Garden Event

11-12-26, 7:10pm, Live and Online, Horticultural Happenings in the Huntington's Desert Garden with John Trager, San Marino 91108

Description = John Trager, the Bernie and Miyako Storch Curator of the Desert Garden and Collections, will review some highlights from the garden and the recently renovated Desert Conservatory. The renovation was a major part of the upper Desert Garden project that has been underway for the last several years. Prior to the evening's program, Trager will lead a tour (already at capacity) of the updated 3,000-square-foot Desert Garden Conservatory, originally constructed in 1985, adjacent to the Desert Garden. It is both a conservation facility, research resource and genetic diversity preserve. Recent renovations have allowed some of the Desert Collections to return to this optimized growing space, and visitors can once again enjoy the specimens during open hours and also via the see through sides. After the tour, Trager will give his talk in the Ahmanson classroom at the Botanical Center on the recent renovations to the Conservatory as well as the Desert Garden He will talk about the construction of a more obvious entry to the garden which has been growing organically since William Hertrich proposed the idea of a "cactus garden" to Henry Huntington in 1905. Current upgrades include new accessible path work – 1,200 linear feet of gentle, sinuous curves, allowing visitors access to new parts of the garden – as well as new rockeries for displaying more of the fascinating succulents in the Huntington's ever-evolving collection. Trager holds a bachelor's degree in Horticulture from Cal Poly Pomona, and prior to beginning his career at the Huntington in 1983, he worked with master propagator Frank Horwood at Abbey Garden Nursery when it was located in Carpinteria. Trager's horticultural writings have appeared in the Cactus and Succulent Journal, the Euphorbia Journal and various other horticultural publications. He is also known for his photography – over 3,000 of his photos have been published in numerous textbooks and horticultural journals – and he has traveled worldwide in search of both plants and insects.

Cost = This program is open to everyone and free for SCHS members, with a suggested $5 donation for non-members that attend in person. It will also be recorded and made available later on the SCHS YouTube channel.

Location = Ahmanson Classroom, Botanical Center, The Huntington, 1800 Orlando Road, San Marino 91108. Doors open at 6:45 p.m. | SCHS announcements at 7:10 p.m.
Lecture at 7:30 p.m., followed by Q&A

ZOOM REGISTRATION INSTRUCTIONS . No pre-registration needed for Zoom meeting. Join meeting anytime from 7:00 pm onward, and use passcode: 689132.
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