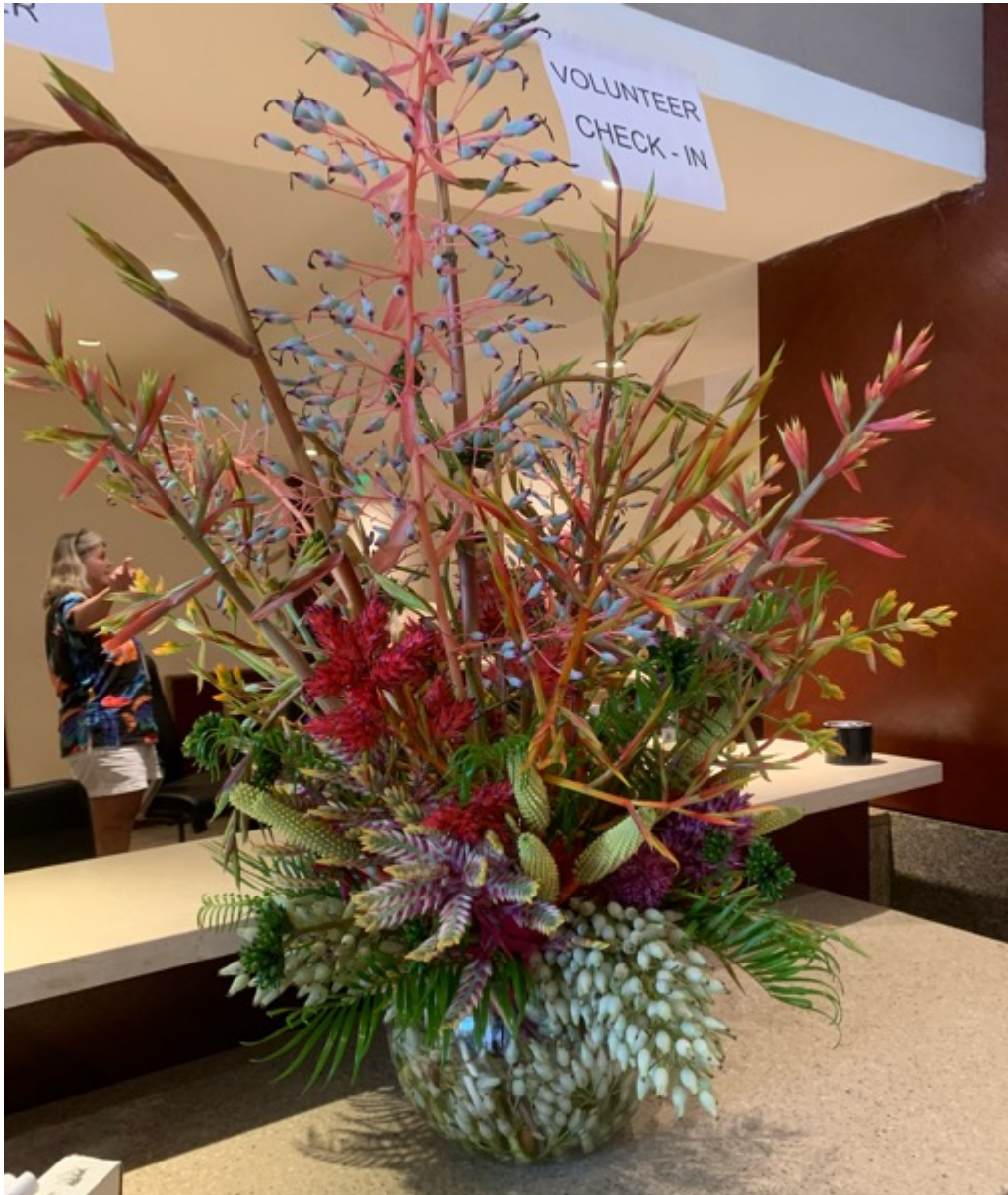




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# Sarasota Bromeliad Society *Newsletter*

June 2022



Thanks to the entire 'team' of people who worked to put the 24<sup>th</sup> World Bromeliad Conference together!

**Location:** The Great Room at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens

**Date:** Monday, July 11, 2022

**Time:** 6:30 doors open to members

7:00 Presentation

**Subject:** The 24<sup>th</sup> World Bromeliad Conference

**Speaker:** Richard Poole

**Thank you!** The Sarasota Bromeliad Society is greatly appreciative for all the time and hard work everyone put into 24<sup>th</sup> World Bromeliad Conference. There are too many people involved to thank everyone in this newsletter. The success of the conference was truly a group effort. We could not have done it without you.

**Time to have FUN!** We thought it would be nice to take the time to show our appreciation by throwing a party. Richard Poole has put together a presentation of photographs taken by professional photographers of plants and artistic arrangements in the Show as well as some photographs taken by attendees throughout the conference. It should be stunning!

**Food, Drink and Stories:** SBS will provide plenty of food and drinks. We invite you to share a dessert if you wish. It will be fun to share food and stories about the conference. We hope that you can join us.

**Raffle** – We will have a raffle table because it is always fun to add a new bromeliad to your collection as well as to share extras with fellow members!

**Thank you to our members and to Linda Sheetz, FWCBS, for sharing photographs** to put into the newsletter and the slideshow. If anyone has photographs from the tours to Tropiflora, Michael's, or Bruce Howard's, please share them and I will put them into the next newsletter. I am also looking for photographs of the speakers from the conference. I would like to put them into the SBS library for posterity.



Tour at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens.

*Photo by Nancy Abramson*





Sarasota Bromeliad Society Plant Display.

Photos by Maggie Richardson



Tropiflora Nursery Plant Display.

Photo by Nancy Abramson





Plant Sale.

Photos by Linda Sheetz and Jason Mellica



## Raffle Baskets

Photos by Nancy Abramson





Show plants.

Photos by Jerry Cowley





Show Plants.

Photos by Linda Sheetz, Terrance Hoffman, Nancy Abramson

I would like to acknowledge the Chairs for the World Conference, many of whom spent four years preparing for the conference. The conference was a success despite being rescheduled twice due to a world pandemic. Thank you for your perseverance.

Co-Chairs: Richard Poole and Greg Kolojeski

Finance Chair: Ben Klugh

SBS Treasurer: Susan Stobo

Speakers Chair: Dennis Cathcart

Tours Chair: Richard Poole

Show Co-Chairs: Terrie Bert and Betty Prevatt

Sales Chair: Brian Weber

Rare Plant Auction Co-Chairs: Michael Kiehl and Kathy Risley

Registration Chair: Sandy Burnett

Volunteers Chair: Susan Sousa

SBS Plant Display Chair: Maggie Richardson

Nursery Plant Display: Tropiflora

Raffle Chair: Nancy Abramson

Auctioneer: Ray Lemieux

Hospitality: Deb Lemieux

Thank you to Tropiflora, Michael's Bromeliads, Selby, Bruce Howard for opening your business and gardens for the World Conference tours.



f you are interested in Bromeliads, you are invited to join the Sarasota Bromeliad Society. We meet on the second Monday of the month at 6:30 PM in the Great Room at Marie Selby Botanical Gardens. Prior experience with Bromeliads is not required. Everyone is welcome! Annual dues are \$20 for individuals and \$25 for a couples. Meet with like-minded bromeliad enthusiasts. Enjoy speakers, bromeliad raffles, sales, and garden tours. Dues are paid on a calendar year basis with renewal due in January. Go to [sarasotabromeliadsociety.org](http://sarasotabromeliadsociety.org) to download the application form. Make your check out to the Sarasota Bromeliad Society. You may join at the meeting or by mailing your form to the address provided on the form.

**Officers for 2022****President** Ray Lemieux**Vice President** Jason Mellica**Secretary** Lisa Confino**Treasurer** Sara A Espinoza de Godoi**Chairpersons****Membership** Bob Stickney**Historian** position available**Newsletter Editor** Marian Kennell

**Workshop** position available  
**Refreshments** position available  
**FCBS Representatives** Jason Mellica, Marian Kennell  
**Facebook** Marian Kennell  
**Raffle** Position available  
**Door Prize** Ray Lemieux  
**Librarian** Marian Kennell  
**Shop** Mark Kennell

#### Upcoming Events

**Marie Selby Botanical Gardens** Downtown Sarasota campus: Flora Imaginaria: The Flower in Contemporary Photography. July 16 through September 25, 2022.

**Marie Selby Botanical Gardens** Historic Spanish Point campus. Seeing The Invisible – An Augmented Reality Contemporary Art Exhibit. September 25, 2021 through Summer 2023.

**Seminole Bromeliad and Tropical Plant Society:** Annual Plant Sale. August 20 9AM- Aug we at 4PM. 200 Fairmont Dr, Sanford FL 32773.  
(<https://www.Sanfordgardenclub.com/sbtps>)

**USF Botanical Gardens:** USF Botanical Plant Sale. October 9-10, 2022 10AM – 3 PM. 4202 E Fowler Ave, Tampa, FL 33620.

**Mead Botanical Garden:** Mead Botanical Garden Plant Sale and Fall Fest. Friday, Nov. 4<sup>th</sup> 2PM – 6PM, Sat. Nov 5<sup>th</sup> 8AM-4PM.. 1400 S. Denning Drive, Winter Park, FL 32789



