



Florida Native Plant Society Pine Lily Chapter

News & Notes
December 2020

Online Winter Solstice Membership Gathering!

On **Thursday, December 17 at 6:30 p.m.**, we will have a *virtual* Membership Social Gathering including a native wildflower presentation set to the music of Yo-Yo Ma. Members will be sent the Zoom link in an email.

If you already have the Zoom application installed on your computer or smartphone, you can join the meeting by opening the app and entering the Meeting ID and Passcode (being sent via email)

If you don't have the Zoom application, you can also join the gathering by copying and pasting the link that will be sent into your internet browser's search bar, then hit "enter".

When a pop-up appears saying "Open [URL:Zoom](#) Launcher?", click the button "[Open URL: Zoom Launcher](#)". You should then be able to join the gathering! You may want to log on a few minutes early to see if you can access Zoom. If you have any technical difficulties, you can call Jennifer Adams at (518) 526-2751 for assistance.

Pine Lily Chapter President, Karina Veaudry, to give online presentation

Karina Veaudry will be the Florida Native Plant Society guest speaker on Friday, December 11th. She will be giving part 1 of a 3 part series on "Why Go Native". She will discuss the importance of native plants to sustain biodiversity and native bird and pollinator species. Karina will also give native plant landscape design tips and point out the water, noise and air pollution associated with traditional landscape design. The presentation ends with photos of over 40 native plant species you can use in your home or business landscape. For a copy of the presentation in PDF format, call (321) 388-4781. You can view the presentation on Friday or at this YouTube link at any time: <https://youtu.be/6fHeX2sGHdU>

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Virtual Monthly Chapter Meetings

And Guest Speaker/Presentations

Regular Virtual Chapter Meetings will resume:
January 28, 2021 – 6:30PM

Meet Yo-Yo Ma



“All the things I love about life outside music have to do with people, and playing the cello allows me to fulfill all those interests through music.” Yo-Yo Ma

Yo-Yo Ma’s multi-faceted career is testament to his enduring belief in culture’s power to generate trust and understanding. Whether performing new or familiar works from the cello repertoire, collaborating with communities and institutions to explore culture’s role in society, or engaging unexpected musical forms, Yo-Yo strives to foster connections that stimulate the imagination and reinforce our humanity.

Learn more about Yo-Yo Ma at:
[Yo-Yo Ma | Official Website \(yo-yoma.com\)](http://Yo-Yo Ma | Official Website (yo-yoma.com))



Concert Under the Stars

Florida Rights of Nature Network

If you are not familiar, the Facebook Group ‘Florida Rights of Nature Network’ has good information on the growing paradigm shift that acknowledges that nature has rights in a court of law and in land development practices. See this article below and many other good sources of information on this Facebook group page.

[Orange County Citizens recognize the rights of rivers and waterways to exist, flow and be healthy](#)

Our rivers and waterways won big in November, with nearly 90% of voters voting "yes" to recognize rights of rivers and waterways. Water is everything in Florida and industrialization is harming water ecosystems across the state. Now, however, rivers in Orange County have the right to exist and the right to flow. Mari Margil explain, Executive Director of the [International Center for the Rights of Nature](#) explains what it means to Florida and how nature can and should have rights.

Ms. Margil was a keynote speaker at the FNPS 2011 Annual Conference. See her presentation at this

link: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=HcpkqveBZQs&feature=emb_logo



Econlockhatchee River

Message from the President

Our Board of Directors members have been working hard on projects, articles and programs to promote our mission, educate the residents and business owners of Osceola County and to recruit new members. You will have an opportunity to meet each of them and hear from them at the December 17th online Zoom Member event.

Coming soon in the first quarter of 2021, we will be pursuing (3) un-paid student interns: One from the University of Central Florida College of Business/Marketing, one from the Rollins College Department of Environmental Studies and one from the Rollins College Department of Non-Profit Administration.

The Pine Lily Chapter has been approved to submit these (3) job descriptions for the students to review and choose from. We will know by the end of January if our internship positions have been filled.

Please contact me at any time if you have a comments or suggestions.

Karina Veaudry, President
Pine Lily Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society
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Dahoon Holly (*Ilex cassine*)



Source: [Dahoon Holly - Tree selection - Landscape plants - Edward F. Gilman - UF/IFAS \(ufl.edu\)](https://www.ifas.ufl.edu/extension/landscape-plant-selection/dahoon-holly/)

Growing well in full sun to partial shade, Dahoon Holly does best on moist soils since the wet, boggy soils of swamps is its native environment. Dahoon Holly can tolerate drier locations with some watering, but often has a thin crown in this environment. It is not recommended in the southern part of its range in a dry, exposed site unless irrigation is provided. Trees attract cedar waxwings, mockingbirds, robins and many other birds.

Trees occur throughout Florida. It appears to adapt well to the confined spaces of urban and downtown landscapes provided it is supplied with irrigation and is tolerant of some salt spray.

Little pruning is needed to create a well-structured, strong tree. Canopy grows to form a fairly open habit. Small diameter branches arise from main stems in a twisted fashion lending a wonderful drooping texture to young and old plants alike. The crown is fuller in full sun. This plant causes little or no allergy problems in most people.

Pine Lily Chapter Leadership Team and Volunteer Opportunities



- 🌿 Karina Veaudry – President
- 🌿 VACANT – Vice President
- 🌿 Tayler Figueroa – Chapter Representative
- 🌿 Stephanie Gaspar – Secretary
- 🌿 VACANT – Treasurer
- 🌿 Valerie Anderson – Policy & Legislation Chair
- 🌿 Eleanor Foerste – Education & Outreach Chair
- 🌿 Sandy Webb – Conservation Committee Chair
- 🌿 Jennifer Adams – Membership Committee Chair
- 🌿 Irene Paino – Newsletter Editor
- 🌿 VACANT – Publicity & Social Media Coordinator

Upcoming Meetings / Presentations

Links to online meeting presentations are sent via email.

- 🌿 **Thursday, December 17:**
6:30pm Something Special
Online social time including native wildflower presentation set to the music of Yo-Yo Ma
- 🌿 **Thursday, January 28: Virtual Chapter Meeting and Presentation 6:30pm**
Speaker: Chris Kincaid, Osceola County Forester – Tree Diversity in Osceola County
- 🌿 **Thursday, February 25: Virtual Chapter Meeting and Presentation 6:30pm**
Speaker: Francine Prager, Tampa Bay Bats - Bats of Central Florida

NOTE: Field Trips are canceled until further notice. More information coming in the next several months for field trip locations.

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