Botanical Art Worldwide: America's Flora

Arizona Barrel Cactus, Ferocactus wislizeni, Pen and ink, watercolor ©Joan McGann
Opening in May of 2018, the American Society of Botanical Artists (ASBA) in collaboration with the United States Botanic Garden will present a juried exhibition of artworks of native plants, staged in the U.S. Botanic Garden's gallery space. The exhibition includes 46 original contemporary botanical artworks, juried from a field of over 200 entries. Slated to remain on view at the U.S. Botanic Garden through October 2018, the exhibition will then travel through the end of 2019.

ARTISTS IN RESIDENCE

Meet an artist as they draw plants live amongst our botanical art exhibits. Throughout the exhibit run, artists will create new artworks of USBG collection plants and talk with visitors about their work and style. Upcoming artists include:

- SEPT 3-9: Judy Thomas -- colored pencil, graphite (plants to draw: Nepenthes, Brighamia, Heliconia)
- SEPT 10-16: Paula Blair -- watercolor, graphite, colored pencil (plants to draw: succulent or orchid)
- SEPT 24-30: Molly Hoopes -- watercolor on hot press paper
- OCT 1-7: Elena Maza Borkland -- watercolor or colored pencil (plants to draw: black cotton (Gossypia nigra), orchids, Medinilla) See photos
- OCT 8-14: Vicki Malone -- colored pencil, graphite
- Joe Bailey (plant drawn: Trichocentrum "Ollie Palmer" orchid) See photos
- Anne Clippinger (plant drawn: Solanum aethiopicum) See photos
- Cynthia McCormick (plant drawn: Sarracenia leucophylla 'Tarnok') See photos
- Sue Fierston (plant drawn: Anemone x hybrida 'September Charm') See photos

WORLDWIDE DAY OF BOTANICAL ART

We celebrated the Worldwide Day of Botanical Art on May 18 with three programs for visitors to join in this day. See photos in this online album.

- Meet the Artists: Botanical Art Worldwide: America's Flora
- Behind-the-Scenes: Botanical Art Worldwide: America's Flora

Learn more about the international exhibit >>

See images of all 46 pieces of art:

List of artists and plants included in the exhibit:

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