

Guide to the California Botanic Garden Archives

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Introduction

California Botanic Garden was founded in 1927 as Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden by Susanna Bixby Bryant (1880-1946) in honor of her father John W. Bixby. The garden was originally established on 165 acres at Rancho Santa Ana (also known as Bryant Ranch) in Orange County, with a focus on the science, horticulture, and conservation of native California plants. The garden moved to its current location Claremont in 1951. The name of the garden was changed to California Botanic Garden in March 2020, via a ‘doing business as’ (dba) arrangement.

The California Botanic Garden archives contain the institutional records of the garden from its inception, the professional papers of local botanists and horticulturalists, and collections of botanical artwork and photography with an emphasis on the flora of Southern California. Notable collections include the Marcus E. Jones papers, the Robert F. Thorne papers, and the Clara Mason Fox botanical illustrations. The titles of the collections listed in this guide reflect the 2020 name change of the garden, although the contents of most of the collections predate that change and may in some places be referred to as “Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden.”

The California Botanic Garden archives are non-circulating and are open to garden staff and qualified researchers. For more information about access to the collections, please contact the Librarian at iholiman@calbg.org or (909) 625-8767 ext. 210.

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Institutional Records

California Botanic Garden architectural plans and maps, 1945-2019

8.3 linear feet (11 boxes)

The collection contains building and facilities plans, landscape designs, and topographic maps of the garden and surrounding area, mostly for the Claremont site.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden audiovisual collection, circa 1930s-2007

6.5 linear feet (4 boxes)

The collection includes assorted audiovisual media documenting garden events, interviews with individuals affiliated with the garden, and public programming produced by or about the garden on the horticulture, landscaping, and conservation of native California plants.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden born digital and digitized media collection, 1991-2008

1.4 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection consists of CDs, DVDs, and floppy disks containing photographs and other documentation of garden events and fieldwork, and digitized images from multiple archival collections.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden ephemera collection, 1964-2020

7.2 linear feet (7 boxes)

The collection contains assorted newsletters, brochures, pamphlets, fliers, maps, calendars, and other ephemera from events and activities at California Botanic Garden.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden files on garden artwork, 1998-2006

0.67 linear feet (1 box)

The collection contains research, publications, correspondence, photographs, and installation notes on sculpture and other artwork on display at California Botanic Garden. Most materials were compiled by Ann Joslin, former Director of Visitor Services and Community Relations.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden Herbarium (RSA-POM) records, 1929-2000

7.4 linear feet (2 boxes, 21 bound ledgers)

The collection documents the accessioning, loans and exchanges, and other activities of the herbarium at California Botanic Garden. Also included in the collection are ledgers containing field labels for herbarium specimens up until the 1960s.

The California Botanic Garden Herbarium (RSA) was started shortly after the creation of the botanic garden in 1927, and moved with the garden from Orange County to Claremont in 1951. In 1966, the Pomona College Herbarium (POM) was fully integrated into the RSA Herbarium.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden Horticulture Department records, 1979-2018

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection includes plant sale records, living collection accession data, facilities information, correspondence, meeting minutes, memoranda, and reports produced by the staff of the Horticulture Department.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden Library accession records, 1961-2016

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection contains accession information for books and journals acquired by the California Botanic Garden Library up to 2010, and visitor logs for the herbarium and library from 2006 to 2016.

The California Botanic Garden Library was founded by Susanna Bixby Bryant early on in the development of the garden to support research in botany and horticulture of native California plants.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden news clippings collection, 1905-2015

2.3 linear feet (1 file cabinet drawer)

The collection consists of newspaper clippings and magazine articles about events and activities at California Botanic Garden and individuals affiliated with the garden.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden posters collection, circa 2000s-2010s

4.1 linear feet (3 boxes)

The collection contains assorted posters from conference presentations, promotional posters for garden events, educational posters, samples of posters sold in the gift shop, and cloth wall hangings for the 2013 exhibition “When They Were Wild.”

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden publications collection, 1954-2011

1.7 linear feet (1 drawer)

The collection contains a selection of publications produced by California Botanic Garden, including seed lists, *Rancho Santa Botanic Garden Occasional Publications*, visitor guides and brochures, and some draft conservation reports.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden records, 1818-2014

21.7 linear feet (36 boxes)

The collection contains the institutional records of the garden from its original site in Orange County and current location in Claremont. The collection includes financial and legal records, meeting minutes, memoranda, reports from various departments, plant lists, construction and facilities information, garden publications, and the correspondence of Susanna Bixby Bryant and other staff and individuals affiliated with the garden.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden wildflower show plate labels, circa 1930s

2 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection consists of original labels for plants collected for the California Botanic Garden wildflower show, an annual event that began in the 1930s. Each label contains the name of the species and family and a description of the plant’s habitat and range.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Rancho Santa Ana ledgers, 1913-1946

14 linear feet (7 boxes)

The collection consists of oversized ledgers from Rancho Santa Ana in Orange County, documenting monthly ranch expenses and payroll information.

Rancho Santa Ana (also known as the Bryant Ranch) was purchased in 1875 by John W. Bixby, father of Susanna Bixby Bryant. The ranch was located in Santa Ana Canyon east of Yorba Linda. After the deaths of her parents, the land was inherited by Susanna Bixby Bryant and her brother Fred Bryant. She eventually purchased her brother's portion and managed the ranch until her death in 1946. The ranch was sold by the Bryant family in 1978.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Professional Papers

Richard K. Benjamin papers, 1954-1998

4.0 linear feet (4 boxes)

The collection includes the correspondence and notes of mycologist Richard K. Benjamin (1922-2002) related to his mycological research and service in professional societies and scientific journals, as well as a set of zinc printing blocks and a small number of glass negatives.

Richard K. Benjamin received his Ph.D. in Mycology at the University of Illinois. He was appointed Mycologist at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) and Professor of Botany at Claremont Graduate University in 1952. He became president of the Mycological Society of America in 1965 and was editor in chief of *Mycologia* from 1970 to 1975. He also served as editor of *Aliso* from 1958 until his death in 2002. Benjamin studied the fungal order Laboulbeniales and Zygomycetes.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Lyman Benson papers, 1901-1973

5.3 linear feet (5 boxes)

The collection includes the correspondence, field and lab notebooks, and photographs and negatives of botanist Lyman Benson (1909-1993). Also included in the collection are glass negatives of cacti that were taken by David Griffiths (1867-1935).

Lyman Benson was born in California and studied botany at Stanford, where he wrote his dissertation on *Ranunculus*. He joined the Pomona College Botany Department in 1944 and eventually became director of the herbarium. He is best known for his work on Cactaceae.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Steve D. Boyd papers, 1966-2000

4.3 linear feet (4 boxes)

The collection contains the correspondence and files of botanist Steve D. Boyd (1957-), mostly in his capacity as Herbarium Curator of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) and his service in professional societies.

Steve D. Boyd was born in Riverside, California, and studied botany at UC Riverside. After working as a botanical consultant, he joined the herbarium at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in 1985 and served as Curator from 1999 until his retirement in 2009. His research focuses on the flora of Southern California.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Dave Bramlet papers, 1980-2017

5.8 linear feet (5 boxes)

The collection contains the field notes, slides, photographs, CDs, and reports of botanist Dave Bramlet (1954-2018) related to his botanical consulting work in Southern California.

Dave Bramlet was born in Lynwood, California. He was an independent botanical consultant and a founding member of the Orange County Chapter of the California Native Plant Society. He also served on the board of Southern California Botanists.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Ernest A. Bryant III and Ernest A. Bryant Jr. papers, 1934-2012

5.0 linear feet (5 boxes)

The collection contains the business correspondence of Ernest A. Bryant Jr. (1907-1982), mostly with lawyer and chairman of the Board of Trustees of Rancho Santa Ana Garden (California Botanic Garden) Allen Chickering, and the papers of Ernest A. Bryant III (1931-2013) related to his work as longtime trustee to the garden.

Ernest A. Bryant Jr. was the son of Ernest A. Bryant and Susanna Bixby Bryant, founder of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden). He married Judith Tilt in 1930 and was the father of Ernest A. Bryant III. He served on the Board of Trustees at the garden from its inception and became chairman in 1958.

Ernest A. Bryant III was born in Pasadena, California. He attended Princeton University and served in the Marine Corps in the Korean War. He owned multiple ranches in California and Idaho. He served on the Board of Trustees at the garden for 46 years and was also involved in other foundations and organizations.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Sherwin Carlquist papers, 1948-1977

4.6 linear feet (5 boxes)

The collection includes the correspondence, manuscripts, and photographs and slides of botanist Sherwin Carlquist (1930-), mostly related to his research on island biology.

Sherwin Carlquist obtained his Ph.D. in Botany at UC Berkeley. He was a professor at Claremont Graduate University from 1956 to 1992 and Pomona College from 1977 to 1984. He was Plant Anatomist at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) from 1984 to 1992, and served as an adjunct professor at UC Santa Barbara from 1993 to 1998.

Carlquist is best known for his studies of island biology and plant anatomy, especially the anatomy of wood.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Robert T. Craig photographs and papers for *The Mammillaria Handbook*, circa 1920s-1945
4.3 linear feet (6 boxes)

The collection consists of photographs, negatives, and manuscript by dentist and botanist Robert T. Craig (1902-1986) for *The Mammillaria Handbook* (1945).

Robert T. Craig was born in Long Beach, California. He studied dentistry at the University of Southern California and ran a dental practice in Baldwin Park with his wife, Ina. He was an amateur botanist who made plant collections in Mexico and the southwestern United States, with a focus on cacti and especially *Mammillaria*. He published *The Mammillaria Handbook* in 1945.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Mary DeDecker field notes and specimen labels, 1952-1996
3.0 linear feet (3 boxes)

The collection consists of photocopied field notebook pages and herbarium specimen labels by botanist Mary DeDecker (1909-2000), as well as a small amount of correspondence.

Mary DeDecker (nee Foster) was born in Oklahoma. She married Paul DeDecker in 1929 and their family moved to Independence, California in 1935. DeDecker studied the flora of the eastern Sierra Nevada and northern Mojave Desert and was the founder of the Bristlecone Chapter of the California Native Plant Society.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Percy C. Everett papers and photographs, 1937-2012
2.1 linear feet (3 boxes)

The collection includes slides and photographs of plants, correspondence, and manuscripts and notes on the horticulture of California Botanic Garden by Percy C. Everett (1902-1973), Garden Superintendent.

Percy C. Everett was born in Sierra Madre, California. He worked with the U.S. Forest Service until 1934, when he joined the staff of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) as Corresponding Secretary and Keeper of the Herbarium. He became Superintendent of

the garden in 1939. He retired in 1967 and died in 1973. Everett published numerous works on gardening and horticulture over the course of his career.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Joseph A. Ewan files for a flora of the San Gabriel Mountains, circa 1930s

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection consists of research notes, transparencies, and a manuscript for an unpublished flora of the San Gabriel Mountains by botanist and historian Joseph A. Ewan (1909-1999).

Joseph A. Ewan was born in Pennsylvania. He attended UCLA and later UC Berkeley, where he worked as a research assistant to Willis Jepson until 1937. After working at the University of Colorado, he joined the Botany Department at Tulane University in 1947, where he remained until his retirement in 1977. Ewan published numerous works on the history of botany.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Ivan M. Johnston correspondence and publications, 1910-1931

0.5 linear feet (1 box)

The collection contains the correspondence of Ivan M. Johnston (1898-1960), primarily concerning plant and fungi identifications, as well as scientific publications by Johnston or from his library.

Ivan M. Johnston was born in Los Angeles and studied botany at UC Berkeley and Harvard University. He worked at the Gray Herbarium and Arnold Arboretum and was appointed Associate Professor of Botany at Harvard in 1938, where he remained until his death. He made plant collections in South America, Mexico, and the southwest United States. He studied Boraginaceae.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Marcus E. Jones papers, 1862-2017

65.5 linear feet (105 boxes and slide projector)

The collection consists of photographic materials, correspondence, diaries, publications, and manuscripts by botanist and geologist Marcus E. Jones (1852-1934), covering his botanical collecting trips and research in the western United States and Mexico in the late nineteenth and early twentieth centuries. Also included are botanical illustrations for several of Jones's publications.

Marcus E. Jones was born in Ohio and attended Grinnell College in Iowa. In the late 1870s, he made his first botanical collecting trips to the western United States and settled in Salt Lake City

in 1880 with his wife Anna Richardson. He described over 900 plant taxa over the course of his career and wrote numerous works on botany, mining, and other subjects. Jones sold his herbarium and library to Pomona College and moved to Claremont, California in 1923, where he continued his botanical work until his death in a car accident in 1934.

The collection is processed and a finding aid is available. Contact the repository for access.

Lee W. Lenz papers, 1949-2003

1.4 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection consists mostly of the field notebooks of former director of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) Lee W. Lenz (1915-2019). Also included in the collection are publications and page proofs for works by Lenz, publications by others about sculpture, and a small amount of correspondence.

Lee W. Lenz was born in Montana and obtained his Ph.D. in Botany at Washington University in St. Louis and Missouri Botanical Garden after serving in the U.S. Navy in World War II. He joined Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden in 1948 as Assistant Botanist. After becoming Staff Scientist and Assistant Director, he became Director in 1960 after Philip A. Munz. Lenz retired in 1983 and died in 2019. His research interests included *Iris* and *Yucca*. He also published works on botanist Marcus E. Jones, the history of the botanic garden, and the horticulture of native California plants.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Homer N. Metcalf thesis files on *Iris*, 1971-1972

0.88 linear feet (1 box)

The collection contains the appendices to an unfinished thesis on *Iris* by Homer N. Metcalf (1917-1987), professor of horticulture at Montana State University. Also included is a small amount of correspondence with his collaborator Lee W. Lenz.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Reid Moran correspondence files, 1939-1982

3.4 linear feet (4 boxes)

The collection consists of the correspondence of San Diego Natural History Museum curator of botany Reid Moran (1916-2010), as well as a small number of Moran's publications and field notes.

Reid Moran was born in Los Angeles and attended Stanford University and Cornell University. He obtained his Ph.D. in Botany from UC Berkeley after serving in World War II. He was

curator of botany at the San Diego Natural History Museum from 1957 until 1982. His research focused on Crassulaceae and the flora of Baja California.

The collection is partially processed and an inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Philip A. Munz papers, 1919-2008

10.2 linear feet (12 boxes)

The collection includes the correspondence, publications, manuscripts and research notes, and some photographs and negatives by botanist and former director of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) Philip A. Munz (1892-1974).

Philip A. Munz was born in Wyoming. He received his Ph.D. in Entomology at Cornell University and was appointed assistant professor of botany at Pomona College in 1917, where he founded the Pomona Herbarium. In 1946, he took the position of Botanist at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden. Following the death of Susanna Bixby Bryant later that year, he was appointed Director and led the move of the garden from Orange County to Claremont in 1951. He served as Director of the garden until his retirement in 1960. Munz's research focused on Onagraceae and *Delphinium*, and he also authored several major works on the flora of California.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Bart O'Brien papers, 1990-2010

4.8 linear feet (6 boxes)

The collection consists of the correspondence and project files of horticulturalist Bart O'Brien (1956-) related to his work at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) as Director of Horticulture and Director of Special Projects.

Bart O'Brien received his degree in Environmental Planning at UC Davis and his master's in Landscape Architecture at Harvard Graduate School of Design. He worked at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden from 1990 until 2014, where he served as Director of Horticulture and Director of Special Projects. In 2014, he became Director of Regional Parks Botanic Garden in Berkeley, California.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Edward Orpet papers, 1921-1954

1.8 linear feet (3 boxes)

The collection contains the correspondence of horticulturalist Edward Orpet (1863-1956), as well as some price lists and catalogs from Orpet's nursery in Goleta, California.

Edward Orpet was born in England. He worked in several nurseries and gardens on the east coast and midwestern United States before moving to California in 1917. He served as Park Superintendent of Santa Barbara from 1921 to 1930 while also running his own business in persimmons in Goleta. He was especially known for his work on the horticulture of orchids and cacti.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Samuel B. Parish correspondence and exhibition materials, 1890-2008

0.21 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists of a small amount of correspondence and publications by botanist Samuel Bonsall Parish (1838-1928), as well as photographs and research materials for a 2008 exhibition at the California Botanic Garden Library.

Samuel B. Parish was born in New Jersey. He worked as a teacher and served in the Civil War. He bought a ranch in San Bernardino in 1872, where he and his brother William F. Parish collected the local flora. He was later appointed as honorary curator of the University Herbarium at Berkeley. Most of his manuscripts and other work were lost in a fire in 1923. The California Botanic Garden Library also holds Parish's research library.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Theodore Payne collection, 1909-2003

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection contains nursery catalogs, price lists, pamphlets, brochures, and reprints by California nurseryman Theodore Payne (1872-1963), and correspondence between Payne and Susanna Bixby Bryant and Philip A. Munz.

Theodore Payne was born in England in 1872 and worked as a gardener and as a flower seedsman. Payne immigrated to California in 1893, and in 1903, he purchased his nursery in Los Angeles and began producing his own catalogs. He was interested in the promotion and conservation of native California plants, especially wildflowers, and encouraged Susanna Bixby Bryant to develop Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden.

The collection is processed and a finding aid is available. Contact the repository for access.

Frank W. and Mabel B. Peirson accession books and manuscripts, 1905-1952

0.58 linear feet (1 box)

The collection includes the plant collection accession books of botanists Frank W. Peirson (1865-1951) and Mabel B. Peirson (1876-1966), as well as a small number of manuscripts and publications by Frank W. Peirson.

Siblings Frank W. and Mabel B. Peirson were born in New York and moved to Altadena, California in 1902. Frank W. Peirson was a rancher and Mabel B. Peirson was a teacher. The Peirsons collected plants in the San Gabriel Mountains and later made collections of the flora of the Sierra Nevada and other areas in the western United States. Mabel Peirson deposited their private herbarium in the California Botanic Garden Herbarium (RSA-POM) in 1951.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Carl Purdy collection, 1900-1950

0.42 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists primarily of catalogs from the nursery of Carl Purdy (1861-1945), and a small amount of business correspondence, including letters between Purdy and members of the Bryant family.

Carl Purdy was born in Michigan and moved to California as a child. He established his plant nursery in Ukiah in 1879 with an emphasis on native California plants and bulbs, especially lilies. The business was continued by his children after his death.

The collection is partially processed and an inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Ralph R. Stewart research notes and ephemera, 1942-1991

0.96 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists primarily of notes by botanist Ralph R. Stewart (1890-1993) for a flora of the Westminster Gardens retirement home in Duarte, California, and some publications and ephemera related to Stewart's botanical studies in India and Pakistan.

Ralph R. Stewart was born in New York and received his Ph.D. at Columbia University. He was a professor at Gordon College in Pakistan from 1917 to 1960, and afterwards he served as a Research Associate at the University of Michigan Herbarium until 1981. He is best known for his floristic work in India and Pakistan.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Bonnie C. Templeton research files, 1939-1981

7.3 linear feet (10 boxes)

The collection includes the plant research files, field notes and labels, photographs, slides, and correspondence of Bonnie C. Templeton (1906-2002), Curator of Botany at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County.

Bonnie C. Templeton was born in Nebraska. She worked as Assistant Botanist at the defunct California Botanic Garden in Mandeville Canyon and was appointed Curator of Botany at the Natural History Museum of Los Angeles County in 1929, where she remained until her retirement in 1970. Templeton studied paleobotany and paleoclimatology and also published a work on *Pholisma*.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Robert F. Thorne papers, 1905-2010

42.6 linear feet (29 boxes)

The collection consists of the correspondence, field notebooks, plant lists, research and teaching materials, and photographs and slides of botanist and herbarium curator of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) Robert F. Thorne (1920-2015).

Robert F. Thorne was born in New Jersey and served in Europe in World War II. He worked as a professor of botany at University of Iowa until 1962, when he was hired as Taxonomist and Curator of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden herbarium and professor at Claremont Graduate University. Thorne made tens of thousands of plant collections over the course of his career, with significant contributions to the flora of Southern California and Baja California. He was Curator Emeritus and Professor Emeritus from 1987 until his death in 2015.

The collection is partially processed and a partial finding aid is available. Contact the repository for more information.

Gary D. Wallace research files, 1986-2015

0.58 linear feet (1 box)

The collection includes drafts and correspondence related to scientific publications by botanist Gary Wallace (1946-), and a research file on a 2015 reunion of botany graduate students from Claremont Graduate University.

Gary Wallace was born in Pasadena, California. He studied botany at CSU Los Angeles and obtained his Ph.D. in botany at Claremont Graduate University at California Botanic Garden. He worked as a Botanist with the U.S. Fish & Wildlife Service from 1996 until 2014. He is a Research Associate at California Botanic Garden and is the former president of Southern California Botanists. In addition to his work on the conservation of California rare plants, he has also published numerous articles on the history of botany in Southern California.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Louis C. Wheeler papers, 1940-2015

9.3 linear feet (9 boxes)

The collection contains the slides, photographs, and negatives of plants, research notes, and correspondence of botanist Louis C. Wheeler (1910-1980).

Louis C. Wheeler was born in La Verne, California, and studied botany at UCLA, Claremont Graduate University, and Harvard University. He worked for the U.S. Forest Service and later became a professor of botany at the University of Southern California. He retired in 1975. Wheeler specialized in the study of Euphorbiaceae and also worked on the Flora of Ceylon (Sri Lanka).

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Carl B. Wolf papers, 1925-1949

2.5 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection includes manuscripts, notes on field work, slides, and a scrapbook by botanist Carl B. Wolf (1905-1973).

Carl B. Wolf was born in Michigan. After receiving his Ph.D. in botany at Stanford University, he became Botanist at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) in 1930, replacing John Thomas Howell. Wolf made thousands of collections for the herbarium and researched cypresses and *Rhamnus*. In 1946, he left the garden to become manager of the Sespe Land and Water Company. He died in 1973.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Photographs, Prints, and Artwork Collections

Botanical artwork and photography collection, 1885-2010

14.6 linear feet (13 boxes)

The collection consists of botanical illustrations, prints, watercolors, photographs and negatives, and posters by multiple artists. Included are glass slides of California native plants by Lustin E. Martindale, watercolors of California native plants by Ruth Brunstetter, photographs and negatives of gardens and landscapes by Lucia Edwards, as well as artwork by other individuals.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Botanical illustrations for Philip A. Munz publications, 1935-1974

5.0 linear feet (6 boxes)

The collection contains black and white botanical illustrations for six publications on the flora of California by botanist Philip A. Munz (1892-1974). Artists with significant contributions include Dick Beasley, Rodman Cross, Jeanne Janish, Shue-Huei Liao, Stephen Tillett, and Milford Zornes.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Donald M. Brown slides and field notebooks, 1959-1974

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection consists of the slides of Donald M. Brown from a plant collecting trip in Kenya in 1959-1960 and other unidentified locations, as well as two field notebooks from a 1971 trip to Turkey and one field notebook from the 1959-1960 trip to Kenya.

Donald M. Brown was chairman of the Department of Biology at Sierra College and research associate in the Department of Microbiology at Loma Linda University.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden Education Department plant photographs, 1988-1999

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection contains mounted photographs of California native plants by unknown photographers that were used by the Education Department for garden events.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden photograph collection, circa 1880s-2006

2.3 linear feet (4 boxes)

The collection consists of photographs and negatives of California Botanic Garden taken at the original site in Orange County and current location in Claremont, including pictures of staff, volunteers, faculty, and students; buildings and construction; plants and wildlife; different sections of the garden; events and activities; and members of the Bryant family.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

California Botanic Garden slide collection, circa 1950s-2003

8.0 linear feet (8 boxes)

The collection consists of 35mm color slides of California Botanic Garden, plants of California and Mexico, and some restoration and field projects. Most photographers are unidentified.

The collection is partially processed and a partial inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

M. H. Carothers negatives for *Native Plants for California Gardens*, 1948-1951

0.84 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection contains negatives of native California plants by M. H. Carothers, an associate of Garden Superintendent Percy C. Everett. Most locations are unknown, but a few were identified by the photographer as locations in San Diego County. The images in this collection were used by former director of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) Lee W. Lenz for his book *Native Plants for California Gardens* (1956).

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Clara Mason Fox botanical illustrations, 1890-2017

0.79 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection contains about 150 watercolor illustrations of Southern California plants by school teacher and artist Clara Mason Fox (1873-1959), and a small number of publications about Fox and her work.

Clara Mason Fox was born in Ohio and moved to California with her family in 1887. She worked as a school teacher in Silverado Canyon, where she painted and made observations about the local flora. It is not certain when her watercolor illustrations of plants were transferred to California Botanic Garden nor when they were accessioned into the herbarium. They were rediscovered beginning in 2010 and moved to archives as they were found in the herbarium.

The collection is partially processed and an inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

George D. Fuller slides and reprints, 1912-1935

0.54 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists of lantern slides mostly depicting landscapes of Colorado and the Midwest by botanist George D. Fuller (1869-1961), and some of his scientific publications.

George D. Fuller was born in Quebec. He studied botany and ecology at the University of Chicago and later became a professor there in the Department of Botany. His research focused on forest and prairie ecology, mainly in the midwestern United States.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Kenneth Kendall photographs and slides of California Botanic Garden, 1993-1994

2.7 linear feet (5 boxes)

The collection consists of photographs and slides taken by Kenneth Kendall of California Botanic Garden, including images of plants, landscapes, buildings, and construction activities.

Kenneth Kendall worked as a senior electronics specialist at Perkin-Elmer Corporation until his retirement in 1984. His photography has been displayed in Pomona, San Dimas, and Claremont.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Lantern slides and glass negatives collection, undated

6.7 linear feet (10 boxes)

The collection contains assorted black and white and colored lantern slides and glass negatives of landscapes, plants, herbarium specimens, and commercially produced botanical diagrams. The creators of the collection are unknown, but these materials were most likely used for teaching.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Louie and Genevieve Lemus photograph album, 1997

1.2 linear feet (1 album)

The collection consists of one album of color photographs taken by Louie and Genevieve Lemus of California Botanic Garden in its current site in Claremont, the original site in Orange County and the surrounding area, and copies of historic photos.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Lustin E. Martindale botanical prints, circa 1920

0.83 linear feet (2 boxes)

The collection contains about 100 hand-colored photographic prints of *Lupinus* and *Calochortus* by photographer Lustin E. Martindale (1866-1950).

Lustin E. Martindale was born in Indiana and moved to California in 1907. Martindale was a commercial photographer active in Los Angeles in the 1920s and 1930s. He hand-painted black and white photographs of native California plants.

The collection is partially processed and an inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

David Verity slides and notebooks on *Diplacus*, 1980-1982

0.58 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists of slides and notebooks by horticulturalist David Verity (1930-2020) mostly related to his plant breeding research on *Diplacus*.

David Verity was born in Los Angeles. He studied ornamental horticulture at UCLA and afterwards worked as a nurseryman and then as manager of the Mildred E. Mathias Botanical Garden at UCLA until his retirement in 1992. He is best known for his plant breeding work with *Aloe* and *Diplacus*.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Walter Wisura plant slides, 1977-1993

1.0 linear foot (1 box)

The collection consists of slides of plants taken on collecting trips in California and Mexico by Walter Wisura (1933-), former Plant Propagator and Curator of the Living Collection at Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden).

Walter Wisura worked at the Kirstenbosch Botanic Garden in South Africa until 1977, when he came to Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden. He served as Plant Propagator and Curator of the Living Collection until his retirement in 1995. Wisura participated in numerous plant collecting trips and also made seed collections.

The collection is partially processed and an inventory is available upon request. Contact the repository for more information.

Topical Collections

Artifact collection, circa 1930s-2003

6.9 linear feet (7 boxes)

The collection contains assorted objects related to the history of the garden, from the Bryant family, and of unknown origins; including a small wooden boat, a Native American basket, a brick and cement pot from the Orange County garden site, a stereo viewer, California Botanic Garden t-shirts, and other items.

The collection is unprocessed. Contact the repository for more information.

Field notebook collection, 1922-2014

6.0 linear feet (3 boxes, 1 file cabinet)

The collection consists of the original field notebooks and photocopied field notes of multiple botanists, mostly related to their plant collections throughout California. Collectors are Steve Boyd, Jim Buel, Agnes Chase, Curtis Clark, Arthur L. Cohen, Larry deBuhr, Francis H. Elmore, Mark Elvin, Sally Fisher, F. Raymond Fosberg, Carrie Herd, Keith Hoffmaster, Karen Hosterman, John Thomas Howell, Harold Lint, A. Lefebure, Orlando Mistretta, Jeffrey Morawetz, Philip A. Munz, Peter Raven, Alan Romspert, John Roos, William Stern, Richard Straw, Dick Swinney, R. S. Woglum, and unknown.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Lee W. Lenz amate collection, 1944-2017

3.4 linear feet (3 boxes)

The collection consists of Mexican amate paper cut outs and paintings, materials used in the production of amate, assorted souvenirs, and publications on amate and other traditional Mexican handicrafts. Amate is a bark-based paper with origins in Mexico that is used for ritual and commercial purposes. The collection was assembled by former Director of Rancho Santa Ana Botanic Garden (California Botanic Garden) Lee W. Lenz.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Plant lists collection, 1916-1973

0.42 linear feet (1 box)

The collection consists of plant collection lists and related correspondence by J. R. Bruff, Norman C. Cooper, D. L. Crawford, M. B. Dunkle, Ura T. Jenson, H. Mullins, and the Death Valley National Monument Herbarium, mostly as part of specimen exchanges and donations

with the Allan Hancock Foundation Herbarium. Also included are plant measurement and field collection data by Stephen S. Tillett for a thesis.

The collection is partially processed. Contact the repository for more information.

Other

Southern California Botanists records, 1935-2018

16.3 linear feet (9 boxes and 1 file cabinet)

The collection contains the financial records, membership information, publications, and project files of Southern California Botanists (SCB).

Southern California Botanists was formed in 1934 to support the research and conservation of native Southern California plants through symposia, publications, field trips, grants, and other activities.

The collection is partially processed. Contact Gary Wallace (main) at gwallace@calbg.org or Naomi Fraga (alternate) at nfraga@calbg.org for access and other information.