



# PETAL TONES



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Minh Bui's winning blue for his *Michaelmoellera vietnamensis*

## News from National from Karyn Cichocki :

For over 20 years the Gesneriad Society's mailing address has been 1122 E Pike St, PMB 637, Seattle, WA 98122, which is a private mailbox establishment. Unfortunately, they suffered a fire a few weeks ago. They were hoping to rebuild and reopen, but they announced that they will not be reopening, so the Society needs to change its address of record. The Society's mailing address will now be:

The Gesneriad Society  
1211 East Denny Way, #B28  
Seattle, WA 98122-2516

Please make note of this, and pass on to any or all that would need it.

Thanks for your time and attention.

Bob Clark  
The Gesneriad Society Membership Secretary

## National Capital Area Chapter of the Gesneriad Society (NCAC)

Emmanuel United Methodist Church  
10755 Scaggsville Road, Laurel, MD 20723  
Meets second Saturday of each month at 10:30am

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82968033274?pwd=KVc68b7bbbhKSLIN87rBKAzczmUGYW.1>

Meeting ID: 829 6803 3274

Passcode: 957283

Oct. 11th – In person & Zoom: How Doug Bolt grows his stunning *Streptocarpus*

Nov. 1st – Zoom business meeting

Dec. 13th – Holiday luncheon and meeting

## President's message:

Well, it is finally fall and I am busy getting my houseplants ready to bring inside. Last year they stayed out almost until Thanksgiving, but this year I am trying to transition them earlier.

Meanwhile, gesneriad seedlings are waiting to be potted up. *Microchirita*s are particularly anxious, since they have a short life span. I'm experimenting with different ways to grow them, since they outgrow their pots too fast for me to keep up with. I bought seeds of several varieties and crosses at the convention this summer, so I am looking forward to seeing what they produce.

We had a great show last month and it went very well. This month we will learn more about growing *Streptocarpus*.

We also need to start discussing plans for next year, ie meeting dates, programs, etc. If you can't come in person, we still hope you can join on Zoom. See you there!

Barbara

September 13<sup>th</sup>, NCAC will meet in the Youth Room on the second floor. Through the double doors when you exit the elevator. Church personnel are not sure when the water damage repairs will be completed in Room 3, but will let us know. There will, of course, be no extra charge for using the different space! Reminder: The Church is a "NUT FREE ZONE" due to children with allergies, so do not bring any food items that include nuts or peanuts.