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Exotic Plant Show & Sale

Matthaei Botanical Gardens

1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor

September 14-15, 2019 10AM - 4:30 PM

co-presented by:

Michigan Cactus & Succulent Society

Southeast Michigan Bromeliad Society

Free Admission

Info: 734-237-4427



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October Meeting

The October meeting will take place on **Saturday, October 19, at 2:00 PM at Belle Isle Conservatory** in Detroit.

4 Inselruhe Ave, Detroit, MI 48207



It's been several years since SEMBS last visited, and many changes have taken place since Belle Isle became a Michigan State Park: the Anna Scripps Whitcomb Conservatory was reopened this summer following ten months of renovations to the greenhouse structure, and the perennial garden area is being completely re-designed, with a grand reopening scheduled for the fall of 2020; we may get a sneak peek at the outdoor garden construction as well.

In the past, bromeliads were a strong presence in the tropical house. Our members had contributed many plants to the Belle Isle collection over the years, and in the past we've had numerous meetings to work on maintaining the bromeliads. This meeting is an opportunity to renew a working relationship with the garden staff at the conservatory.

Adjacent to the Conservatory, the Belle Isle Aquarium was also recently renovated and is definitely worth a visit!

Events

EXOTIC PLANT SHOW & SALE

Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 N. Dixboro Rd., Ann Arbor, MI. Saturday and Sunday, September 14-15, 10 AM – 4:30 PM. Free Admission.

MEMBERS' PRESALE: The doors will be opened Saturday at 9:30 to SEMBS members so they may have first dibs at the beautiful selection of bromeliads. The choice is dazzling, but numbers are necessarily limited...get there before the crowds!

HAVE PLANTS TO DISPLAY? If you have a plant that makes you happy, then it deserves to be seen by others! Our goal is to have participation by at least 10 of our members: we have two large (16' x 6') tables to fill!

HAVE PLANTS TO SELL? Members are encouraged to bring "extra" plants for the sales area. Please double tag plants: one label with the name of the plant, and a second label with the \$ amount (whole dollar amounts only) and seller's initials or unique vendor number. Call Paul Wingert with any questions, 248-798-4139. **SEMBS requests a 10% donation of gross plant sales to the society.**

HOSTING: We have a lanyard with your name on it; pick it up at the SEMBS table, and spend a little time answering customers' questions. You don't need to be an expert (really)! Many of our guests never knew air plants don't live on air alone, or that there are actually plants that store water in the vase they form with their leaves...

WANT TO HELP? We can use all the help we can get! If you would like to help with setup (Friday, Sept. 14) please contact Paul Wingert, 248-798-4139. Cleanup starts Sunday at 4:30. Help is much appreciated at this point as we all want to get home as soon as possible. A few extra hands speed everything up enormously; are yours among them?



A smattering of what's on offer at this year's show: just a handful of the many plants blooming in Paul's collection this month!



