Background to Etnobotanica '97

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Ethnobotany '97, the II International Congress, is the successor to Etnobotanica '92. The first event was sponsored by Spain's Andalucian Government, the Cordova Town Council, the University of Cordova, and organized by de Cordova Botanical Garden in celebration of the first 500 years since the discovery of America by Columbus.

This year, the Autonomous University of Yucatan Faculty of Veterinary Medicine and Animal Science Biology School is organizing and hosting Etnobotanica '97 in Merida, Yucatan, Mexico from October 12-17. The theme "The ethnobotany as a basis for sustainable management of plant resources" is open to all those individuals engaged in research, education, and promotion of ethnobotany in the Americas, the Caribbean and other parts of the world.

For further information:

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Graduate Programs in Ethnobotany

(List adapted from an SEB Newsletter)

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XVI International Botanical Congress

8/23/97

The XVI International Botanical Congress will be held in St. Louis, MO, USA 1-7 August 1999, organized by the North American botanical community, including botanical, mycological and ecological societies, universities, research institutions and others. It will provide a forum for presentation and discussion of the latest advances in plant sciences. The First Circular is available and symposia proposals will be accepted until 15 September 1997. Barbara J. Kitrel, XVI IBC Administrative Assistant has sent this information and would like to get the message out to as many people as possible.

The XVI IBC's website can be found at http://www.ibc99.org.

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International Conference on Medicinal Plants February 16-20, 1998 Bangalore, South India

"Medicinal Plants For Survival"

For more information contact:

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See posted announcement on: Global Initiative for Traditional Systems (Gifts) of Health.

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JOB ANNOUNCEMENTS

POST #1.

The New York Botanical Garden Position Announcement #SC-1347

Qualified candidates may mail applications to the Human Resources Department or leave them with the receptionist. Application deadline for this position is until filled.

Title

Database Supervisor

Department

Science/Institute of Economic Botany

Salary

Commensurate with experience

Number of Positions: 1

Requirements

Interest in and experience with economic botany, botanical research and computerized database management systems.

M.S. or B.S. in Economic Botany, Anthropology, Ecology or other field involving economic botany.

Duties and Responsibilities

Responsible for the quality of IEB data in the Garden's specimen database, currently NY pc and subsequently CASSIA.

Oversee IEB data entry; maintain IEB authority files; and train and assist IEB staff in the use of centralized databases.

Work with the Herbarium database manager and CASSIA development group.

Participate in research in the IEB as an IEB research assistant.

NYBG Staff applying for the above position must complete a new application.

The NY Botanical Garden is an Affirmative Action/Equal Opportunity Employer.

Date of Posting: November 7, 1997.

Please send resume and cover letter to:

Human Resources Coordinator -- DBS The New York Botanical Garden 200th Street & Southern Boulevard Bronx, NY 10458-5126

Direct e-mail to: lreyes@nybg.org

Phone: 718-817-8700 FAX 718-220-6504

POST #2.

1) Assistant Professor - Ethnobotany

Connecticut College seeks to fill a tenure-track position in the field of ethnobotany. The appointment will be made jointly in the departments of Anthropology and Botany. This position will complement the Colleges strong programs in anthropology, botany and environmental studies; specific areas of training and research interests are open, but the successful candidate must be broadly educated and able to interact with faculty and students across a range of disciplines. Applicants should have ethnographic fieldwork experience and a focus on plant systematics and local use of indigenous species. Teaching responsibilities will include an ethnographic area course, an ethnobotany course, and additional courses of the candidates design that will complement offerings in Anthropology, Botany, and Environmental Studies. Teaching load is five courses for the academic year, with laboratory sections counting as a full course. Connecticut College is committed to research as an important component of undergraduate education; the successful candidate will be expected to develop a program which will involve undergraduates in some component of his or her research. A Ph. D. is required; postdoctoral work and teaching experience are desirable. Connecticut College is a highly selective, independent, four-year liberal arts college enrolling ca. 1600 students. Facilities include the Olin Science Center, a 16,000 specimen herbarium, TEM, SEM with x-ray microprobe capabilities. The 450 acre Connecticut College

Arboretum surrounds the College and is used extensively for teaching and research. Application should include a CV with a list of potential referees and statements of the candidate's philosophy on teaching and research at the undergraduate level. Application review will begin December 1, 1997 and continue until the position has been filled. All material should be sent to: R. Scott Warren, Chair, Ethnobotany Search Committee, c/o Box 5213, Connecticut College, 270 Mohegan Avenue, New London, CT 06320-4196. Email inquiries may be addressed to rswar@conncoll.edu. See: Home Page Connecticut College.

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