

Invitation to Bolus Herbarium and associated Library's 150th celebration



From its humble beginnings in Graaff-Reinet in 1865, the Bolus Herbarium, together with its excellent botanical library, today forms a unique teaching and research facility at UCT. With over 350,000 specimens, which includes over 11,500 type specimens, it provides superb coverage of the diversity of the Cape Flora.

You are warmly invited to join the Bolus Herbarium in celebrating our 150th Anniversary with a seminar day on **Tuesday 8th December**, filled with fascinating research topics, the theme being “Collections based science” and “Cape botany”, culminating in two popular lectures by renowned botanists in the evening:

6-6.45 pm

Professor Ben-Erik van Wyk, Dept. of Botany and Biotechnology, University of Johannesburg – “Cape Botany: maximizing the scientific, cultural and socio-economic opportunities presented in a unique flora”

7-7.45 pm:

Professor Peter Linder, Institute for Systematic Botany, University of Zurich – “Botanists and herbaria: how we found out how rich the Cape Flora is”

Day-time schedule: am session – 9.00- 1pm, lunch 1-2pm, pm session 2-5

Venue:

John Day Building, Department of Biological Sciences, University Avenue, Upper Campus, University of Cape Town.



Booking by 5th Dec. is essential. Email Charlene.Christians@uct.ac.za or Tel: 021 6503773



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Tea will be served during the am and pm sessions and drinks and snacks between 5-6pm

The full day-time seminar schedule can be accessed on

<http://www.bolus.uct.ac.za/>