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## 2009 ENDOWMENT RESEARCH GRANTS

The Florida Native Plant Society maintains an Endowment Grant program for the purpose of funding research on native plants. These small grants are awarded for a 1-year period, and support research that forwards the Society's mission to promote the preservation, conservation, and restoration of the native plants and native plant communities of Florida.

The grants review committee, consisting of Richard Wunderlin, Carl Weekley, Daphne Lambright, and Paul Schmalzer, reviewed 20 proposals submitted for the 2009 Endowment Research Awards. Four proposals were awarded funding:

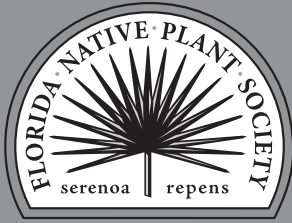
**Nicholas Buckley, Department of Ecology and Evolutionary Biology, University of Tennessee.** Mating system biology of the Florida native plant: *Illicium parviflorum*.

**James M. Heaney, Department of Biology, University of Florida and Florida Museum of Natural History.** Systematics, biogeography, and conservation genetics of two Florida endemics, *Nolina brittoniana* and *N. atopocarpa* (Ruscaceae).

**Herbert Kesler and Jennifer Trusty, Folius Consulting.** Evaluation and conservation of *Harperocallis flava*: A federally endangered plant in the savannas of the Apalachicola River Basin.

**Alice A. Winn, Department of Biological Science, Florida State University.** Demographic analysis to understand what determines the success and failure of populations of the endangered Florida endemic *Conradina glabra*.

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### **The purpose of the Florida Native Plant Society**

is to conserve, preserve, and restore the native plants and native plant communities of Florida.

### **Official definition of native plant:**

For most purposes, the phrase Florida native plant refers to those species occurring within the state boundaries prior to European contact, according to the best available scientific and historical documentation. More specifically, it includes those species understood as indigenous, occurring in natural associations in habitats that existed prior to significant human impacts and alterations of the landscape.

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