

2021 -2022 Bryological and Lichenological Section Report to BSA Council
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Daphne Stone Will represent the American Bryological and Lichenological Society (ABLS) at the Botanical Society of America Council meeting in Anchorage, AK in 2022.

2021 Activities:

Paper sessions: there was a single session of paper presentations.

Awards:

- The Sharp Award for best student presentation was given to Christina Rinas (\$1000).
- Sullivant Award for best paper in bryology in The Bryologists was given to Beatriz Vigalondo and her co-authors (\$1000).
- Tuckerman Award for best paper in lichenology in The Bryologist was given to Jessica Allen and James Lendemmer (\$1000).
- Student "Travel" awards given to all students that registered for the virtual conference. These awards paid the registration fees for students.

There were no field trips in 2021 because it was a virtual meeting.

2022 planning:

- Daphne Stone, President-Elect ABLs, participated in the BSA planning meeting in Anchorage, AK in October 2021.
- ABLs membership will meet with BSA in Anchorage, AK in 2022
- ABLs is planning and funding 2 Colloquia in 2022 for Botany 2022
- ABLs has 2 Contributed Papers Sessions for Botany 2022, with 12 papers
- ABLs will have 11 posters at the poster session
- ABLs has sponsored two 1- day field trips and one 5-day field trips for Botany 2022
- ABLs is sponsoring a society social at the on Tues July 26 2022 during the conference. At this event, student members of ABLs will be invited to participate without cost, in an effort to increase participation in BSA 2022

Section Funds

- B&L Section funds at the end of 2021 were approximately \$4430

ABLS Funding:

- ABLs will provide \$200 to support the Symposium Tackling Coloniality in Plant Sciences
- ABLs will provide \$200 to support the Symposium Black Botanical Legacy
- ABLs supports in name the Symposium Beringia!
- ABLs will fully support the two Colloquia Bryophytes and Lichens on the Edges of Changing Ecosystems and Dryland Mosses

- ABLS will support in name the two Colloquia Paths Forward and Resilience in polluted Environments

Awards:

- BSA will provide three Anderson & Crum student travel awards of \$500 each to students who are members of BSA and who are presenting papers or posters, using the B&L funds. We thank the BSA for these awards, which will greatly help students to attend.
- BSA will provide field trip awards to student members of BSA who wish for assistance to attend field trips. The number of these awards given to B&L members is not yet known. If any were awarded, we thank the BSA for these awards, which will greatly help students to participate in field trips, an important part of these meetings.
- ABLS will provide travel awards to students attending and presenting at the Anchorage meeting.