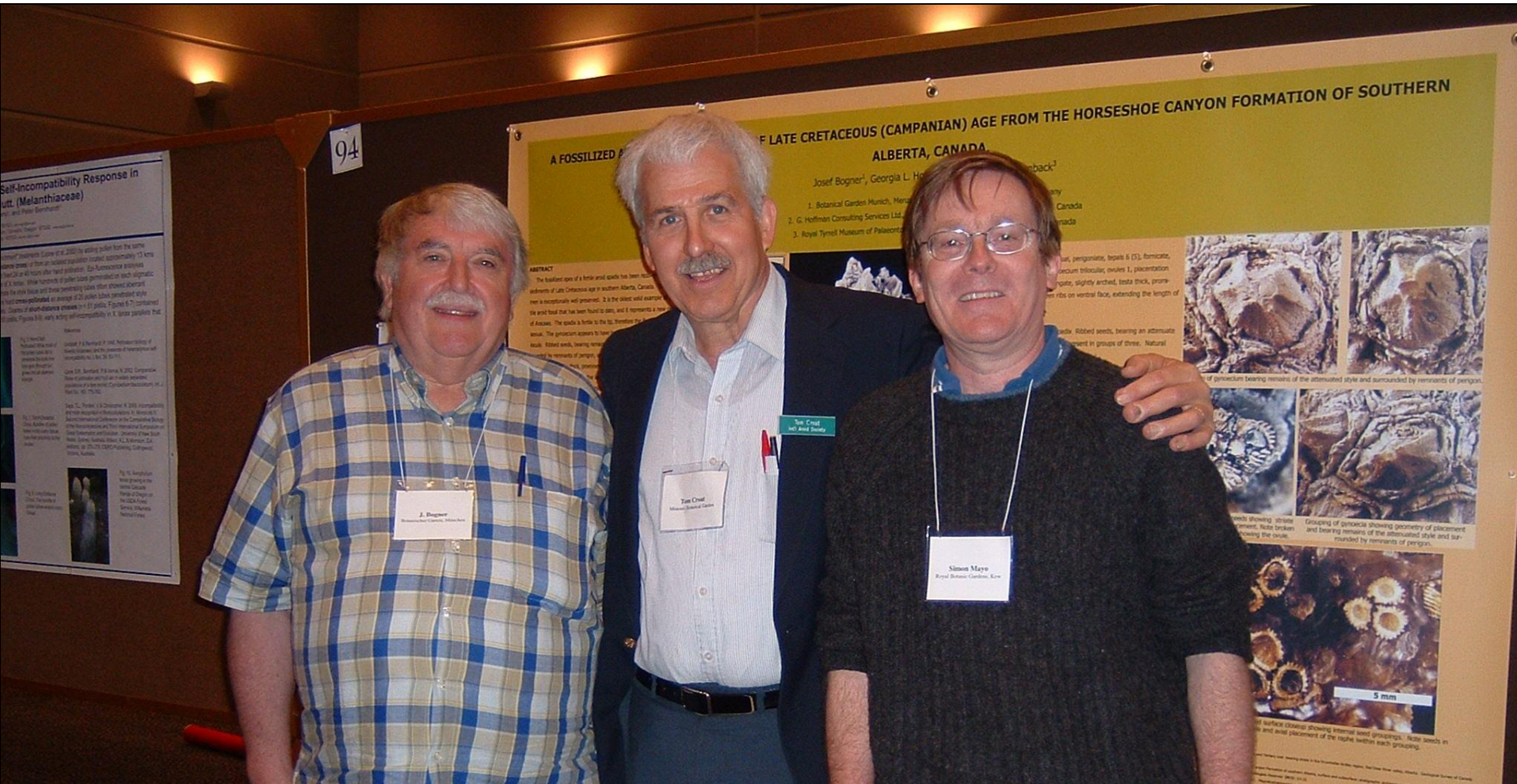








# Monocots 3 Conference Ontario, California - 2003

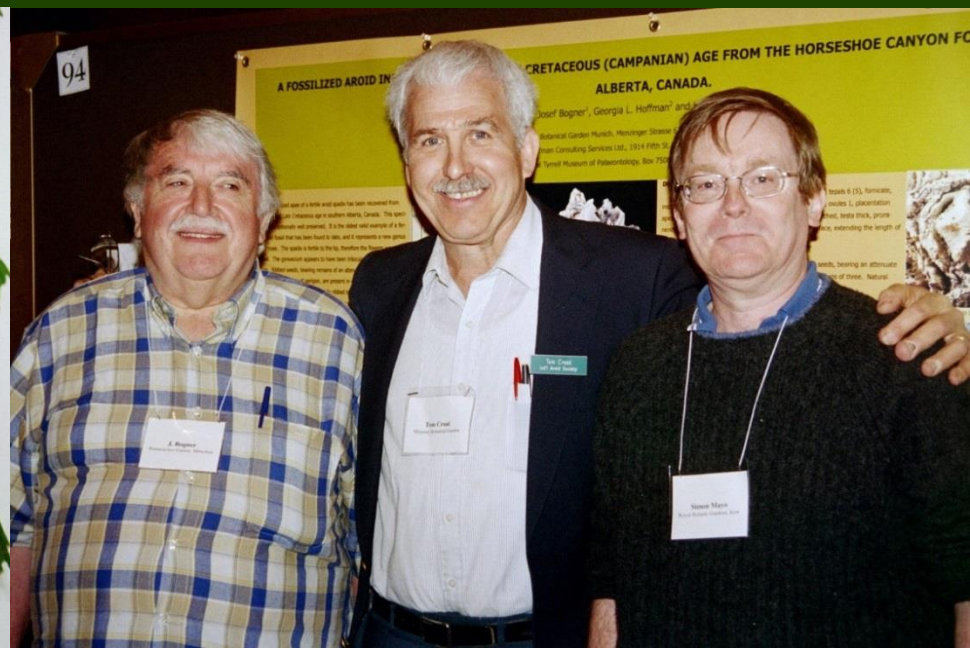


Bogner, Croat, Mayo - Apr 2003 Monocots 3, California





Gerardo Salazar



Hesse



Mayo, Govaerts & Bogner



# Aroiders at Monocot IV Conference in Copenhagen





# Monocot Conference - Copenhagen





# Aroiders at Monocot V New York



Temponi, Carlsen, Cardona

Andrade



# Second Colombian Aroid Conference, Manizales





# Colombian Aroid Conferences



Second Colombian Aroid Conference- Manizales



## Colombian Aroiders, Medellin Meeting





# 62° CONGRESSO NACIONAL DE BOTÂNICA

BOTÂNICA E DESENVOLVIMENTO SUSTENTÁVEL  
34° REUNIÃO NORDESTINA DE BOTÂNICA

7 a 12 DE AGOSTO  
FORTALEZA, BRASIL



Aroid Conference in Fortaleza, Brazil



# Benefactors

- Nic van der Knaap, Anthura Inc. Bleiswijk, Holland
- Randy Strode, Agristarts, Inc. Apopka, FL
- Oglesby Nursery Apopka, FL
- Mary Sizemore
- JohnTan





# Benefits of IAS

- The first group ever to promote Araceae
- The popularization of aroids
- Introduction of many more species of Araceae
- Publication of many more articles dealing with Araceae, including 537 species new to science
- Tremendous increase in international cooperation with aroid research
- Encouragement for the gathering of living plants
- Preservation of living plants through exchanges