The 1131st meeting of the New England Botanical Club, Inc. will be held Friday, 2 November 2018, at 6:45 p.m. in Haller Lecture Hall (room 102), Geological Museum, 24 Oxford St., Harvard University, Cambridge, MA.

“Is Plant Exploration Dead in a Plant-blind Era?”
By
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PLEASE NOTE:
1) **MICHAEL DOSMANN’S ABSTRACT:** 1-in-5 plant species on Earth is threatened with extinction, and in the US at least, a plant-blind society leaves little hope for improvement. However, plant explorers like the Arnold Arboretum’s Michael Dosmann are leading efforts to observe, collect, and preserve species for current and future research.

2) **NEXT NEBC MEETING:** On 7 December 2018, Dr. Diana Jolles, Assistant Professor of Botany & Director, Plymouth State University Herbarium (PSH), Plymouth State University, Plymouth, NH, will speak on “Genetic Diversity and Phyloecology of the Western North American *Pyrola pita* Species Complex (Ericaceae)”

3) **VIDEOS of PAST PRESENTATIONS:** Please see Past Meetings for videos of past lectures, including Aaron Ellison’s October presentation. No password required for access to videos.

4) **NONVASCULAR HERBARIUM WORK DATES:** If you would like to help Elizabeth Kneiper and the Nonvascular Herbarium Committee with many tasks related to the NEBC collection, please see the What's New page for details.

5) **PARKING LOCATION:** From 5 PM-10 PM, our designated FREE parking lot is the 52 Oxford St. Garage, near the intersection of Everett St. and Oxford St. Parking in any other lot will likely lead to towing. Please find a map showing the Oxford Garage (52OX) at the following link: Interactive Harvard University Map.

6) **EARLIER ARRIVALS:** For those arriving before 5 PM, visitor permits ($18.00/day) are available from Harvard Parking Service at Harvard Campus Service Center, 8th floor, Holyoke Building, 1350 Massachusetts Ave. (8AM-5PM) and on-line at Visitor Parking Permit. Select OEB/MCZ/HUH for building and 2017 for the department code. License plate number needed for transaction. Print pass and display on dash. For more information, Parking Services may be contacted at 617-495-3772 or parking@harvard.edu. [AN ALTERNATIVE: Some members park at Alewife T station and ride the red line train to the Harvard Square T stop.]

The Council will meet 4–5 PM in the meeting room near Haller Lecture Hall.