An introduction to botanical photography from image capture to post-processing

Overview: Plants are great subjects for beginning or intermediate level photographers: you can get as close as you want to them and they won’t run away from you (usually!). This workshop will introduce basic photography concepts such as when and how to change the manual settings on DSLR cameras. You will need to bring your own camera (the workshop will focus on DSLRs but other types of cameras are welcome). In the morning session, we’ll visit nearby gardens on campus to practice some different techniques and discuss the results. Then, in the afternoon, we’ll head indoors for a discussion and demonstration of post-processing software such as Adobe Lightroom where some of the real fun of photography begins: fixing over/under-exposure, contrast, sharpness, white balance, etc. You can check out some of the instructors’ recent botanical photography projects at: herbarium.ucdavis.edu/pdfs/Posters/Seed_Cones_of_California_Pines.pdf and www.danielmcnair.com.

Instructors: Daniel McNair (UC Davis Center for Plant Diversity) and Ernesto Sandoval (UC Davis Botanical Conservatory)

When: Saturday October 22, 8:30 am – 5 pm

Cost: $40 for Davis Botanical Society Members, $50 for non-members (new members are welcome!)

Location: University of California, Davis. 3067 Sciences Laboratory Building

Further details: We will break at noon for lunch. Lunch is not provided. Maps will be provided by email upon receipt of payment. Enrollment cap is 15 participants. Registration deadline is October 14, 2016. Questions? Email Daniel at dmcnair@ucdavis.edu

Registration Form

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