

Salvia Summit 2008 Program

Revised 7/24/08

July 31, Thursday evening 5 - 7 p.m.

Social get together & registration,
Cabrillo College horticulture facility, building 5000.

August 1, Friday 5005 large lecture room

8 - 9 a.m. Registration and continental breakfast

9 - 9:30 a.m. **Welcoming remarks & Cabrillo salvia collection, Ernie Wasson**

9:30 - 10:30 a.m. **California salvias (Bart O'Brien)**

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 11:45 a.m. **Roundtable discussion**

Growing salvias around the world - most challenging species

**(Bart O'Brien, Richard Dufresne, Kathe Navarez, John & Lynsey
Pink, Yoji Saito, Sue Templeton, Yoke van der Meer)**

12 - 1:30 p.m. Buffet lunch

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **Salvia collection at Rodbaston College, England
(Yoke van der Meer)**

2:30 - 2:45 p.m. Break

2:45 - 3:30 p.m. **Salvias in Japan (Yoji Saito)**

3:30 - 3:45 p.m. Break

3:45 - 5:00 **Tours of Cabrillo horticulture facility & salvia collection**

5 - 6 p.m. **Social hour at Horticulture Center**

6 - 7:30 p.m. **Buffet dinner (Greenhouse 5300)**

7:30 p.m. **Mexican salvia trips (Jeff Chemnick) Rm 5005**

August 2, Saturday large lecture room 5005

8 - 9 a.m. Continental breakfast

9 - 10 a.m. **Explorations for Mexican salvias (Christian Froissart)**

10 - 10:30 a.m. **Texas & New Mexican Salvia Challenges (John Rembetski)**

10:30 - 10:45 a.m. Break

10:45 - 11:15 a.m. **Genetic Matters - Species, Cultivars, Hybrids,
Seed Strains etc. (Bart O'Brien)**

11:15 - 11:45 a.m. **Medicinal Salvia species of the Western Hemisphere
(Aaron Jenks)**

12 - 1:30 p.m. Buffet lunch

1:30 - 2:30 p.m. **Popular Salvias in the San Francisco Bay Area
(Don Mahoney)**

2:30 - 3:00 p.m. Break - **Seed exchange in bldg 5000 foyer**

3:00 p.m. **Workshops & sharing sessions 20 minutes each**

Kathe Navarez - Propagating salvias (Greenhouse 5300) 3:00 / 3:30

Christian Froissart - Keying out salvias (rm 5005) 3:00 / 4:00

Ginny Hunt - Collecting, cleaning, storing seeds (rm 5010) 3:00 / 3:30

4:15 p.m. **Round table discussion of future Salvia connections**

Evening dinner off campus (see list of recommended restaurants)

August 3rd, Sunday (Self directed garden tours)

SUNDAY GARDEN TOURS, August 3

2 private gardens will be open Sunday, August 3, from 10 am until 4 pm. In addition, there will be an opportunity to visit the Salvias at Suncrest Wholesale Nursery in Watsonville from 11:30 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Private garden: Marwin Gardens, Watsonville

Situated in the hills east of Watsonville, the garden of Sandi Martin flourishes among mature avocados and citrus. This country ranch garden features many Salvia species and cultivars, as well as California native plants and fragrant flowers. The garden is close to frost-free so many species can and do grow with enthusiasm. There is a lot to see in this garden. It is visited by coyotes, deer and a mountain lion, as well as all manner of beneficial insects.

This garden is a half hour drive south of Cabrillo College, near Highway 152 and Casserly Road.

Private garden: Betsy Clebsch's garden, La Honda

Betsy's enthusiasm for Salvias has been an inspiration for many gardeners. Her garden has provided invaluable cultural information on so many Salvia species and cultivars. Betsy has planted and tended all available Salvia species and cultivars here over the last 30+ years. At close to 2000 feet in elevation, the country setting includes views of the distant ocean as well as summer dry hills.

This garden is a 90 minute drive north of Cabrillo College, close to Highway 35.

Suncrest Nurseries is a wholesale nursery that is not open to the general public. There are over 120 Salvia species and cultivars in production throughout the year. California native plants are a specialty as well. This is an opportunity to see different species and cultivars in a nursery setting. Only the Salvia area will be open for perusal, and just Salvias in 1 gallon cans can be purchased at this time. Open from 12 noon to 2 pm.

Suncrest is a half hour drive south of Cabrillo College, and on the route (quite close) to the garden of Sandi Martin.

Sierra Azul Nursery and Gardens is a retail nursery with an extensive planted garden. They offer many Salvias and are open daily from 9-5:30. They are located on Highway 152 (East Lake Avenue) across from the Santa Cruz County Fairgrounds, and are also on the route to Marwin Gardens.

This is also the weekend of the Watsonville Strawberry Festival, if folks would like to expand their horizons and sample more local treats.

Maps will be provided in the registration packet.