

2024 Economic Botany Section Report to the BSA Council  
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***Current Section Governance:***

*Emily Warschefsky – Chair*

*Tabitha Faber – Secretary/Treasurer*

*[vacant] – Public relations*

2023-2024 Activities

**1. BOTANY 2023 Activities**

- a. Contributed Papers: 7 presented (2 cancellations) in the Ethnobotany session, with approximately 80 registered attendees. 5 presented (1 cancellation) in the Crops and Wild Relatives session, with roughly 100 registered attendees.
- b. Contributed Posters: 3 posters were submitted to the Crops and Wild Relatives and 7 posters were submitted to the Ethnobotany subsections of the Economic Botany section.
- c. Best Student Poster Award (\$200):
  - i. Crops and Wild Relatives: Uzezi Okinedo, University of Massachusetts Boston, For the Poster: Discovering the Genetic Basis of Rice Grain Shape.
- d. Supported following symposia in name:
  - i. Standing your ground: understanding plant defense from molecules to morphology
- e. Supported the following colloquia in name:
  - i. Shifting baselines and altered landscapes: botany in the Anthropocene
- f. Co-organized/led an afternoon workshop:
  - i. Decolonizing Botany Discussion + Workshop