



The 2011 Native Orchid Conference

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Wilmington, DE. Mt. Cuba Center, the mid-Atlantic's premier native plant garden, will sponsor the 2011 Native Orchid Conference. The conference takes place on July 30 & 31, 2011 at Mt. Cuba Center in Hockessin, Delaware. This is the first time the conference will be held in Delaware. Optional field trips, sponsored by the Native Orchid Conference, Inc., will take place on August 1 & 2.

The conference brings orchid enthusiasts from the United States and Canada to hear experts in their field, to share information, and to observe orchids in their native habitat. Post-conference trips will be made to locations in Pennsylvania, New Jersey and Delaware where native orchids may be found. The conference is open to the public and registration information will be available on Mt. Cuba Center's website, www.mtcubacenter.org, starting March 15.

Mt. Cuba Center is the former estate of Mr. and Mrs. Lammot DuPont Copeland. Their mission is to foster an appreciation for plants of the Appalachian Piedmont and the conservation of their environment through garden displays, educations, and research. Public garden tours are scheduled in spring, summer and fall, and education programs are offered year-round.

The Native Orchid Conference, Inc. fosters the study, conservation, and enjoyment of the native orchids of the United States and Canada. It was founded in 2002 to build a network of native orchid enthusiasts and hold annual conferences in different part of North America. In addition to its annual gathering, the NOC hosts an on-line Yahoo message board with members from around the world.

For further information about the conference, contact NOC 2011 Chair, Phil Oyerly, Greenhouse Manager at Mt. Cuba Center, 302-239-4244, X 216, poyerly@mtcubacenter.org.

Calopogon tuberosus (grass-pink)

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Images and press release are available electronically. Interviews with speakers may also be arranged. Please contact Jeanette P. Zipf, Communications Coordinator at Mt. Cuba Center, 302-239-4244 X.243, jzipf@mtcubacenter.org.