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## From the Editors

ICPS conferences are a blast. You go to the conferences to be with fellow CP fanatics and make lifetime friends with people from all over the world. It was at the San Francisco 2000 conference where my involvement with the ICPS began.

This Japan special issue presents some of flavor of being at an ICPS conference. It also includes an invited article by Takaaki Kagawa summarizing the current taxonomic status of Japanese CPs.

ICPS conferences are organized by the local CP clubs and societies. There are typically presentations, plant shows and sales, group meals, and field trips. There is plenty of time to socialize with the other attendees.

After the pandemic, we are now getting back to our global cycle of conferences on evennumbered years. Next is the 2024 conference in Vienna, Austria, hosted by the GFP. It is not too early for people or organizations in the Americas to think about hosting the 2026 conference. In 2028 our cycle will be back to the Asia/Australia region.



CP art at the Orangery, Jardin botanique de Lyon, France, as part of the Lyon 2004 ICPS Conference.

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