



Torrey Botanical Society Lecture Series 2012 - 2013

December, March, and April lectures will be presented at:

Arthur and Janet Ross Lecture Hall

The New York Botanical Garden, 200th Street and Kazimiroff Blvd, Bronx, NY 10458

November and May lectures will be presented at:

The Auditorium

Brooklyn Botanic Garden, 1000 Washington Avenue, Brooklyn, NY 11225

Plant rarities at West Point. A 200 year overview including details from intensive surveys in 2011.

Wednesday December 12th, 2012 6:30 pm @ The New York Botanical Garden

Presented by David Werier, President of New York Flora Association and accomplished botanist

My presentation will focus on the rare plants of West Point (WP). It will include an overview from the past 200 years of rare plant explorations at WP including intensive surveys that I conducted in 2011, which added some new species to the WP flora. West Point in the Hudson Highlands of Orange and Putnam Counties, New York, encompasses approximately 6400 hectares of land, much of which is undeveloped and is surrounded by additional large tracts of undeveloped parkland. The area encompasses a large diversity of habitats including inter-tidal marshes along the Hudson River, open rocky grasslands and woodlands, forested hillsides, numerous natural and artificial lakes, peatlands, swamps, and vernal pools. This relatively pristine and diverse site, which is close to the NYC metropolitan area, is home, at least historically, to 51 rare plant taxa.

Upcoming lectures in Spring 2013

Orchids of the New York Metro Area

Sunday, March 3rd, 2013 4pm @ The New York Botanical Garden

Presented by David Taft, Greater New York Area Orchid Society board member and Assistant Superintendent National Parks Service

Spring Wildflowers of the Northeast

Tuesday, April 2nd, 2013 6:30 pm @ The New York Botanical Garden

Presented by Carol Gracie, author & photographer

Invasive Species Mapping

Tuesday May 7th, 2013 6:30 pm @ Brooklyn Botanic Garden

Presented by Dr. Jennifer Dean, Invasive Species Biologist, New York Natural Heritage Program

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