

A MONTHLY NEWSLETTER FROM THE BROMELIAD SOCIETY / HOUSTON



*Outstanding varieties presented at the 48<sup>th</sup> Bromeliad Society/Houston Show & Sale in May*

## Letter from the President



### Hello Everyone,

May was filled with so many opportunities to interact with all of you. And now comes June with even more. We leave for Florida to spend the week immersed in Bromeliads at the **World Conference** and to reconnect with folks that we have not seen since the Covid shutdowns. I am looking forward to sharing time with those of you who can attend. Then, when we all return

home, in place of our regular monthly meeting, we will gather for the **annual ABC's at our house on the 25<sup>th</sup>**. What fun!

**Scherie** has arranged for a chance to learn and practice artistic arranging with lovely tillandsias and various yard/household items. I plan to capture your works of art in photos for the bulletin and for show and tell.

Speaking of photographs, thank you for sharing your blooming plants in the bulletin this month. **Mel** has done a wonderful job displaying your treasures.

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## UPCOMING EVENTS

### JUNE 8-11

World Bromeliad Conference  
Hyatt Regency Sarasota (Sarasota, FL)

### JUNE 25, 11AM

ABC's at Stowe House *see pg.4*

### JULY 19, 7PM

Regular meeting  
Metropolitan Multi-Service Center  
1475 West Gray, Houston 77019

### JULY 21, 7:30PM

Board meeting (zoom only)

## Interested in Joining BS/H?

**There are two classes of membership:**

<b>Individual</b>	\$20 per year
<b>Family</b>	\$30 per year

All memberships begin with January of the current year.

Visit our website at

[www.bromeliadsocietyhouston.org](http://www.bromeliadsocietyhouston.org) for more information.

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# Minutes | Regular meeting | May 19<sup>th</sup>, 2022

**Location:**

Metropolitan Multi-Service Center  
1475 West Gray, Houston 77019 and on Zoom

Members were able to join the Zoom meeting at 6:30 pm.

**Call to order:** President Shirl Stowe at 7:00 pm.

**Visitors:** None

**New Members:** Forrest and Mary McBryde

**Attendance:**

via Zoom 11 logons, 14 members, and 0 visitors  
In person – 17 members and 0 visitors

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**Announcements & Committee Reports:****Shirl Stowe announced that:**

- The WBC is scheduled for June 8-12, 2022. Check the BSI website for more information.
- The annual ABC program will be held on Saturday June 25, 2022. It will be held at the home of Gordon and Shirl Stowe. Watch your Bulletin for more information.
- She was thankful for Allyn Pearlman arranging the seedlings
- Scherie Townes would be passing around a signup sheet for bringing food for the upcoming show.
- She wanted to thank Linda Whipkey for her work on the Bulletin.
- She also wanted to thank Melenie Yuen for agreeing to take over the job of Bulletin editor.
- Noreen Tolman was ill and would not be able to attend the meeting or the show.
- She had attended the Southwest Guild Show and that it was a very nice show. She also enjoyed the garden tour.
- Members have started to bring food for the meetings. In July, members whose last names begin with the letters N-Z should bring a snack.

**Allyn Pearlman reminded members about:**

- The after show party which will be held at Casa Dominguez Mexican restaurant 5213 Cedar St, Bellaire, TX. Near the corner of Bissonnet St. and Bellaire Blvd from 5:30pm until 9:30pm. Please let him know if you plan on attending and if you have any special dietary restrictions.

**Other:**

- David Whipkey talked about the upcoming show.
- David Whipkey announced that Daniel Wolfe's mother had died. He and Debbie will not be able to attend the show this weekend.
- Scherie Townes talked about the upcoming ABC program. The program will be given by Debbie Taylor and Alicia Baker.

- Scherie Townes announced that the program in July will be presented by the director of horticulture of the Shangri La Botanical Gardens and Nature Center located in Orange TX.
- Ruby Adams announced that Faye Stansberry underwent knee surgery last Friday, and that she was recovering nicely.
- Linda Whipkey outlined the new volunteer program that the Membership Development Committee is implementing. Members can earn points by volunteering to work on committees and help out at functions. Prizes will be awarded in November with the person with the most points winning a gift certificate to the Tropiflora Nursery and the person with the next highest total winning win a ticket to the annual Holiday party.
- Cherie Lee requested that all people planning on donating plants for the after show party auction should contact her. She would like to know the name of the plants being donated so that she can start entering them into the computer.

**Name tag drawing winner** – Scherie Townes

**Membership winner** – Jarrett Stowe

**Program:** Scherie Townes introduced our speakers Malcolm McCorquodale III and Ruby Adams. They gave a presentation titled "It's Almost Show Time!" That dealt with how to choose plants for entry into the show.

**Show & Tell:** There was none. Gordon Stowe shared a few pictures that he had taken at the Southwest Guild show last weekend.

**Adjournment:** A motion to adjourn was made by Malcolm McCorquodale III and seconded by Ruby Adams. The meeting was adjourned at 8:07 pm.

## President's message continued...from page 1

I'm hoping that you will send even more photos of your plants (blooming or not) to **Gordon Stowe** ([grstowe@comcast.net](mailto:grstowe@comcast.net)) so they can be shared at the next meeting for show and tell. He asked that you also send

photos of your growing areas/ greenhouses/shelters. Members are interested in your potting benches, tables, and any other support projects that you have built or created. **PLEASE SHARE** so that

Show and Tell at the July meeting will be full of great ideas.

As always, I look forward to seeing all of you soon.

*Shirl Stowe*

## May Program recap | Selecting winning plants

For the past May meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup>, presenters and members **Malcolm McCorquodale** and **Ruby Adams** went through a few examples of choosing show-ready plants. They also demonstrated how to meticulously clean your plant - like picking out pine needles and other leaves, shaking the living daylighters out of them, or plucking a few squatting creatures out of them! Several of their main points to consider are listed in the graphic below.

But the main golden rule remember:

**Just bring a clean plant!**



### ! THINGS TO CONSIDER



1 Clean your plant



2 Make sure the pot is the appropriate size and clean too!

Tillanda - *wha?*

It's a Tillandsia!  
TILL-LAND-SEE-YUH

3 Doublecheck name & classification



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# Upcoming June Program | ABCs

## What are the ABCs?

The ABCs are typically an annual event/workshop to go over basic hands-on instruction in the realm of bromeliads. It is usually held at a society member's home.

New members are highly encouraged to come as it is a great way to learn new skills and meet and mingle with other members to pick their brains.

The ABCs event takes the place of our regular meeting for the month. There will be no June regular meeting.

### From Scherie Townes

The date for the ABC event this year is June 25th at 11:00 AM at the home of **Gordon and Shirl Stowe**

6514 Blue Hills Rd., Houston, TX 77069 ■ phone: 360-509-5144

The society will provide barbeque and drinks.

Members please bring a dessert or side dish please.

If you have not sent your RSVP for attendance, please contact **Scherie Townes** at [scherietownes@hotmail.com](mailto:scherietownes@hotmail.com)

Our speaker is **Debbie Taylor**, she will be demonstrating some unique methods for mounting tillandsias. Everyone will receive three tillandsias from several species presented and a choice of materials for mounting.

Also at the ABC event **Alicia Baker** will present a short talk about the plant holders that she makes and will provide plans for making our own. We will not be making the pot holders on the 25th.



**Mmm barbecue...!!**



**! Annual ABC's**  
**Saturday, June 25**  
**11 am - whenever!**

**Stowe House**  
6514 Blue Hills Rd., Houston, TX 77069





# 41st annual Southwest Bromeliad Guild show



Various photos by **Shirl Stowe** taken at the Southwest Bromeliad Guild show held at the Double Tree Hotel in Kenner, Louisiana over May 14<sup>th</sup> -15<sup>th</sup>.



## ! Various Shows

There are several annual shows and sales held by the Bromeliad Society International and its affiliates.

### **Bromeliad Society Houston Show & Sale**

(Occurs every year)

### **World Bromeliad Conference by BSI**

(Occurs every other year)

### **Southwest Bromeliad Guild Show**

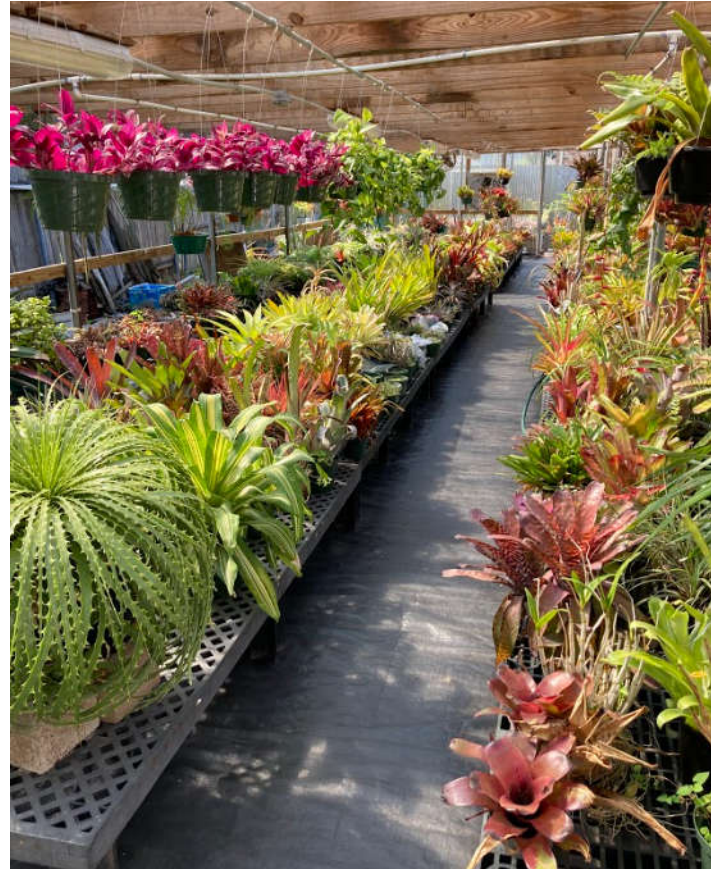
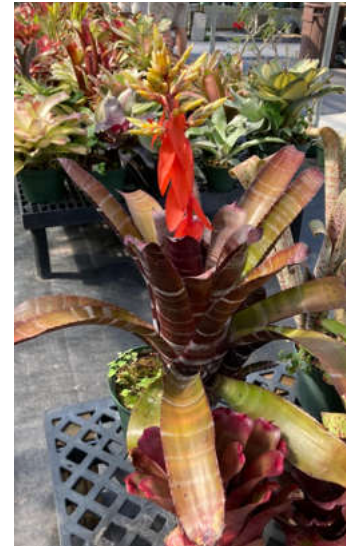
(Usually occurs during years when BSI does not hold a show)

Each featuring award-winning Bromeliads from various members. Go for the inspiration! Go for the memories!



# Southwest Bromeliad Guild Garden Tour

AT THE HOME OF BRYAN WINDHAM, PRESIDENT OF SWBG, KENNER, LOUISIANA

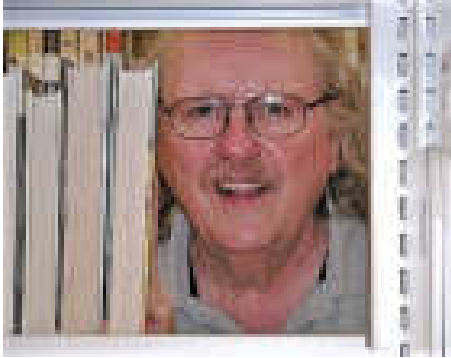




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# 谢谢你

## Whipkey's Word



By David Whipkey

Please excuse me for recycling an article that was published in October 2018 using it this month.

While attending our annual show, I got to thinking about a few words that were not exactly botanic terms.

Many were good words; a few were bad words. I chose one of the good words to be Whipkey's Word for June. That word is 谢谢你.

Since not many of you speak Chinese, I will translate. 谢谢你 in English means thank you.

On behalf of **Don Green** and myself I want to say 谢谢你 to all the people who helped make the Bromeliad Society/Houston's 48<sup>th</sup> annual show a rousing success.

I have heard that it takes a village to raise a child. I can tell you from experience that it takes a community of hard workers to put on a plant show. Your work ethic is astounding. Your enthusiasm is infectious. So many people pitched in and did

everything that was needed to make the show a success.

谢谢你 to the committee chairs, the co-chairs, the committee members, the people who entered plants into the show (far more in fact than I could ever have expected), the people who brought plants for the sale, the judges, the members who just wandered in and did what needed to be done, and my co-chair **Don**. Most of all I say 谢谢你 to my wife, **Linda**, who put up with me throughout the entire process.

I thought that it was a great show. I hope that all of you enjoyed it as much as I did. Looking forward to working with all of you in the future.



*Fantastic display at the showroom for 2022 - photo by M. Yuen*

# 48th annual Bromeliad Society/Houston Show

"A DECADE OF BROMELIADS" LIST OF WINNERS | MAY 20-22, 2022

**Congratulations** to the following winners of the 2022 Bromeliad Society/Houston show held at the Judson Robinson Community Center between May 21 -22.

## SPECIAL RECOGNITION



Photo © 2022 Malcolm McCorquodale

**Mulford B. Foster Best of Show - Horticulture**  
Cherie Lee - *Aechmea brassicoides*



Photo © 2022 Malcolm McCorquodale

**Morris Henry Hobbs Best of Show - Artistic**  
Alicia Baker - *Tillandsia brachycaulis*

**Hobbyist Sweepstakes**  
Rick Richtmeyer

**Genera Sweepstakes**  
Cherie Lee

**The John M. Anderson Best Aechmea**  
Frank Lee - *Aechmea bracteata*

**The Valerie L. Steckler Hort. Display Sweepstakes**  
Rick Richtmeyer

**The Lou Trahan Artistic Sweepstakes** N/A

**The Lindsey Stowe Cryptanthus Sweepstakes** N/A

**The Gary E. Gallick Best Terrestrial**  
Cherie Lee - *Hechtia lanata* X *Hechtia myriantha*

**The Bob Whitman Best Cryptanthus Species**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Forzzaea leopoldo-horstii*

**The Warren Loose Best Cryptanthus Hybrid**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Cryptanthus* 'Judy B'

## BEST OF DIVISIONS

**Division I - Individual Specimen plant, Blooming**  
Frank Lee - *Tillandsia heliconioides* X *Tillandsia malzinei*

**Section A - Single Blooming plant**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Orthophytum* 'Heavy Metal'

**Division II - Individual Specimen plant, Foliage**  
Cherie Lee - *Hohenbergia catingae*

**Section A - Single Foliage plant**  
Cherie Lee - *Aechmea phanerophlebia*

**Division III - Multiple Specimen plant, Blooming**  
John Schmidt - *Tillandsia eltoniana*

**Section A - Multiple Blooming plants**  
Cherie Lee - *Tillandsia* 'Curly Slim'

**Division IV - Multiple Specimen plant, Foliage**  
Frank Lee - *Aechmea bracteata*

**Section A - Multiple Foliage plant**  
Cherie Lee - *Wallisia cyanea* variegated

**Division V - Intergeneric Hybrid plant**  
Rick Richtmeyer - x*Sincoregelia* 'Microdot'  
(*Neoregelia* 'Bitzer' X *Sincoraea navioides*)

**Section A - Single plant**  
Cherie Lee - x*Sincoregelia* 'Firecracker'

**Section B - Multiple plants**  
Rick Richtmeyer - x*Billmea* 'Pancho'  
(*Billbergia nutans* X *Aechmea recurvata*)

**Division VI - Horticultural Displays, Single plant**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Tillandsia kegeliana*

**Section A - Single Blooming plant** N/A

**Section B - Single Foliage plant**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Tillandsia aeranthes* dark form

**Division VII - Horticultural Displays, Two or more plant**  
Rick Richtmeyer - *Tillandsia tricholepis*

**Section A - Two or More, Blooming plant**  
Alicia Baker - *Tillandsia usneoides*

**Section B - Two or More, Foliage plant**  
John Schmidt - *Tillandsia duratii*

**Division VIII- Artistic Arrangements** N/A

**Section A - Standard Sized Artistic Arrangements** N/A

**Section B - Miniature Artistic Arrangements** N/A

**Division IX - Decorative Containers**  
Ruby Adams - *Cryptanthus* 'Jennifer'

**Section A - Natural materials**  
Vickey Gurka - *Tillandsia aeranthes* X  
*Tillandsia stricta*

**Section B - Man made materials** N/A

**Division X - Special Exhibitors**

**Section A - Judge's challenge**  
David Whipkey - *Tillandsia novakii*

**Section B- Novice**  
Mike O'Neal - *Billbergia* 'Casa Blanca'

## OTHER RECOGNITION

**Most Eye Catching Neoregelia**  
Margo Racca - *Neoregelia* 'Groves Red Tiger'

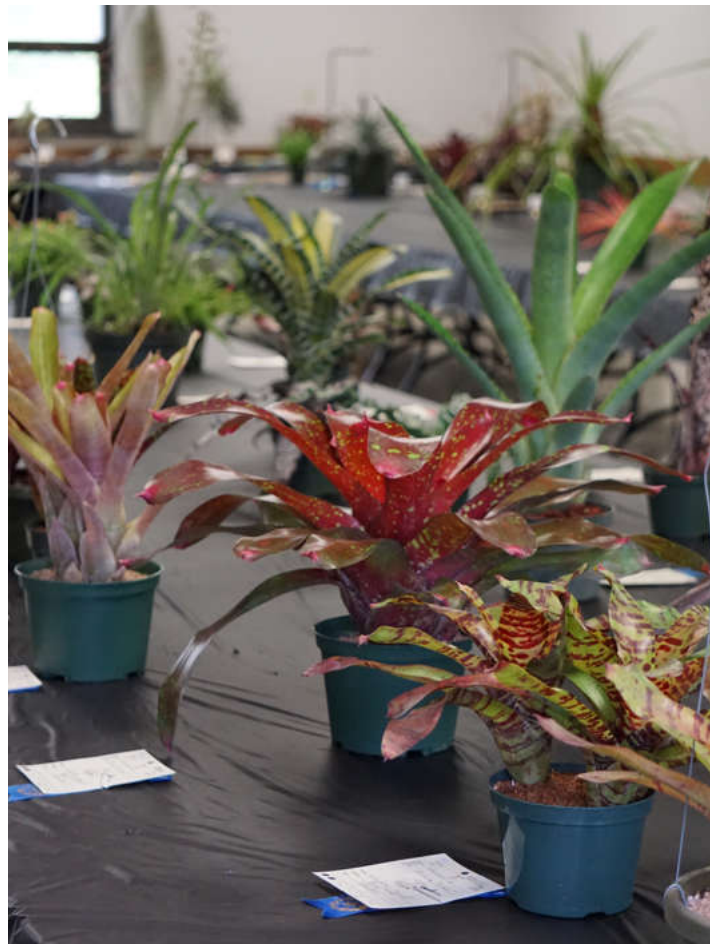
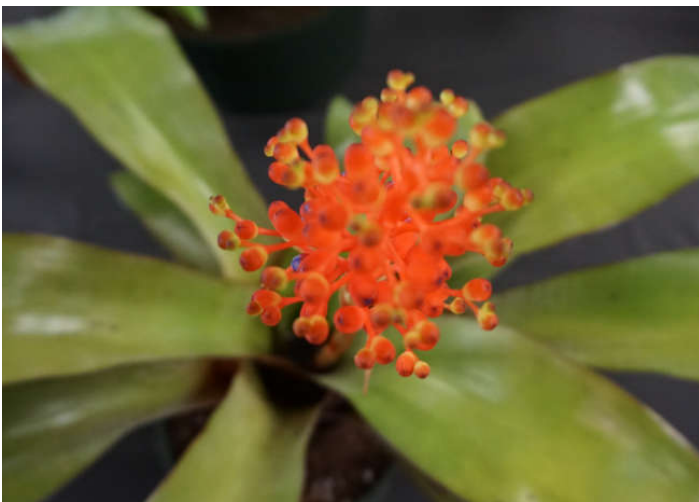
**Member's Choice**  
Chris Nguyen - *Dyckia* 'Pallaphat'

Look out for more photos of show plants in the coming bulletins!



# 48th annual Bromeliad Society/Houston Show

EDITOR'S FAVORITES - PHOTOS BY M. YUEN



**Top left:** *Catopsis berteroniana* from Cherie Lee

**Top right:** *Simcorea ulei* from Cherie Lee

**Middle left:** *Aechmea fulgens* var. *discolor* from Alicia Baker

**Bottom left:** *Cryptanthus 'Ruby Port'* from Frank Lee

**Bottom right:** foreground top left to bottom right *Neoregelia spectabilis*, *Neoregelia 'First Prize'*, *Neoregelia 'Blushing Tiger'* all by David Whipkey





# BSH Show & Sale photos continued...

PHOTOS BY LINDA WHIPKEY



**Top left:** A busy sale room  
**Top right:** Scene from the BSH sale

**Middle right:** Scherie Townes checking labels for the show

**Bottom left:** *Aechmea egleriana* from Cherie Lee

**Bottom right:** *Lymania spiculata* from Rick Richtmeyer





# Thank you to our 48<sup>th</sup> Annual BSH show judges!



## Judges from left to right:

Don Green (co-chair)  
Aaron Davila  
Margo Racca  
David Whipkey  
Chris Krumrey  
Rick Richtmeyer (chair)

## Lead Clerk:

Linda Whipkey

## Clerks not pictured:

Carole Richtmeyer  
Shirl Stowe  
Mel Yuen

Want to be a part of the action next year?

**Volunteer to clerk!** Contact Linda Whipkey for details!

## BSH After Show Party at Casa Dominguez

**Alicia Baker**, pictured below left - swept the auction floor clean, taking home some of the most sought after and coveted auction plants. One tiny particular plant held in her left hand, is an extremely rare *Dyckia Pallaphat* brought in by **Chris Nguyen**. According to **Chris**, this little guy who originated in Thailand, is probably one of FOUR of this plant in the entire North American continent.

Congratulations **Alicia** on being newly minted plant-mom to one of the rarest plants~!

On another note, **David Whipkey**, below right, ran an entertainingly successful auction this year with his wonderful assistant, **Vickey Gurka** - oops, correction, Vanna White. Also, cheers to **Allyn Pearlman** and team for throwing an awesome Show & Party!

And a special thank you to our Plant Auction donors: Jimbo's, Margo Racca, Frank and Cherie Lee, Vickey Gurka, Mary Cinotto & John Edmonson, Chris and Marsha Krumrey, Rick & Carole Richtmeyer, John Schmidt, Ruby Adams and Chris Nguyen.



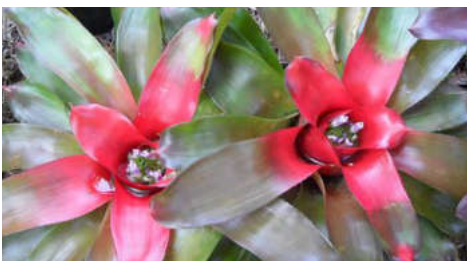


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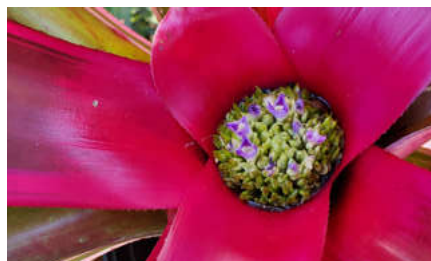
PHOTOS COLLECTED FROM BSH MEMBERS, JUNE 2022



*Dyckia 'Cole' (D. 'Tarzana' X D. 'Keswick') - P. Buenaventura*



*Neoregelia 'Scarlet O'Hara' - M. Cinotto*



*Neo. 'Skotak's Raphael' - A. Baker*



*Cryptanthus 'Gypsy Rose' - M. Cinotto*



*Tillandsia reichenbachii - M. Cinotto*

 Submit your photo!

Want to share some of your spectacular broms? Send along high-resolution photos along to [bsh.editor@gmail.com](mailto:bsh.editor@gmail.com) before the end of the month for them to be featured in the newsletter.

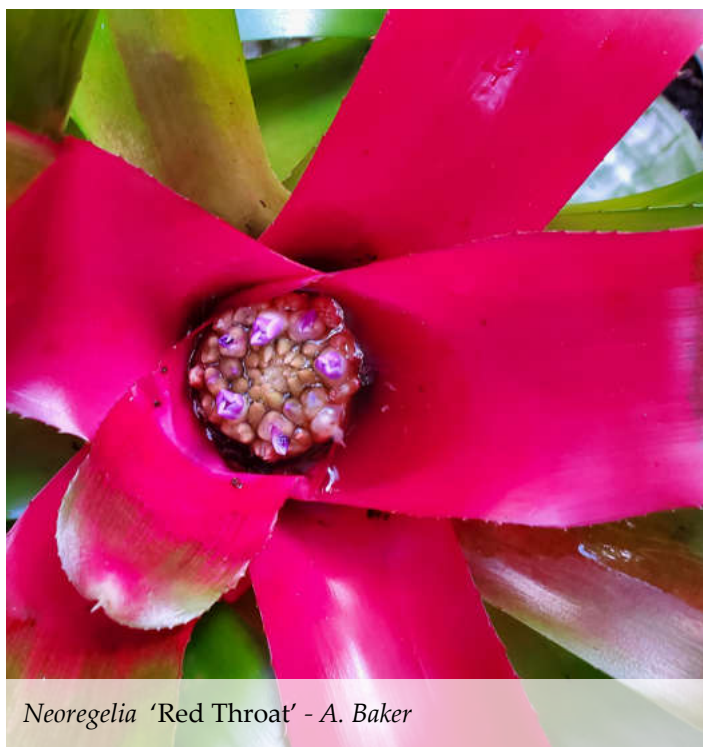
When sending along your rock-star image, be sure to name your image file for easy identification like the example below:

Plantname\_OwnerName.jpg



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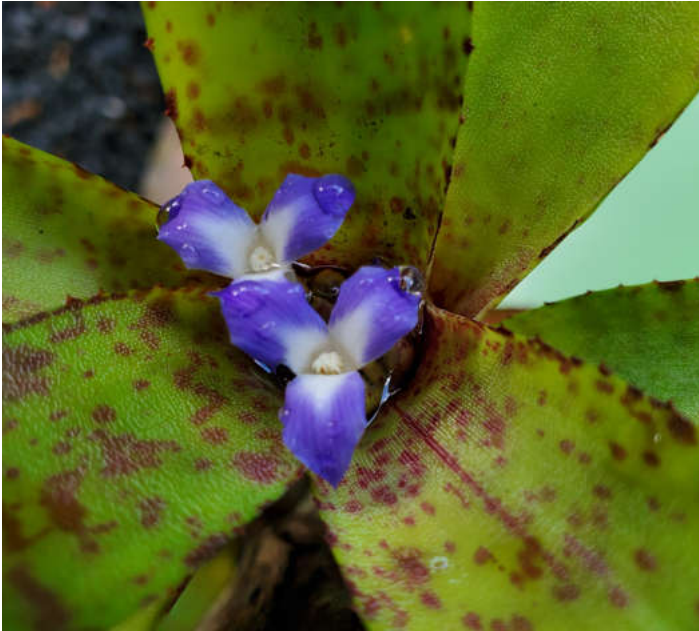
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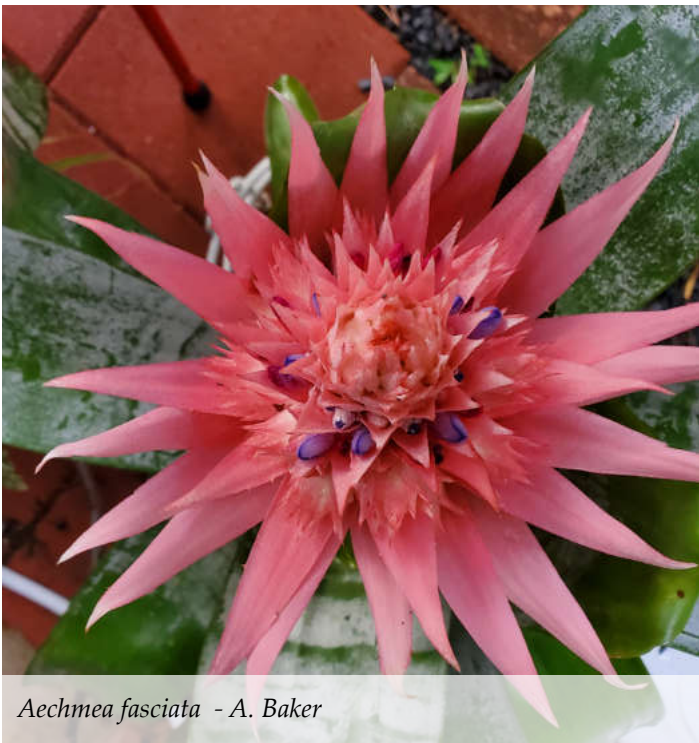
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*Neoregelia ampullacea* - A. Baker



*Aechmea nudicaulis* var. *aequitas* - M. Cinotto



*Aechmea fasciata* - A. Baker



*Cryptanthus marginatus* - M. Cinotto



*Neoregelia* 'Dreamcicle' - A. Baker

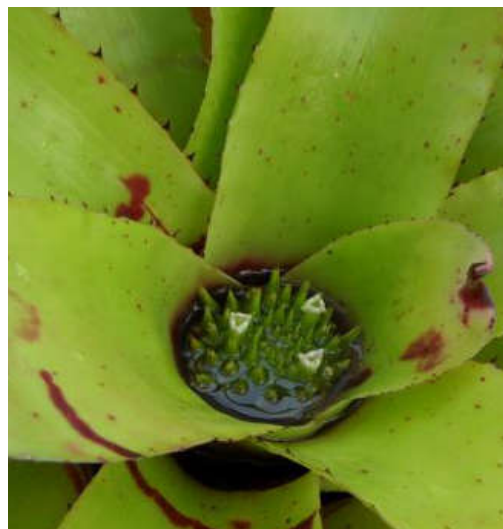


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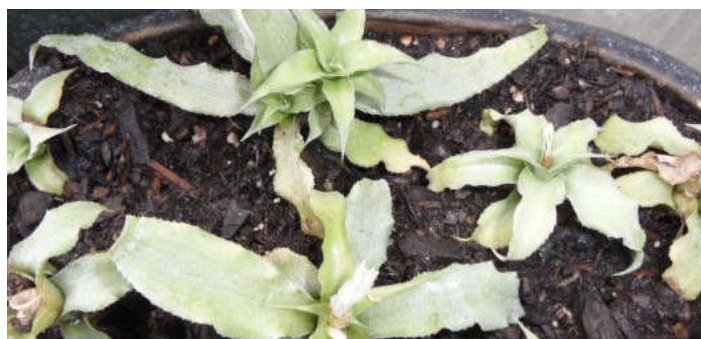
*Billbergia brasiliensis* - D. Whipkey



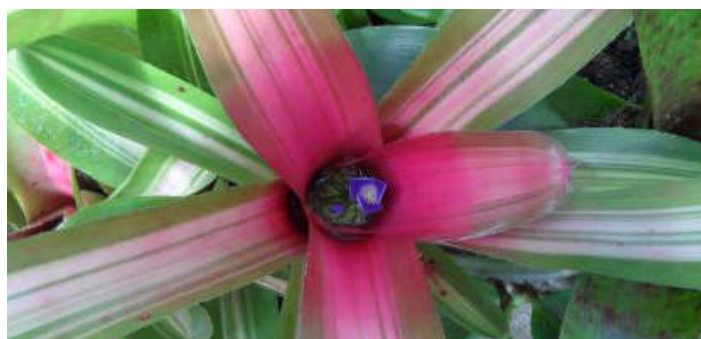
*Neoregelia carcharodon* - M. Cinotto



*Aechmea nudicaulis* - M. Cinotto



*Cryptanthus acaulis* - M. Cinotto



*Neoregelia 'Nanus'* - M. Cinotto



# ? Do you know?

If you are able to help us identify the photos, please send along your expertise to

[bsh.editor@gmail.com](mailto:bsh.editor@gmail.com)

We'll publish along your response/ expertise in next month's issue, thank you for participating!

## Name that Bromeliad!

Need help with Plant identification?

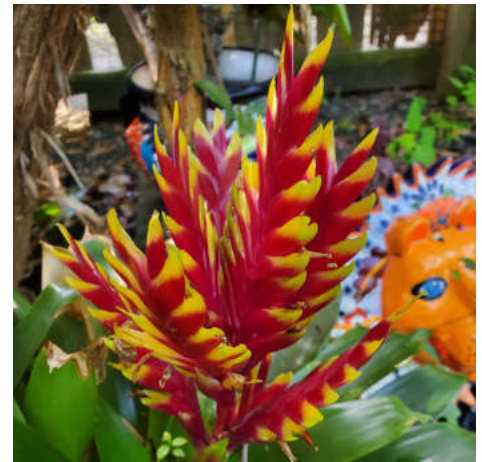
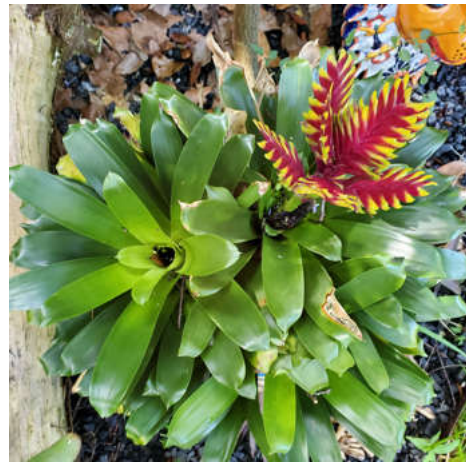
Send in 3 photos of your plant:

**Side view**

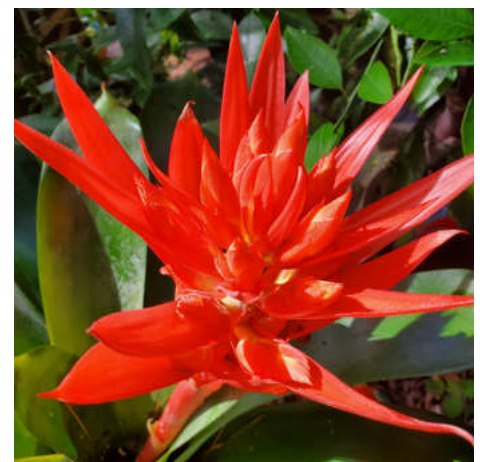
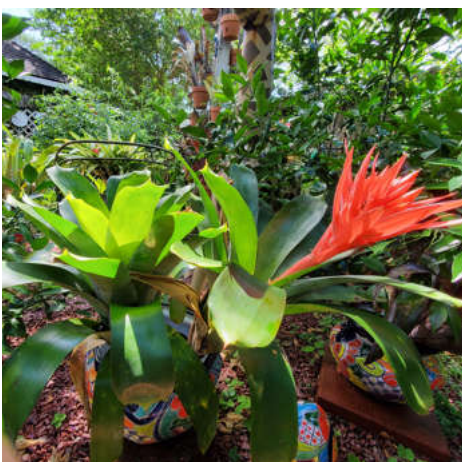
**Top down view**

**Bloom view**

and check this page out next month, and hopefully our experts at the society can help us ID! You can also bring in your plant to our monthly meetings for show and tell and ask there :)



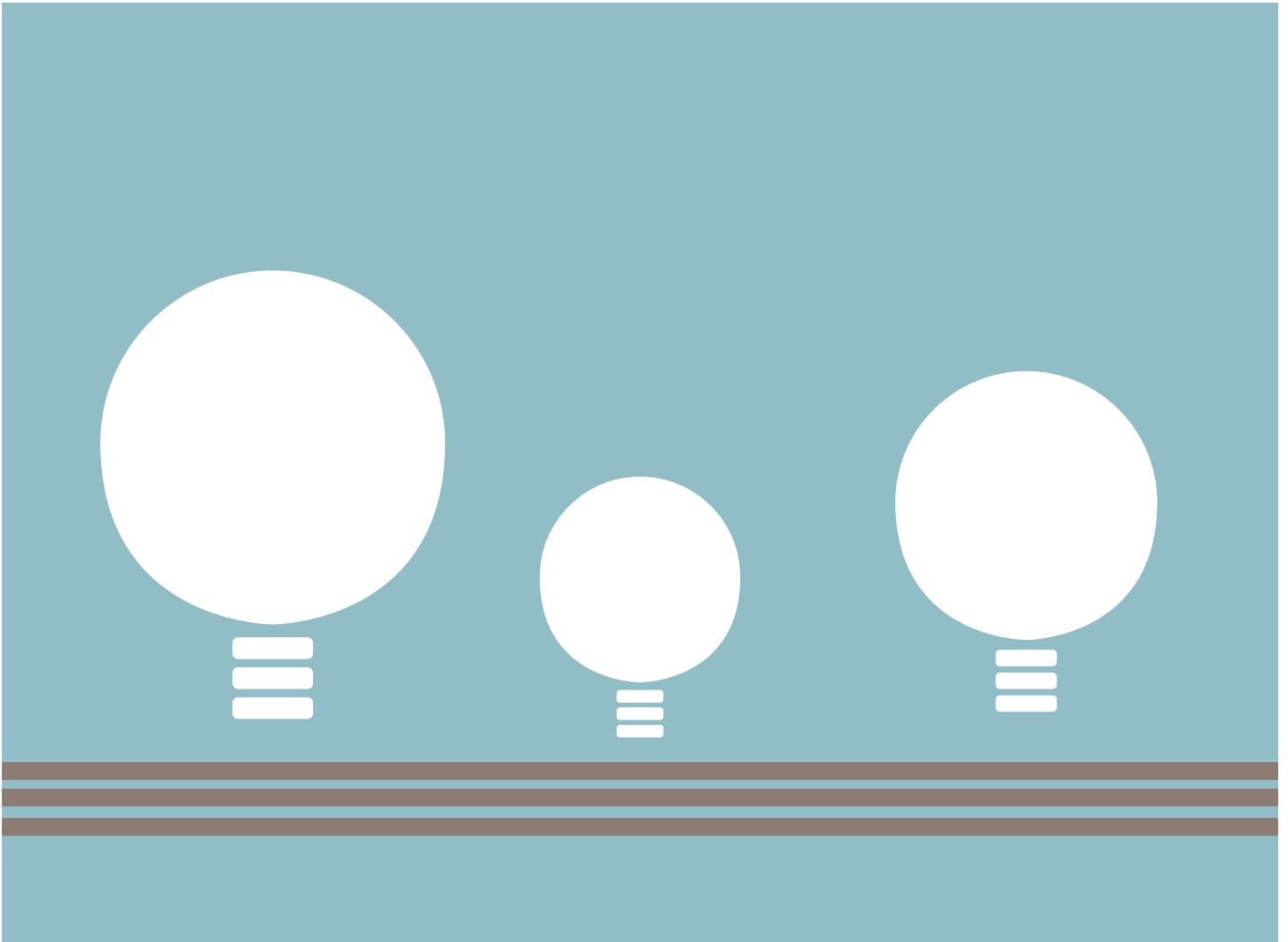
From Alicia Baker: "This is a Vriesea, don't know which one. Was in a basket a friend gave me. But it is very pretty."



From Alicia Baker: "This is an Aechmea that I bought a long time ago from Mercer. soft leaf like a fascita but have no idea what it is. Maybe some else does. I have to look it up. once it is full bloom."



Random musings...



**Q: Why did the gardener  
plant light bulbs?**


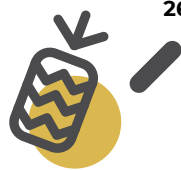
A: He wanted a power plant!

# Bromeliad Society HOUSTON Inc.

## Calendar of events

### SAVE THE DATES

- Jun 25** ABC's at Stowe House
- Jul 19** Regular meeting
- Jul 21** Board meeting (zoom only)
- Aug 16** Regular meeting

Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday	Sunday		
Memorial Day 30	31	Happy Birthday Cherie Lee June 1	2	Happy Birthday Billie Emanuel 3	4	5		
6 Look out for our June bulletin!	7	<b>24<sup>th</sup> WORLD BROMELIAD CONFERENCE 2022, SARASOTA, FL</b> TUES, June 8 <sup>th</sup> - SAT, June 11 <sup>th</sup> For more information visit <a href="https://www.bsi.org/new/conference-corner/">https://www.bsi.org/new/conference-corner/</a>				11	Happy Birthday John Sarkisian 12	
Happy Birthday Mike O'Neal 13	Flag Day 14	15	16	Happy Birthday Gordon Stowe 17	18	Father's Day Juneteenth 2:00pm TGC Fern Society Judson Robinson Jr. Community Center 2020 Hermann Drive, Houston, TX 77004 19		
20	21	22	23	24 	25 11:00am JUNE ABC's Held at Stowe House see page 4	26 		
27	28	29	30	July 1 Happy Birthday Rev. Dave Schneider	2	3		
Independence Day 4 Look out for our July bulletin!	5	6	7:30pm Houston Orchid Society General meeting First Christian Church 1601 Sunset Boulevard, Houston, TX	8	Happy Birthday Maylon Lamar Adams!	9	10	
11	Happy Birthday Allyn Pearlman 12	13	14	15	16	17		
18	7:00pm BSH General meeting Metropolitan Multi-service center 1475 West Gray St. Houston, TX 77019 Hybrid in-person & online Zoom	19	20	7:30pm BSH Board meeting Zoom only meeting	21	22	Happy Birthday Aaron Davila 23	24



# 2022 Officers and Chairmen

<b>President</b> Shirl Stowe <a href="mailto:birddogL19@outlook.com">birddogL19@outlook.com</a>	<b>Secretary</b> David Whipkey	<b>Past President</b> Cherie Lee
<b>Vice President</b> Scherie Townes	<b>Treasurer</b> Allyn Pearlman	

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<b>Through 2022</b> Madge Donaldson Michael O'Neal	<b>Through 2023</b> Alicia Baker John Schmidt	<b>Through 2024</b> Gordon Stowe Melenie Yuen
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## Standing Committees

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<b>Family</b>	\$30 per year

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Regular meeting first Thursday of month at 7:30 PM  
First Christian Church | 1601 Sunset Blvd



## Texas Gulf Coast Fern Society

[www.tgcfersoc.org](http://www.tgcfersoc.org)

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## ON THE COVER...

The BS/H Bulletin has had a slight makeover!

Our hopes is to continue to bring engaging content and news for all of our members and new members alike. A special thank you to **Mary Cinotto, Linda Whipkey and David Whipkey** for excellent turnover notes and instruction.

This will be a continual work in progress, so feedback will be greatly appreciated. Look forward to working with everyone!

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