



Building Bridges for Biodiversity



Royal Botanical Gardens is a leader among museums and botanical institutions in Canada in organizing programs to conserve plant diversity and ensure it is available for future generations. Our efforts go back many years. In the 1970s Royal Botanical Gardens led efforts to establish a national network of botanical gardens, and in the 1980s we were one of the leading agencies in the Canadian Plant Conservation Program. Since 1995 we have been the host institution for the Canadian Botanical Conservation Network.

Since 2001 RBG staff have been involved in a global undertaking to preserve the world's plants. In 2002 this project became part of the United Nations [Convention on Biological Diversity](#), called the [Global Strategy for Plant Conservation](#), or GSPC. Since 2006 RBG has served as the [National Focal Point for the GSPC for Canada](#). Since 2008, both Royal Botanical Gardens and the Canadian Botanical Conservation Network have been members of the [Global Partnership for Plant Conservation](#), a broad-based coalition of organizations from around the world seeking to help achieve the plant conservation goals of the GSPC.

Our Head of Science, Dr. David Galbraith, is recognized internationally for his work with the Global Strategy for Plant Conservation among other programs. For more information, please contact him at:

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