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A Guide to Plant Societies

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Plant societies and organizations can provide a vast amount of information for gardeners. Along with cultural information, they can provide verbal and written interaction and, in many cases, plant material or sources of material for their members. There may be local chapters near your community that are not listed in this guide. Check with each national organization you are interested in for information on a chapter in your area.

Many of these organizations publish newsletters or magazines and have annual meetings. The following listing of plant societies, although not all inclusive, includes both highly specialized and general groups. There should be something for almost every gardener.

Note: dues listed are for single, one-year memberships in the United States. Other types (international, family, couples, etc.) or lengths of memberships vary. All membership dues are in U.S. dollars unless otherwise stated.

**African Violet Society of America, Inc.**
P.O. Box 3609
Beaumont, TX 77704
(409) 839-4725

*Publication:* *African Violet Magazine*, 6 issues/year;
*Annual Dues:* $25; *Web site:* www.avsa.org

**Lincoln African Violet Society**
Christ United Methodist Church
46th & A St
7:15 p.m., second Tuesday each month, September-May, except December;
*Contact:* Kent or Joyce Stork; (402) 721-1478; *E-mail:* kents@tvsonline.net;
*Annual Dues:* $5

**Omaha African Violet Society**
Abrahams Public Library
5111 90th St (90th and Fort)
American Bamboo Society
Michael Bartholomew
ABS Membership
750 Krumkill Road
Albany, NY 12203-5976
Publication: Bamboo Science and Culture; Dues: $35; Web site: www.americanbamboo.org

American Begonia Society
Arlene Ingles, Jr.
157 Monument Road
Rio Dell, CA 95562-1617
Phone: (707) 764-5407; Publication: The Begonian; Annual Dues: $17;
Web site: www.begonias.org

American Bonsai Society
Jim Hagen
Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 351604
Toledo, OH 43635-1604
Publication: BONSAI: Journal of the American Bonsai Society;
Annual Dues: $24; Web site: www.absbonsai.org

American Clematis Society
c/o Edith Malek
P.O. Box 17085
Irvine, CA 92623-7085
Publication: The Clematis Chronicle newsletter; Dues: $20; Web site: www.clematis.org

American Conifer Society
P.O. Box 3422
Crofton, MD 2114-0422
Phone: (410) 721-6611; Fax (410) 721-9636; Publication: Conifer Quarterly;
Annual Dues: $25; Web site: www.conifersociety.org

The American Daffodil Society, Inc.
4126 Winfield Rd.
Columbus, OH 43220-4606
Publication: The Daffodil Journal; Annual Dues: $20; Web site: www.daffodilusa.org

American Dahlia Society
Alan A. Fisher, ADS Membership
1 Rock Falls Court
Rockville, MD 20854
Publication: Bulletin of the American Dahlia Society; Annual Dues: $20;
Web site: www.dahlia.org
American Fern Society
Dr. George Yatskievych,
Membership Secretary
Missouri Botanical Garden
P. O. Box. 299
St. Louis, MO 63166-0299

Publication: American Fern Journal; Fiddlehead Forum; Dues (with journal): $15;
Annual Dues (without journal): $8; Web site: www.amerfernsoc.org

American Fuchsia Society
Judy Salome
6979 Clark Road
Paradise, CA 95969

Publication: American Fuchsia Society Bulletin;
Annual Dues: $17; Web site: www.american-fuchsia-soc.org

American Gloxinia & Gesneriad Society
AGGS Membership Chair
118 Byron Ave
Lawrence, MA 01841-4444

Publication: The Gloxinian - The Journal for Gesneriad Growers; Annual Dues: $20;
Web site: www.aggs.org

American Gourd Society
317 Maple Ct.
Kokomo, IN 46902-3633

Publication: The Gourd; Annual Dues: $15; Web site: www.americangourdsociety.org

American Hemerocallis Society
Pat Mercer, AHS Executive Secretary
Dept. WWW
P.O. Box 10
Dexter, GA 31019

Publication: Daylily Journal; Annual Dues: $18; Web site: www.daylilies.org

American Hibiscus Society
P.O. Box 12073W
St. Petersburg, FL 33733-2073

Publication: The Seed Pod; Annual Dues: $20; Web site: www.trop-hibiscus.com/dahs.html

American Horticultural Society
7931 E. Boulevard Drive
Alexandria, VA 22308-1300

Phone: (800) 777-7391; Publication: The American Gardener; Annual Dues: $35; Web site:
www.ahs.org

American Hosta Society
AHS Membership Secretary
246 Etheridge Road
Auburn, GA 30011
Publication: The Hosta Journal; Annual Dues: $25; Web site: www.hosta.org

Shady Choice Hosta Society
Omaha, Nebraska
President: John Guest
12763 Grover Street
Omaha, NE 68144-4074
E-mail: John.Guest@offutt.af.mil; Phone: (402) 334-5368

The American Hydrangea Society
P. O. Box 11645
Atlanta, GA 30355
Publication: quarterly newsletter; Dues: $15; Web site: none

American Iris Society
Membership Secretary
P.O. Box 14750
Richmond VA 23221-4750
Phone: (804) 358-6202
Local Chapter: Lincoln
Contact: Eugene Kalkwarf
Phone: (402) 474-4832; E-mail: emergdiris@alltel.net;
Publication: American Iris Society Bulletin;
Note: There are 11 additional speciality iris societies listed at the AIS Web site;
Annual Dues: $20; Web site: www.irises.org

American Orchid Society
16700 AOS Lane
Delray Beach, Fl 33446-4351
Phone: (561) 404-2000; Publication: Orchids; Annual Dues: $40; Web site: www.orchidweb.org

Lincoln Orchid Society
Contact: Tim E. Janssen
933 S 9 St
Lincoln, NE 68508-3111
Phone: (402) 476-3877; E-mail: tjanssen@lps.org;
Meets the last Wednesday of every month at 7:15 p.m. at Madonna Rehabilitation Hospital, 56th & South Street in Lincoln.

The Greater Omaha Orchid Society
Contact: Tim Janssen
P.O. Box 241871
Omaha, NE 68124
Phone: (402) 476-3877; E-mail: tjanssen@lps.org;
Meets the second Wednesday of every month at 7:30 p.m. at the Red Cross Building, 2912 S. 80th Ave., Omaha.

American Penstemon Society
Ann Bartlett
American Penstemon Society
1569 S. Holland Ct.
Lakewood, CO 80232
Publication: American Penstemon Bulletin; Annual Dues: $10;
Web site: www.biosci.ohio-state.edu/~awolfe/Penstemon/Penstemon.html

American Peony Society
Greta Kessenich
250 Interlachen Rd
Hopkins, MN 55343
Publication: The American Peony Society Bulletin;
Annual Dues: $7.50; Web site: www.americanpeonyociety.org

American Pomological Society
R.M. Crassweller, Treasurer
103 Tyson Building
University Park, PA 16802-4200
Publication: Journal of the American Pomological Society;
Annual Dues: $40; Web site: http://hortweb.cas.psu.edu/aps

American Rhododendron Society
Executive Director
11 Pinecrest Drive
Fortuna, CA 95540
Phone: (707) 725-3043; E-Mail: oars@arsoffice.org;
Publication: Journal of the American Rhododendron Society; Annual Dues: $28;
Web site: www.rhododendron.org

American Rose Society
P. O. Box 30,000
Shreveport, LA 71130-0030
Phone: (800) 637-6534; Publication: American Rose; Membership: $37; Web site: www.ars.org

Nebraska Chapters:
Nebraska State Rose Society - Lincoln, Neb.
Roger Miner, President
Phone: (402) 421-1674; E-mail: minerland@neb.rr.com

Beatrice Rose Society - Beatrice, Neb.
Mary Ann Hayes, President
Phone: (402) 645-8178; E-mail: Sh55213@alltel.net

Lincoln Rose Society - Lincoln, Neb.
Patty Haddow, President
Phone: (402) 489-1364; E-mail: haddowpe@msn.com

Northeast Nebraska Rose Society - Norfolk, Neb.
Darrell Wyatt, President
Phone: (402) 368-7723; E-mail: dwyatt@ncfcomm.com
Omaha Rose Society - Omaha, Neb.
Don Swanson, President
Phone: (402) 493-5986; E-mail: donswan45@aol.com;
Meets the third Thursday, February through October

The American Violet Society
Annebelle Rice, President
260 1/2 Euclid Avenue
Long Beach, CA 90803
E-mail: violet@americanvioletociety.org;
Publication: The Violet Gazette; Dues: $15; Web site: www.americanvioletociety.org

The Azalea Society of America
Membership Committee
P.O. Box 34536
West Bethesda, MD 20827-0536
Publication: The Azalean; Annual Dues: $25; Web site: www.azaleas.org

Bromeliad Society International, Inc.
P.O. Box 12981
Gainsville, FL 32604-0981
Phone: (352) 372-6589;6membership@bsi.org;
Publication: Bromeliad Society International Journal; Annual Dues: $30; Web site: www.bsi.org

Cactus & Succulent Society of America
Mindy Fusaro
P.O. Box 2615
Pahrump, NV 89041-2615
Phone: (775) 751-1320; E-mail: cssa@wizard.com;
Publication: The Cactus & Succulent Journal; Annual Dues: $35; Web site: www.cssainc.org

Garden History Society
The Director, Garden History Society
70 Cowcross St
London, ECI M6EJ, UK
Publication: Garden History; Annual Dues: 35£; Web site: www.gardenhistorysociety.org

The Herb Society of America, Inc.
9019 Kirtland Chardon Road
Kirtland, OH 44094
Phone: (440) 256-0514; Publication: The Herbalist; Dues: $50; Web site: www.herbsociety.org

Gesneriad Hybridizers Association
Dale Martens
2728 Masters Drive
League City, TX 77573
Publication: CrossWords, 3 issues/year; A special interest group of the AGGS; Dues: $8

Heritage Roses Group
Northwest Area Coordinator
Helen Pressley
P.O. Box 7606
Olympia, WA 98507
  E-mail: hpre461@aol.com; Annual Dues: $10; Web site: http://www.amityheritageroses.com/HRGroup.html

Hobby Greenhouse Association
8 Glen Terrace
Bedord, MA 01730-2048
  Publication: Hobbygreenhouse; Annual Dues: $22; Web site: www.hobbygreenhouse.org

The Home Orchard Society
P.O. Box 230192
Tigard, OR 97281-0192
  E-mail: lmills@europa.com; Publication: Pome News; quarterly;
  Dues: $15; Web site: www.wvi.com/~dough/HOS/HOS1.html

The Hoya Society International
P.O. Box 80156
Conyers, GA 30013-8156
  E-mail: hoyo@mindspring.com; Dues: unknown; Web site: http://www.succulent-plant.com/hoya.html

Hydroponic Society of America
  E-mail: info@hsa.hydroponics.org; Web site: www.hsa.hydroponics.org

International Bulb Society
P.O. Box 336
Sanger, CA 93657-0336
  Publication: Herbertia; Bulbs; Dues: $40; Web site: www.bulbsociety.com

International Carnivorous Plant Society
PMB 330
3310 East Yorba Linda Blvd.
Fullerton, CA 92831-1709
  Publication: Carnivorous Plant Newsletter; Dues: $25; Web site: www.carnivorousplants.org

International Dwarf Fruit Tree Association
IDFTA Business Office
14 S. Main St.
Middleburg, PA 17842
  Publication: Compact Fruit Tree; Dues: $80; Web site: www.idfta.org

International Geranium Society
IGS Membership
Dept. WWW
P.O. Box 92734
Pasadena, CA 91109-2734
  Publication: Geraniums Around the World; Dues: $15; Web site:
International Lilac Society  
3 Paradise Court  
Cohoes, NY 12047-1422  
**Publication:** quarterly journal; **Dues:** $20; **Web site:** http://lilacs.freeservers.com/

The Magnolia Society  
Roberta Hagen  
6616 81st St  
Cabin John, MD 20818  
**Publication:** *The Journal of the Magnolia Society*; **Web site:** www.supernet.net/~magnolia

National Chrysanthemum Society  
Galen Goss, Secretary  
10107 Homar Pond Dr.  
Fairfax Station, VA 22039-1650  
**Publication:** *The Chrysanthemum*; quarterly; **Dues:** $20; **Web site:** www.mums.org

National Gardening Association  
1100 Dorset Street  
South Burlington, VT 05403  
**Phone:** (802) 863-5251; **Web site:** www.garden.org

Nebraska Fruit & Vegetable Growers Association  
Susan Miller, Secretary/Treasurer  
1050 County Rd X  
Fremont, Neb. 68025-9600  
**Phone:** (402) 727-5813; E-mail: grandviewfarm1@juno.com; **Dues:** $15

Nebraska Nutgrowers Association  
122 Mussehl Hall  
University of Nebraska-Lincoln  
Lincoln, Neb. 68583-0716  
**Phone:** (402) 489-2511; **Dues:** $10

Nebraska Statewide Arboretum  
P.O. Box 830715  
Lincoln, NE 68583-0715  
**Phone:** (402) 472-2971; **Web site:** www.arboretum.unl.edu; **Dues:** $25

Nebraska Winery and Grape Growers Association  
9205 W. Rock Creek Rd  
Valparaiso Neb. 68065-8567  
**Dues:** $45

North American Gladiolus Council  
NAGC Membership Secretary  
RFD #1, Box 70  
Belgrade, ME 04917
Publication: Glad World; quarterly; Dues: $15; Web site: www.gladworld.com

North American Fruit Explorers
1716 Apples Rd.
Chapin, IL 62628
Publication: Pomona; quarterly journal; Dues: $10; Web site: www.nafex.org

North American Lily Society
Dr. Robert Gilman, NALS Executive Secretary
P.O. Box 272
Owatonna, MN 55060
Publication: quarterly bulletin; Dues: $20; Web site: www.lilies.org

North American Rock Garden Society
P.O. Box 67
Milwood, NY 10546
Publication: Rock Garden Quarterly; Annual Dues: $25; Web site: www.nargs.org

Northern Nut Growers Association
Nancy Petitt, Treasurer
P.O. Box 550
648 Oak Hill School Rd.
Townsend, DE 19734-0550
Publication: The Nutshell; quarterly; Dues: $20; Web site: www.icserv.com/nnga

Rose Hybridizers Association
Mr. Larry D. Peterson
21 South Wheaton Road
Horseheads, NY 14845
Publication: quarterly newsletter; Dues: $10; Web site: www.rosehybridizers.org

Sedum Society
Sue Haffner
3015 Timmy
Clovis, CA 93612-4849
E-mail: sue_haffner@csufresno.edu;
Publication: quarterly newsletter; Dues: $22; Web site: http://www.cactus-mall.com/sedum/

Seed Savers Exchange & Flower & Herb Exchange
3076 North Winn Road
Decorah, Iowa 52101
Phone: (563) 382-5990; SSE dues: $30; FHE dues: $10; Web site: www.seedsavers.org

Species Iris Group of North America
Rodney Barton
3 Wolters Street
Hickory Creek, TX 75065-3214
Publication: SIGNA, twice/year; Dues: $9; Web site: www.signa.org

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