

CALL FOR ABSTRACTS

ANNUAL SCIENTIFIC MEETING

BOTANY 2003

JULY 26-31, 2003

MOBILE CONFERENCE CENTER
MOBILE, ALABAMA

CONFERENCE OVERVIEW

BOTANY 2003 represents the annual meeting of four professional societies, including the American Bryological and Lichenological Society (ABLS), the American Fern Society (AFS), the American Society of Plant Taxonomists (ASPT), and the Botanical Society of America (BSA). The conference will be held in Mobile, Alabama from July 26-31, 2003, and the theme for BOTANY 2003 will be "Aquatic and Wetland Plants: Wet & Wild."

In addition to the regular program, which will run from Sunday through Wednesday (July 27-30), BOTANY 2003 will include an expanded format. The second FORUM focusing on botanical education and outreach will be held on Saturday, July 26, and it will be linked to the annual scientific meeting on Sunday, July 27, via workshops and field trips.

There are separate *Calls* for Discussion Sessions at the annual scientific meeting and for Sessions at the education and outreach FORUM.

PRESENTATIONS

All members are invited and encouraged to present some aspect of their scholarly work in a contributed paper, contributed poster, invited symposium, or special lecture.

Contributed papers, or oral/podium presentations, will be 15 minutes in length (inclusive of questions). Contributed posters will fit onto bulletin boards that are 4 ft tall and 8 ft wide. Invited symposium contributions and special lectures are arranged in advance and coordinated by the symposium organizer(s), societies, and/or societal sections. Symposium presentations will be 30 minutes in length (inclusive of questions).

Each contributed paper, poster, symposium presentation, and special lecture requires an abstract. The same individual should not be a first author on more than three abstracts. The abstracts and final program will be available online at the BOTANY 2003 web site prior to the meeting and hard copies will be distributed at the conference to registrants.

SUBMISSION OF ABSTRACTS (DEADLINE: APRIL 1, 2003)

Submission of abstracts, titles, and other relevant information (e.g., keywords) for contributed papers, posters, symposia, and lectures should be carried out online at the BOTANY 2003 web site: <<http://www.botany2003.org>>. Copies of the titles and abstracts will be sent electronically to the sender, the Program Chair of the disciplinary Section/Society selected for submission (see reverse), and the BSA Program Director. The submission site will open in January 2003, and the deadline for receiving abstracts is **April 1, 2003**.

SCIENTIFIC PROGRAM

Questions about the scientific program for BOTANY 2003 should be directed to the appropriate Program Chair listed on the reverse side, or to the BSA Program Director: Jeffrey M. Osborn, Division of Science, Truman State University, 100 E. Normal Street, Kirksville, MO 63501-4221. Tele: (660) 785-4017, Fax: (660) 785-4045, E-mail: <josborn@truman.edu>.

REGISTRATION, HOUSING & EVENTS

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A Registration Brochure for BOTANY 2003 will be mailed to members of participating societies in spring 2003, and it will be available online at the BOTANY 2003 web site. The Brochure will contain detailed information about registration, housing, social events, field trips, workshops, tours, and all costs. Additional information can be obtained from the BSA Meetings Manager: Johanne Stogran, BSA Meetings Office, 1735 Neil Avenue, Columbus, OH 43210-1293, Tele: (614) 292-3519, Fax: (614) 247-6444, E-mail: <meetings@botany.org>.

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