

Celebrate Botanical Art Week in New York City!

The week of **September 13 - 17, 2010** will see three major contemporary botanical art exhibitions opening in New York. One is an institutional collection, one a juried international, and one highlights a private collection. There is nothing like seeing botanical art in the original for those who wish to learn or those who simply wish to enjoy its beauty. Consider making a trip to NYC to catch all three of these openings, or plan a trip later in the fall to see all three exhibitions while they are on view. Please make sure to check gallery hours at each institution.

September 14th, Tuesday

Brooklyn Botanic Garden presents **Portraits of a Garden V**, in the Steinhardt Conservatory Gallery, Saturday, September 11 through Sunday, November 28. The opening reception will be on Tuesday, September 14 from 4:00 pm – 5:30 pm.

The Brooklyn Botanic Garden Florilegium Society's fifth biennial commemorates the society's tenth anniversary with a selection of artworks created from BBG's living collections and 250,000-specimen herbarium. Since the society's inception a decade ago, 50 eminent botanical artists have reinvigorated the 400-year-old tradition of recording the exuberance and beauty of flowering plants. Today, the BBG Florilegium is one of the most important collections of contemporary botanical art in the world. For more information, directions and other programs, please visit: www.bbg.org

September 15th, Wednesday

The Thirteenth Annual ASBA/HSNY Juried International Exhibition at **The Horticultural Society of New York**, Wednesday evening, September 15 through Wednesday, November 24. The opening reception will be on Wednesday, September 15 from 6:00 pm to 8:00 pm.

The **American Society of Botanical Artists'** eagerly anticipated annual exhibition at The Horticultural Society of New York will be hung in HSNY's fresh, contemporary gallery space in Midtown Manhattan. This highly competitive exhibition always showcases a selection of international artists alongside US artists. Chosen from a field of 205 entries, the 41 pieces are some of the best contemporary botanical art in the world. For information on workshops and jurors' walk-throughs, directions and other programs, please visit www.hsnny.org. For information on the American Society of Botanical Artists, please visit www.AmSocBotArtists.org.

September 16th, Thursday

The New York Botanical Garden presents: **"Botanicals: Environmental Expressions in Art, the Alisa and Isaac M. Sutton Collection,"** in the Arthur and Janet Ross Gallery from Saturday, September 4, 2010, through Sunday, January 9, 2011. The opening reception will take place on Thursday, September 16 from 5:00 pm to 8:00 pm. RSVP to 718.817.8598.

"Botanicals: Environmental Expressions in Art, the Alisa and Isaac M. Sutton Collection" is the largest contemporary botanical art collection in private hands in North America, and it is a stunning compendium. From his first acquisition in 1998, Isaac Sutton's impeccable eye has sought out some of the best images created around the world. Working with Curators Susan Frei Nathan and Alice Marcus Kreig, Sutton selected the 44 images on view from his sizeable collection of botanical art treasures. For information on classes in botanical art, directions and other programs, please visit www.nybg.org.