



**2013 American Bamboo Society Annual Conference
October 10 -13, 2013
West Palm Beach, Florida**

Thursday October 10, 2013
Marriott Hotel 1001 Okeechobee Blvd.
West Palm Beach, FL

- 9 AM – 5 PM** ABS Board Meeting
 all conference attendees are welcome to attend ABS Board Meeting
- 6 PM – 8 PM** Welcome to Conference Meet and Greet
 Marriott Hotel – Poolside
 appetizers will be provided along with a cash bar

Friday October 11, 2013
Mounts Botanical Garden -Auditorium
531 North Military Trail West Palm Beach, FL

- 8:30 AM** Conference Registration Open
- 9:00 AM** Conference Welcome by Will Pierson, FCC President
 Allen Sistrunk, Mounts Garden Director, Introduction
- 9:30 AM** Gerard Minakawa-Bamboodna.com – Contemporary Bamboo
 Architectural & Sculptural applications
- 10:15AM** Break
- 10:30AM** Daniel Cheyne – Guadua Tech – Integration of Modern Materials with
 Bamboo as structural elements
- 11:30AM** Lunch

- 12:30 PM** Dr. Deborah Missoti – Primatologist – (with furry friends) –
Bamboo as forage, food, and shelter for apes and monkeys.
- 1:30 PM** Robert Saporito, Tropical Bamboo Nursery – Bamboo Import
Process from Start to Finish
- 2:15 PM** Break
- 2:30 PM** Marcello Villegas – Bamboo Construction Methodology & the new
fiber frontier with Guadua Angustifolia
- 3:15 PM** Simon Velez –40 Years of Bamboo Architecture throughout the
World
- 4:15 PM** Wrap Up Day 1/Remarks – Will Pierson

Friday Evening

Dinner on your own or Optional Dinner Cruise

Saturday October 12, 2013

Mounts Botanical Garden –Auditorium

- 8:30 AM** Silent Auction, final bids to close at 9:50 AM
- 9:00 AM** Victor Cusack (Australia) author, Bamboo World - via Skype
- 9:15 AM** Shanti Pierce (Florida) Bamboo Leaf Tea
- 10:00AM** James Clever,(WA) President ABS-Gardening w/Temperate Bamboo
- 10:45 AM** Kelly Bradshaw-Island Bamboo- Clumping Bamboo in the Landscape
- 11:30 AM** Invitation to the 10th World Bamboo Congress, South Korea
- 12:00 PM** Lunch
- 1:30 PM** Dr. Eduardo Ruiz-Sanchez (Mexico) BOTA
- 2:15 PM** Bus Transportation to Tropical Bamboo Nursery & Gardens for
propagation workshop/demonstration – tour of gardens.
- 6:00 PM** ABS Bamboo Plant Auction on stage at Tropical Bamboo Nursery -
Bamboo Celebration (Bamboopalooza!) with music and food in the garden

Sunday October 13, 2013

Farewell Champagne Brunch at Marriott Hotel

Optional Field Trip – Fruit & Spice Park, Homestead, FL