



# THE CALOOSAHATCHEE BROMELIAD SOCIETY'S

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# THE CALOOSAHATCHEE BROMELIAD SOCIETY

**January Meeting— Sunday, Jan 21st  
February Meeting-- Sunday, Feb 18th**

**Our new meeting place is the Ft. Myers— Lee  
County Garden Council Building  
2166 Virginia Ave. Fort Myers.**

**It is north of the Edison Gardens parking lot and about 1/2  
miles north of our previous meeting location— Covenant  
Presbyterian Church. Virginia Ave is approximately 3 miles  
north of the intersection of Colonial Blvd. and McGregor  
Blvd. and the 2nd Street north of the Edison Gardens**

**Doors open at 12:30PM for Meeting Setup  
The Workshop begins at 1:15PM**

**Please bring food, Raffle and Show and Tell Plants**

**Membership Sales are not permitted  
at the January Meeting**

**Determination of member sales are to be  
determined at a later date for February.**

**The Caloosahatchee Bromeliad Society is an active Affiliate of:**



Cryptanthus Society



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## January Program “Tillandsia and Their Culture” By Anthony Warfield

For those who attend the Seasonal Festivals at Tropiflora you are familiar with the thousands of square feet of space dedicated to Tillandsias at the nursery. For as long as I have been going there (since 1992) climbing through the many tables and walls is always a highlight of a trip there. Not so old a fixture at the nursery is Anthony Warfield, one of the talented growers employed by Dennis and Linda Cathcart. This month Anthony will be sharing his knowledge of the cultural tips and tricks he has applied to the Tillandsia collection at Tropiflora. Let's hope that Anthony and Brian will be bringing a nice variety of plants including Tillandsias to our meeting for sale.

## January Workshop February Workshop

Workshops for the year are still in the planning stages. If you have something to contribute, please call :  
WORKSHOP CHAIRPERSON—Cate Peterson 941-505-1554 (cpeters3606@yahoo.com  
And discuss the time and topic.

## February Program “Culture A to Z: *Alcanterea* to *Vriesea*” By Craig Morrel

Craig Morrel since his last visit with us, has started working at Kampong - The Pacific Tropical Botanical Garden Mainland Garden.

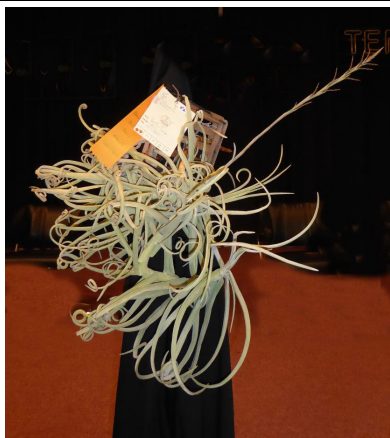
Although there are basically two groups of bromeliads, the terrestrials and the epiphytes, the individual genera within these two groups and even specific species sometimes have unique cultural requirements.

Craig is going to review the various growing conditions necessary for producing quality bromeliads regardless of their type.

You might recall Craig's previous programs on insecticides and fertilizers. This session should be as interesting and informative.

Many thanks to Debbie McPhail for allowing us to use her fabulous home and gardens for our Holiday Party. Again we were so fortunate that the weather remained civil. Everything came together to provide a great time for all. I'm sure I'm not the only one who is jealous of Debbie's collection of plants and the great way she displays everything so well. The only thing many of us seemed to regret is that we didn't get to see the gardens lit up after dark.

**The 2017 Caloosahatchee  
Bromeliad Society's Sale and Show  
"Gardens of the Galaxy"**



**Mulford B. Foster Award  
Best of Show- Horticulture  
Best of Divisions I, II & III  
Exhibitor: Terrie Bert**

*Tillandsia duratii*

*(See front page for larger pic)*



**Morris Henry Hobbs  
Best of Show- Artistic  
Best of Division IV  
Sec A & B**

**Exhibitor:  
Larry Giroux**

*Cryptanthus 'Ice Age'*  
In a Decorative Container  
*(See back page for larger pic)*

**Sweepstakes Award**

**Winner of the**

**Most Blue Ribbons**

**Exhibitor: Terrie Bert**

**Representative plant:**

*Neoregelia 'Big Bopper'*





**Best of Division II**  
**Exhibitor: Brian Weber**  
*Hechtia lanata*

**Best of  
Division I**  
**Exhibitor:  
Gary Nelson**  
*Vriesea  
gigantea*



**Best of Division III**  
**Exhibitor:  
Terrie Bert**  
*Tillandsia tectorum*  
**X**  
*Tillandsia balacea*

**Best of Division I**

**Sec A**

**Exhibitor:**

**Michael Kiehl**

**(xDychlirium)**

***Dyckia burle-marxii***

**X**

***Encholirium horridum***



**Best of Division IV**

**Sec A**

**(Decorative Containers)**

**Exhibitor: Sharalee Dias**

***Various bromeliads in a  
bamboo well***

**Best of Div II Sec A**

**Exhibitor:**

**Larry Giroux**

***Cryptanthus***

**‘Cape Coral’**





**Bob Whitman**  
**Best Cryptanthus**  
**Species Award**

**Exhibitor:**  
**Terrie Bert**  
*Cryptanthus*  
*odoritissimus*

**Warren Loose**  
**Best Cryptanthus**  
**Hybrid Award**

**Exhibitor:**  
**Jeff Joffe**  
*Cryptanthus*  
**‘McDreamy’**



**Best of Division IV**  
**Sec B**

**Best Artistic**  
**Arrangement**

**Exhibitor:**  
**Larry Giroux**

**Mini-arrangement**  
**“Music from the Stars”**  
*Cryptanthus* **‘Pink**  
**Starlight’ & ‘Ruby’**





**Best of Div VI**

**Sec A**

**Best Judges' Entry**

**Exhibitor:**

**John Boardman**

***Goudaea***

**'Josefa Leon'**



**Best of Div III Sec B**

**Exhibitor: Terrie Bert**

***Tillandsia* 'Veronica's Mariposa'**

**Best of Div VI Sec C**

**Best Cut Inflorescence**

**Exhibitor: Patricia Gonzalez**

***Portea alatapsepla***





**Members Choice  
Award**

**First Place**

**(Voted on by the  
membership)**

**Exhibitor:**

**Brian Weber**

***Dyckia* 'Arizona'**

**F2**

**Members Choice  
Award**

**Second Place**

**(Voted on by the  
membership)**

**Exhibitor:**

**Alex Bello**

***Tillandsia***

**'Clara Kouchalakos'**



**Members Choice Award**

**Third Place**

**(Voted on by the membership)**

**Exhibitor: Pete Diamond**

***Tillandsia concolor***

**X**

***Tillandsia roland-gosselinii***



**Best of Division III**

**Sec A**

**Exhibitor:**

**Terrie Bert**

*Tillandsia*

*jalisco-montacola*

# World Bromeliad Conference 2018

San Diego



May 29 - June 3, 2018

fiesta de las bromelias

**Registration Fee: (in United States Dollars)• \$290.00 New low registration fee!!! \$60.00 optional bus excursion [See Conference Corner for details on optional excursion.]**

**If you are not a current BSI member, your annual membership fee must be paid, USA residents add \$45 single and \$60 dual members**



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