

Clone preservation project goes statewide
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At the 10 Jan 2009 meeting of the Florida Council of Bromeliad Societies (FCBS) representatives, Nat DeLeon urged extension of the clone preservation project currently underway at BSSF to all areas of the state. The proposal was accepted and it is time to move forward.

Given the daunting size of the overall project, we would like to start with a more reasonable subproject. We will first attempt to locate and assess the abundance of hybrids and species cultivars produced in the Miami area. This includes plants produced by Ralph Davis, Bob & Catherine Wilson, Gary Hendrix, Bullis Bromeliads and Nat DeLeon.

A preliminary listing of the plants we are searching for (by hybridizer) was compiled from the Bromeliad Cultivar Registry. We know there are errors and lots of omissions in this list, but it provides a convenient starting point. If you have any corrections or additions to this list, please send them along.

Bullis Bromeliads

Aechmea Alegria, Big Harv*, Black, Blue Moon, Blue Tango*, Burning Bush*, Carioca, Chocolate, Coppertone, Del Mar*, Dennis B.*, Fantasia*, Flamingo, Galaxy, Hacienda, Jubilee, Little Harv*, Marcelino, Patricia, Peaches 'N Cream*, Peggy, Pica, Pink Banners, Pink Passion, Shining Light, Tropic Torch, Yellowstone

Androlaechmea Dean*

Ananas Mongo*

Canmea Galaxy*

Guzmania Ice Cream, Ice Milk, Poinsettia, Van Horne, Yellow Marjan

Neoregelia Antigua, Bailey, Ballerina, Buckingham, Carmen, Carousel, Chardonnay, First Prize, Fairchild, Flamenco, Gespacho*, Isabel, Jeffrey Block*, Kiti Wenzel, Las Vegas, Little Rose*, Lois Bullis, Mackaboy, Magic Palette, Marsala, Maya, Medium Rare, Mocha Mint, Mojave Beauty, Moonshine*, Patricia, Peggy Bailey, Prince, Puerto Rico, Purple Rain, Red Pepper, Rivera, Sparkle, Spots, Sundance, Sunshine, Super Fireball, Tossed Salad*

Vriesea Bananas, Caramba, Herb, Mint Julep, Queen Mariae, Sensation

Ralph Davis

Aechmea Anonymous, Bill Hobbs, Dubiosa, Ignotus, Kashkiniana, Morris

Henry Hobbs, RaRu

Canmea RaRu

Guzvriesea Jeannie

Neomea Memoria Ralph Davis, Ralph Davis, Whisky Street

Neoregelia All Red, Crown Prince, Cup of Flame, Davis' Pink, Green Wine, Karen, Little Punk, Mac Mar, Malibu, Pink Felt, Ralph Davis, Red Best, Rio Ochre, Ruby, Ruby Lee, Spotted Maroon, Takemura Grande, Takemura Princeps, Ti Di

Nidularium RaRu, Red Queen, Ruby Lee

Vriesea Bamboo Hybrids

Nat DeLeon

Aechmea Candy Stripe*, chantinii DeLeon*, Coppertone, David Barry*, Eileen, El Morro, fasciata DeLeon*, fasciata Gray Ghost, Fascicaulis, nudicaulis Silver Streak*, Orange Sherbert, Pica, Pink Frosty, Pink Rocket, Porphyry Pearls, Purple Gem, Starbrite, Victoria*.

Ananas Candy Stripe

Canmea Smokey

Dyckia Yellow Glow

Guzmania Cherry Smash, Dubbonett, lingulata Superb, Shining Brightly, Spirit of '76, Star Fire, Wild Cherry

Neophytum Gary Hendrix, Ralph Davis

Neoregelia Fraseana, Inferno, Orange, Purple Haze, Royal Prince, Spiralis, Spots and Dots, Stormy Weather, Super Fireball, Thunderclouds

Nidularium Sao Paulo*

Nidumea Midnight, Superstar

Ortholarium Hades

Orthomea Powderpuff

Orthophytum Blaze

Vriesea Blaze, Eileen, Juno, Perfida, Stopligh

Gary Hendrix

Aechmea Harlequin

Guzmania Candy Corn

Neophytum Firecracker, Shiraz

Neoregelia Amethyst, Angel Face,* Ariel*, Aurora, Avila, Big Mac, Bob Read's Lad, Butterball, Cheers*, Clover, Domino*, Echo, Fiesta, Gemini, Granada*, Grape,

Green Apple*, Joseph's Coat, Medusa, P (yes, just P), Peppermint, Pinwheel,
Pollyanna, Prince, Purple Haze, Red Clover, Red Waif*, Redneck, Sailor's Warning,
Sara Lee*, Shamrock, Tar Baby*, Tinta, Twinkle, Windemere, Yamamoto

Nidumea Kathleen

Orthophytum Blaze, Copper Penny*

If you have any of these plants, or think you have any of these plants. Please bring them to a monthly meeting if you think they are not commonly found in collections. (Plants known to be available commercially are noted with an *. Please let us know if other plants are available.)

Our lists are clearly incomplete for Bullis Bromeliads and, especially, Nat DeLeon. If you have hybrids not on the above list that you think came from either of these sources, bring them in.