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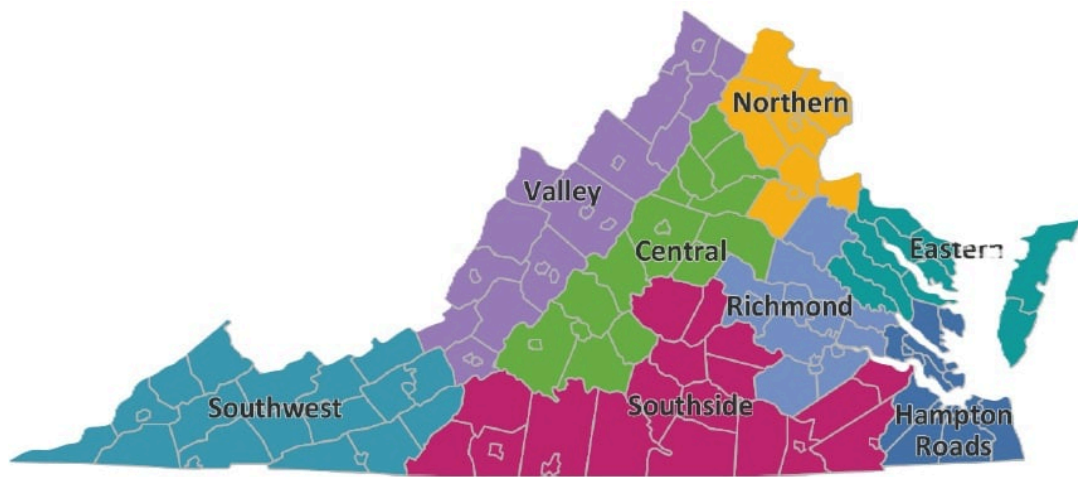
Occasional News from the Flora of Virginia Project

Meet our Flora Ambassadors!

The Flora of Virginia Ambassador Program launched in 2024 to train experienced Flora App users to educate others on how to maximize use of the App. The program increases educational opportunities for new Flora App users in basic botany, habitats and ecosystems, increasing understanding of the critical importance of protecting and restoring Virginia's open spaces.

In June we completed the core training for the 2025 class and are thrilled that we have 36 Flora Ambassadors available to lead programs and participate in events for organizations and institutions across the Commonwealth. We have 40 others with one final step before they too will be available to lead educational programming on Virginia Flora.

If you are interested in engaging with an Ambassador about a program in your area, [send us and email](#) and we will make the connection.



Northern

- Kelly Gilbert
- Evelyn Joran-Thiel
- Candy Quinn
- Jackie Rivas



Valley

- Anthony Adamovich
- Judy Bartlett
- Laura Cooper
- Jess Daddio
- Anna Maria Johnson
- Eunice Sill
- Gail Steele
- Robert Steele



Southwest

- Sandy Chambers
- Sarah Windes

Central

- Bette Dzamba
- Ruth Stornetta
- Grant West



Richmond

- Shelly Arthur
- Carolyn Duckworth
- Sharon Lamberton
- Mary Larson
- Andrea Naccarato
- Jeffrey Owens
- Barbara Stewart
- Kenneth Tulley
- Krista Weatherford



Eastern

- Allen Carter
- Linda Frederick
- Brenda Poist

Hampton Roads

- Leisa Clarke
- Kathy Gierlak
- Rose Sullivan



GMU Professor and Flora Board Member Dr. Andrea Weeks in the News

New Exhibit at Fort Valley Museum

Flora of Virginia board member and GMU associate professor of botany Andrea Weeks shares her research on pioneering botanist Lena Artz on at Fort Valley Museum.

[Read More](#)

Documenting Invasive Plants

Brown Bag Lunch webinar hosted by Blue Ridge PRISM

Learn how you to report and track the movements of established non-native or invasive plants in Virginia.

[Register for Webinar](#)

Matching Funds Drive Success!

Thanks to everyone who contributed to our Matching Funds Drive, launched March 20, the first day of Spring. When we closed the campaign on June 30 we had raised:

\$18,099.70

21% more than our goal of \$15,000!

Your generous donations mean we can keep our database moving to its new home, allowing the Flora of Virginia to be more current, more accurate, and more user-friendly.

Special thanks to all of those who donated on behalf of our friend and colleague Chip Morgan. Chip's impact on the Flora of Virginia Project was profound, he is greatly missed.

Support the Flora of Virginia Project

The Flora of Virginia is evergreen, requiring ongoing attention to keep data up-to-date, add new features and functionality to the App and offer new programs. We rely on the generosity of our users and donors to get our work done.

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