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2025 Pennsylvania Botany Symposium November 14–15, 2025

The Penn Stater Hotel and Conference Center, State College, PA

We are pleased to announce the 2025 Pennsylvania Botany Symposium to be held on Friday and Saturday, November 14th and 15th at the Penn Stater Conference Center in State College, PA. A committee of botanists from across the state is working hard to organize our 7th biennial symposium, rich with hands-on workshop opportunities, presenters who are leaders in the field, opportunities for students to engage with professionals and time to come together to share our work and celebrate our botanical heritage.

To keep registration fees for the Symposium and associated workshops to a minimum and to support student participation, we are asking for financial support from sponsors. Conference fees are typically not sufficient to cover the costs of bringing in high-quality speakers, securing a facility, promoting the event, running registration, and covering various other organizational and logistical costs. We are asking that you help us make the 2025 Pennsylvania Botany Symposium a success by becoming a sponsor at whatever level you choose. We are committed to keeping the price of this event affordable for everyone!

Our committee is actively at work organizing this Symposium, with educational and networking opportunities for everyone: students, professionals and enthusiasts alike. Be sure to follow our progress at our website (pabotany.org) and on Facebook. If you would like to receive email updates, please visit our website and sign up to make sure we get you on our mailing list!

Sincerely,

The Pennsylvania Botany Committee

Pennsylvania Botany Symposium

The Pennsylvania Botany Symposium is the state's premier gathering of people interested in the commonwealth's plants — their biology, ecology, taxonomy and conservation. The PA Botany Symposium is an opportunity for attendees to:

- Learn about the latest research and issues related to plants
- Network and establish new contacts
- Develop an enthusiasm for plant conservation
- Learn about botany related organizations and services

Who will attend?

The symposium is attended by plant enthusiasts from all walks of life including professional and amateur botanists, researchers, educators, students, consultants, land managers, non-profit organizations, and state and federal agencies in the region.

Sponsoring the Pennsylvania Botany Symposium

Why should you become a sponsor?

- To support botanical education in the region through the PA Botany Symposium and its associated activities such as workshops. Volunteers make this event happen, but the cost of coordination, website maintenance, venue logistics, and intensive workshops are considerable.
- To increase your visibility to a diverse, regional, environmentally-conscious audience.
- To showcase your activities, services and products.
- To put your promotional and educational materials in the hands of engaged plant enthusiasts.
- To make new contacts and strengthen existing relationships with botanists and environmentallyminded folks in the region.
- To lower the cost of symposium registration for others (you may choose to have some or all of your registrations donated to low-income students).

What are the sponsorship opportunities?

Premier Symposium Sponsor (\$10,000) – Golden-Fruited Sedge

We offer premier sponsorship opportunities for this event. Premier sponsors of the symposium will be recognized throughout the course of the event. This sponsorship includes registration for up to 6 participants, overnight accommodations for two at the Penn Stater for Friday night, November 14th, and complimentary exhibit space. Symposium sponsors will receive formal recognition in the looping slideshow on the big screen before Friday evening and Saturday presentations, and on the PABotany.org website leading up to, and following, the symposium.

Symposium Sponsors

Symposium Sponsors will receive a complimentary exhibit space and symposium registration. As a sponsor at one of these levels, you will also be formally acknowledged during the event, and on our PABotany.org website:

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$5000.00 or more – Northeastern Bulrush (Registration for four participants)
$2500.00 – Tall Larkspur (Registration for two participants)
$1000.00 – American Ginseng (Registration for one participant)
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Contributing Sponsors

Contributions at the following levels will assist students and do not include registration or a complimentary exhibit table (nonprofit tables are \$95; for-profit tables are \$150):

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$500.00 – Buffalo-nut
$100.00 – White Trout Lily
$50.00 – Harbinger-of -spring
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Please note: All exhibitors and Contributing Sponsors will be asked to pay registration (if planning to attend) except as noted above. Workshops involve an additional fee.

These are suggested levels of contribution and are tax deductible. Any level of contribution will be appreciated. Please e-mail Pennsylvania Botany, <u>info@pabotany.org</u>, to inform us of your contribution.

Contributions should be made payable to Pennsylvania Botany, and sent to:

Steven Grund, Treasurer Pennsylvania Botany 1609 Cumberland Street Pittsburgh, PA 15202

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