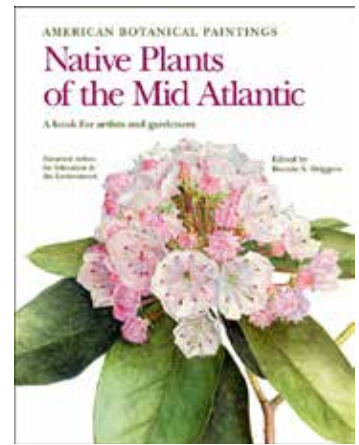


Press Release

Botanical Art Book and Exhibition

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American Botanical Paintings: Native Plants of the Mid Atlantic

reproduces **60 original works** by **40 botanical artists**. Each illustration is accompanied by a description of the plant and its value to gardeners and the environment. Thirty-eight original paintings of butterflies, moths, and caterpillars that use or pollinate the plants are included.

Pre-Sale Special Offer – Free Shipping. Scheduled for release **February 2014**. A **limited number** will be published, selling for only **\$39.95** plus shipping. Shipping is **free** on orders received by **December 31, 2013** (US only). **ORDER** your copy *today* at www.starbooks.biz

Exhibition: U.S. Botanic Garden in Washington, D.C., February 15 through June 15, 2014

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See the BAEE website for complete details about the project at www.baecorp.org

Geared toward a broad audience, the **book** has been **well received**, and is endorsed by respected authorities in the fields of both **art and science**, including the following:

This is a delightfully illustrated book, beautifully designed and with lots of variety in the choice of plant subjects. I admired the standard of painting and the fresh, appealing studies that will be attractive to both naturalists and gardeners.

— *Dr. Shirley Sherwood, OBE, Botanical art collector*

The U.S. Botanic Garden was thrilled to be a part of this book as it embodies what we know to be vital—our world is better and richer with fine botanical art, and the plants in our backyards, in our woods, and along the roadsides are amazing!

— *Holly H. Shimizu, Executive Director, U.S. Botanic Garden*

Like the exquisitely illustrated floras from past centuries, this volume carries on a rich tradition of detailed and deftly created botanical artistry. Each painting portrays the abundance and diverse beauty of the natural world around us, from early spring ephemerals to the towering monarchs of our deciduous forests.

— *Peggy Cornett, Curator of Plants at Monticello*

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