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NEXT MEETING

Sunday, MAY 25 2 P.M.

Zilker Botanical Garden Center

2022 Barton Springs Road

Austin, TX 78746

Program - Succulents

AUSTIN AREA BEGONIA MINUTES – APRIL 27, 2025 MEETING

The Austin Area Begonia Society met at 2 P.M. Sunday, April 27, 2025 in the Zilker Botanical Garden Center. Twenty members were present to work on terrariums — creating new worlds using supplies that they could choose since the large terrarium requires a greater selection and use of imagination. Doug Byrom opened the covered tables that held supplies for creating this special world that could keep begonias alive. Doug held a pad that would hold dampness and then charcoal and planting mixes to keep the tiny begonias alive.



Photo by Syria Holley



BEGONIA RENDEZVOUS

2025 American Begonia Society

National Convention and

Southwest Region Get-Together

May 15 through the 17th

Hilton Garden Inn Northwest/

Willowbrook

7979 Willow Chase Boulevard

Houston, TX.



B. dregei

Doug also mentioned that Charlotte Boyle will have someone from the succulent society to talk about growing these plants that use very little water. This will be the program for May.

In June when Doug celebrates his birthday Don Miller will present an interesting study about bonsai begonias using *B. dregei* and caudex (a plant stem or rootstock).

The American Begonia Society National Convention and the Southwest Begonia Get-Together in Houston is coming May 15 and lasts until the 17th commemorating the 45th anniversary of the Astro Branch's Charter.

During the April meeting the society decided to have 2 persons to volunteer to bring snacks such as crackers and cheese, tea or water, and cookies or cake to the meeting. The Holley Family will bring food for the May meeting. For June Doug and Jen will bring snacks for the celebration.

The meeting closed at 3:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Nelda Moore



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