



**Native Plant Society of Texas  
2024 Fall Symposium  
New Braunfels Civic Center**



*All morning plenary sessions held in the Ballroom  
Thursday Reception Location: Downtown Social, 386 West San Antonio Street, New Braunfels  
Friday Night: On Your Own or Pre-registered Bracken Bat Cave Night Flight Event  
Silent Auction, Vendor, Exhibitor Tables located: New Braunfels Civic Center - Garden Rooms 1&2  
Garden Rooms 1 thru 5 are on the opposite side of the hall from the Ballroom.*

**Thursday, October 10**

Start	End	Activity
<b>Self-guided Field Trips on the Way to New Braunfels</b>		
2:00 PM	4:00 PM	Deliver Silent Auction Items to Auction Check-in Table - Garden Rooms 1&2 Set up Vendor   Exhibitor Tables
5:00 PM	7:00 PM	Meet and Greet   Early Registration Check in Appetizers provided and cash bar <b>Downtown Social - 386 West San Antonio Street, NB</b>

**Friday, October 11**

Start	End	Activity
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	<b>Taco Buffet   Coffee   Water</b>
7:00 AM	10:00 AM	Speaker, Vendor, Silent Auction Exhibitor Check-in
7:30 AM	10:00 AM	Registration
8:45 AM	9:00 AM	<b>Welcome   Ricky Linex, President Announcements   Introduction  </b>
9:00 AM	9:45 AM	<b>Discovering and Preserving Texas' Botanical Heritage: Good for Science, Good for Conservation</b> - Barney Lipscomb, Director of BRIT Press and Library
9:45 AM	10:00 AM	Break - Visit Silent Auction   Exhibits   Vendors - Garden Rooms 1&2
10:00 AM	10:45 AM	<b>Land Stewardship (It Might Not Be What You Think)</b> - Steve Nelle, Natural Resource Consulting, San Angelo, TX)
10:45 AM	11:00 AM	Break - Visit Silent Auction   Exhibits   Vendors - Garden Rooms 1&2
11:00 AM	11:45 AM	<b>Making the Most Out of Native Plants in Cultivated Spaces</b> - Andrea DeLong-Amaya, Director of Horticulture, Lady Bird Johnson Wildflower Center
12:00 PM	12:45 PM	<b>Pick up Box Lunch: Location - Back of Ball Room</b>
12:45 PM	1:00 PM	Gather - to Carpool (Outside of Civic Center - Seguin Avenue Entrance)
1:00 PM	5:00 PM	Field Trips (Pre-registered attendees only)
5:00 PM	8:00 PM	<b>On your own to discover New Braunfels (See handout: "Recommendations and Hosting by Local Chapters") OR Bracken Bat Cave Night Flight Event</b>

## Saturday, October 12 - Morning

Start	End	Activity
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	<b>Continental Buffet   Coffee   Water</b>
7:30 AM	11:30 AM	Check in: Registration   Speaker   Vendor   Exhibitor
7:30 AM	4:45 PM	Silent Auction Bidding Open - Support Scholarships and Grants! Garden Rooms 1&2
7:30 AM	5:30 PM	Exhibits & Vendor Area Open - Visit   Exhibits   Vendors Garden Rooms 1&2
8:45 AM	9:00 AM	<b>Welcome   Announcements - Ricky Linex, NPSOT President</b>
9:00 AM	9:45 AM	<b>Developing Naturally: How Native Landscapes Create Resilient Communities</b> - Suzanne Scott, Texas State Director, The Nature Conservancy
9:45 AM	10:00 AM	Break - Visit Silent Auction   Exhibits   Vendors - Garden Rooms 1&2
10:00 AM	10:45 AM	<b>Challenges and Opportunities in Texas' Fastest Growing Counties</b> - Annalisa Peace, Executive Director, Greater Edwards Aquifer Alliance
10:45 AM	11:30 AM	<b>Pocket Prairie Design and Installation</b> - John Hart Asher, Principal/Senior Environmental Designer Austin, TX
11:30 AM	11:45 PM	<b>Pick up Box Lunch: Location - Back of Ball Room</b>
11:45 PM	12:45 PM	<b>Annual State Meeting of Members - Ballroom</b> <i>Bring your Lunch</i> - Important annual review and meet incoming Executive Officers!

## Saturday, October 12 - Afternoon

**CHOICE OF:** *Milkweed Propagation Demonstration Workshop* - **OR** - *Concurrent Sessions*

### Saturday, October 12 - Propagation Workshop

1:00 PM	4:00 PM	<i>Milkweed Propagation Demonstration Workshop (1:30 - 3:30); Offsite Location - Map Provided to Propagation Workshop Registrants Only; Nancy Denmark, <a href="https://www.facebook.com/groups/ButterflyJoy/">https://www.facebook.com/groups/ButterflyJoy/</a></i>
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### Saturday, October 12 - Concurrent Sessions

Start	End	Ballroom Big Picture	Garden Room 3 Practical Habitat	Garden Room 4 Rescue & Restoration	Garden Room 5 NPSOT Tools & Projects
1:00 PM	1:45 PM	<i>A Naturalist's Guide to the Native Plants of Our Local Ecoregions</i> Craig Hensley	<i>Ethnobotany - Native American and Pioneer Uses of Native Plants</i> Patty Leslie Pasztor	<i>Rescuing Native Plants in a Time of Rapid Development</i> Ashley Landry	<i>Using Digital Tools for Communication Across Our Society</i> Craig Dalton & Roberto Gaitan
1:45 PM	2:00 PM	Break	Break	Break	Break
2:00 PM	2:45 PM	<i>Creating Sustainable Outdoor Living Spaces</i> Weston Neiman	<i>Mountain Cedars: Junipers that Benefit Limestone Groundwaters</i> Elizabeth McGreevy	<i>A Murky Path in the Restoration of Aquatic Vegetation in the Crystal-Clear Waters of the Upper San Marcos River</i> Christopher Riggins & Collin Garoutte	<i>NICE Programs: Tips and Tools to Start a New Program or Boost an Existing One</i> Claire Sorenson
2:45 PM	3:00 PM	Break	Break	Break	Break
3:00 PM	3:45 PM	<i>Independent Growers - History, Challenges, Solutions - 2022 Fall Symposium Sequel</i> Panel Discussion (3:00 - 4:00 PM)	<i>Building Climate Resiliency from the Soil Up</i> Andy Blair	<i>Lessons in Restoration: Transformation of a Retired Utility Property into a Texas Treasure</i> Nancy Pappas	<i>Native Plants in Schools Program</i> Haeley Giambalvo
3:45 PM	4:00 PM	Break	Break	Break	Break
4:00 PM	4:45 PM	<b>NO SESSION IN BALLROOM. Set up for Banquet.</b>	<i>Gardening for Native Bees</i> Wizzie Brown	<i>Soil Improvement Using Sustainable Management Practices</i> Dennis Perz	<i>Invading Our Native Space: Plant Armies from Beyond the Realm</i> Eric Strickland

**Saturday, October 12- Evening**

<b>Start</b>	<b>End</b>	<b>Activity</b>
4:45 PM		<b>Silent Auction Ends - Garden Rooms 1 &amp; 2</b>
5:30 PM		<b>Exhibit &amp; Vendor Area Closes - Garden Rooms 1 &amp; 2</b>
6:00 PM	6:45 PM	<b>Silent Auction - Pay and Pick up Items! - Garden Rooms 1 &amp; 2</b>
6:00 PM		<b>Cash Bar Open - Back of the Ballroom - Meet and Greet with Colleagues</b>
6:30 PM	9:00 PM	<b>Awards Banquet &amp; Presentation of Awards - Ballroom (Pre-registered Only; Business Casual or Dressy)</b>
9:00 PM	9:15 PM	<b>Official Photo Shoot - Awards and Contest - Ballroom</b>

**Sunday, October 13**

**Self-guided field trips - See "Detours" for suggestions!**  
*Thanks for coming and safe travels!*