

In this talk, Stephen McCabe, Emeritus Director of Research of UCSC Arboretum, will focus on recent poaching of the native succulent Dudleya plants from the California coast, as well as mentioning other succulent poaching that is a side effect of the current succulent plant craze. In one bust alone, about \$600,000 worth of poached plants were seized. The show will cover some of the steps people are taking to protect the common and the many rare and endangered species of succulent plants, as well as how to grow responsibly produced plants.





Stephen began his conservation work in Yosemite in the 1970s. He has been studying and growing Dudleya since 1983. He retired from the Arboretum after 30 years, working as most employees did there and then, as a jack of all trades, finishing up as Director of Research. He continues to study Dudleya as a researcher with the Environmental Studies Department at UCSC and the Arboretum, while collaborating with other institutions. Stephen brought his collection of Dudleya from SF State to the Arboretum many years ago.

Writings include the Dudleya section of The Jepson Manual and articles in a variety of publications.

Wednesday, February 12th, 2020 at 7pm Hort II Meeting Hall, Arboretum & Botanic Garden More information at https://arboretum.ucsc.edu/education/ray-collett Free Community Event, Donations Welcome