



Naples Botanical Garden

Brian Holley Curator of Collections

A few months ago, Tom McCann, Chairman of the Board, approached Brian with the question, “What can we do to honor you when you retire? Brian responded that he would really like the position of Curator of Collections named the “Brian Holley Curator of Collections.”

The core of every great botanical garden is an accurately curated, thoughtfully developed, plant collection.

...The collection provides a trove of important genetic material and can serve as a significant resource for conserving threatened species.

...The collection is also a museum of plants, available to researchers, the horticulture trade and home gardeners so that they can research and learn about the plants that grow in the region.

...The plant collection, especially when arranged in a well-crafted garden design, provides the community with a place of beauty and a wonderful context for concerts, exhibits and significant life moments like weddings and memorials.

...And finally, the collections can create a landscape that we can use for vocational training, horticultural therapy and wellness.

This is why I am greatly honored and deeply grateful to be the namesake for the Brian Holley Curator of Collections.” Brian Holley

It is especially fitting that the Brian Holley Curator of Collections is our **first endowed position** at Naples Botanical Garden. The overarching responsibility of this position, to ensure the integrity of the Garden’s living plant collections, is at the heart of Brian’s leadership at Naples Botanical Garden and his career in this field.

Thank you, Brian, for choosing this endowed position as the way in which our Garden family can honor you and recognize your leadership.

Checks are payable to Naples Botanical Garden, please include Brian Holley Curator of Collections in the memo line.

OR, go **online** to make a donation at www.naplesgarden.org/support/donate. At check out, please indicate your donation is for the Brian Holley Curator of Collections in the “Order Notes.”

Please email development@naplesgarden.org with questions.