



Philippine Native Plants Conservation Society Inc.

First International Symposium of the Philippine Native Plants Conservation Society, Inc. (PNPCSI)

First Announcement and Call for Papers

The Philippine Native Plants Conservation Society, Inc. will hold its first symposium on November 19–20, 2011 at the Tambunting Hall of the Philippine National Museum (Museum of the Filipino People) to commemorate the first death anniversary of its founding President, Leonardo L. Co. The symposium theme is *“Philippine Botanical Treasures and the Legacy of Leonardo L. Co”*. The theme is based on the life and works of Leonardo L. Co who studied and worked on Philippine plant diversity and conservation, ecology, ethnobotany and economic botany.

PNPCSI is a professional organization formed to contribute to Philippine native plant research and conservation by conducting scientific research; providing technical assistance; training and student mentorship; promoting the use of native plants in landscaping and reforestation; and increasing public awareness for the conservation of botanic resources in the country.

Key symposium activities:

1. Plenary sessions
2. Oral paper presentations
3. Poster presentations
4. Commercial exhibits on native plants, resources about Philippine plant diversity and other related items

A post-symposium field trip is offered. Details of this will be disseminated in the second circular.

Call for Papers for Poster and Oral presentations. Scientific papers on plant diversity, conservation, ethnobotany, economic botany and other relevant topics inspired and advocated by Leonardo L. Co are invited. An abstract of not more than 500 words should be submitted on or before August 15, 2011 through electronic mail to jjobico@post.upm.edu.ph. The following format should be followed:

- a. Font and size: Times New Roman, 12 point
- b. Title: centered, bold, upper case
- c. Authors: centered, sentence case. Kindly indicate affiliation and address, and email address. The name of the presenting author should be underscored.
- d. Body of abstract: justified
- e. Kindly specify if the abstract is competing for oral or poster presentation by following the filename format: surname_ORAL/POSTER_pnpcsi2011 e.g. delacruz_oral_pnpcsi2011.

Registration fees for the symposium are as follows:

Php 2,000 for early registration (until October 15, 2011); Php 2,500 for on-site registration

Php 1,000 for students with proof of status

Kindly deposit your payments to Banco De Oro account name and number: Philippine Native Plants Conservation Society, Inc. 003938010236. Please bring deposit slip upon registration on November 19, 2011.

For accommodations, we recommend hostels near the venue of the symposium such as those found in Philippine Normal University and Sta. Isabel College. Kindly visit their respective websites for more information on reservation and rates. Participants of the symposium should make their own arrangements with these schools as regards reservation.

For more inquiries about the symposium, kindly contact pnpci@gmail.com.