

Begonias: Our Mission

2017 ABS National Convention & Southwest Region Get-Together (updated 3/20/2017)

Hilton San Antonio Airport

611 Northwest Loop 410, San Antonio, Texas 78216

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Ask for the ABS/SW REGION GET-TOGETHER GROUP RATE valid thru midnight, April 10, 2017

May 3 – 7, 2017

2017 Registration Form

Name(s) _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone _____ Email _____

ABS Branch Member _____

Early Registration (By April 10) **Single \$45 Family \$50** \$ _____

Late Registration (After April 10) **Single \$50 Family \$55** \$ _____

Sign here if you do NOT want to be listed in Convention Directory _____

(After April 10, names will NOT be listed in Convention Directory)

May 3 Wednesday

- **Registration** 3 – 6:30 PM
- **Hospitality Room** 3-11 PM
- **Seminar** 7 PM

May 4 Thursday

- **Show Plant Registration** 3:00 – 7 PM
- **Tour: Hill Country** 8:30 AM – 4 PM _____ # _____ X \$60 \$ _____

Wildseed Farms, Wedding Oak Winery Wine Tasting, and if time permits a visit to Hill Country African Violets (and orchids)

Wildseed Farms in Fredericksburg is the largest working wildflower farm in the US, where we will see fields in various stages of readiness for seed production. Wedding Oak Winery is located within Wildseed Farms. Hill Country African Violets in Boerne is a multi-greenhouse nursery specializing in African violets and orchids.

Lunch is included. Please make a choice from the following Sandwich choices:

_____ Cranberry Pecan Chicken # _____ Pimento Cheese

_____ Italian Sub # _____ Tuna Salad

- **Seminars** 7:30 PM, 8:30 PM

May 5 Friday

- **Judges Breakfast 7 AM**
(No Charge for Judges/Clerks) Open to all # _____ X \$35 \$ _____
- **Judges Lunch 12 NOON**
(No Charge for Judges/Clerks) Open to all # _____ X \$40 \$ _____
- **Tour: Downtown Tour 8:30 AM – 4 PM** # _____ X \$50 \$ _____

San Antonio Missions National Historical Park is a National Historical Park and part of a UNESCO World Heritage Site preserving four of the five Spanish frontier missions in San Antonio. We will have a guided tour of the San Antonio Missions, including the Alamo.

Lunch will be on your own at the old Farmer’s Market known as Market Square or El Mercado.

Cinco de Mayo (May 5) is a relatively minor holiday in Mexico but a big celebration in Texas commemorating the unexpected victory of Mexico in the French-Mexican War in 1862. Expect food, dancing, music, and lots of things to buy.

- **Member Plant Sale 7 – 9 PM**

May 6 Saturday

- **Seminars 9 AM, 10 AM & 11 AM**
- **Business Lunch 12 NOON** # _____ X \$40 \$ _____
- **ABS Business Meeting 1 PM**
- **Southwest Region Annual Meeting 2 PM**
- **Showroom and Plant Sale 10 AM – 4 PM** Open to all
- **Social Hour with Cash Bar 6 -7 PM**
- **ABS Convention Banquet and Program 7 PM - 10 PM**

Banquet

#1 Spinach & Cheese Tortellini w/ Capers, Kalamata Olives,
Fresh Vegetables in Saffron Tomato Basil Sauce, Salad & Rolls # _____ X \$40 \$ _____

#2 Chicken Roulade Stuffed w/ Sun Dried Tomatoes, Spinach
& Boursin Cream w/ a Chardonnay Cream Sauce, Salad & Rolls # _____ X \$50 \$ _____

#3 Prime Rib of Beef w/ Horseradish Cream Sauce
& Au Jus, Salad & Rolls # _____ X \$60 \$ _____

w/ Alternating Desserts of Double Fudge Chocolate Cake

and Cheesecake w/ Berry Coulis

Please indicate any special dietary needs _____

- **Cancellation for Full Refund must be received no later than April 10, 2017**

Donation to Trophy Fund -----	\$ _____
Donation to Plant Sales -----	\$ _____
Donation to Hospitality Fund -----	\$ _____
Donation to ABS Conservation Fund -----	\$ _____
Donation to Fort Worth Botanical Garden Begonia Collection & Species Bank -----	\$ _____
TOTAL SPONSOR CONTRIBUTION (taken from Trophy & Division Award List) _____	\$ _____
<u>Total Amount Enclosed</u> _____	<u>\$ _____</u>

Make checks payable to: **Alamo Branch, ABS**

Mail Registration Form and check in US funds to:

Jacquelyn D. Ellison
6443 Club Oaks Drive
San Antonio, Texas 78249

Please circle the area where you would be willing to volunteer your talents:

- Plant Sales
- Hospitality Room
- Show Set-Up
- Show Breakdown and clean up
- Other