

Evansia

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Guide for contributors

Aim and scope: The **aim** of *Evansia* is to increase awareness and knowledge of lichens and bryophytes among amateurs, students, professionals as well as the general public. The **scope** of *Evansia* includes, but isn't restricted to, original research articles on taxonomy; local floras and/or new regional records; reports of unusual observations; essays expressing opinions; techniques and aids for studying and curating lichens and bryophytes; and reports on society members and events. It is recommended that contributions focus on issues within North America. Articles of greater significance, such as descriptions of new species, should be submitted to *The Bryologist*.

- The first section on *Perspectives and Comments* provides an outlet for essays and opinions on scientific issues that cannot be accommodated in the article section of the journal.
- The main section, containing *Articles*, should be written in a standard scientific format reflecting the contributions described in the scope of the journal.
- The third section, *History Speaking*, includes short, accurate essays on historical issues such as interesting biographical accounts or historical techniques.
- *News Items* at the end of each issue will include announcements of forays, conferences, courses/workshops, naturalist society activities, and other items of interest to the readership.

Submission of manuscripts: Manuscripts should be submitted to the editor, Scott LaGreca, by email at evansia-editor@duke.edu. All submissions must be in English. See recent copies of *Evansia* for style and format. There are no page charges for regular contributions, but a charge for color images and long articles will be imposed.

- An author-solicited review of all manuscripts is required. When an author submits a manuscript, a reviewer must be contacted by the author to forward a copy of the review to the editor. Once the author has made revisions based on reviewer feedback, the final manuscript should be emailed to the editor.
- At least one author on each manuscript **must** have a current membership in the ABLs. Copyright must be transferred to the ABLs upon acceptance of the manuscript.

Guidelines for authors: Manuscripts must be submitted as Microsoft Word documents.

- Title and short abstract – less than 150 words describing article contents and the significance of the study/observation. An abstract and 5 key words are required for all articles.
- Introduction – short, concise, and may lead to a goal or objectives for the study.
- Methods –concise and may include a description of the geographic areas examined and how the species were identified, or a lengthier description of an experimental study.
- Results – May be combined with discussion but must be clearly stated with reference to figures and tables. Species lists or new reports will be included in this section.

Note: Authors of papers with regional species checklists are now required to upload their checklists and voucher record to the Consortium of North American Bryophyte Herbaria (www.bryophyteportal.org) and/or the Consortium of North American Lichen Herbaria (www.lichenportal.org). For detailed tutorials on how to use these two portals see: <https://lichenportal.org/help-resources/>. If you have questions please contact the editor.

- Discussion – should compare results with the literature and discuss the significance of the findings or report. Concluding comments should be made in the last paragraph of the discussion.
- Acknowledgements – short to acknowledge contributors and funding sources.
- Literature cited – format should be the same as that in *The Bryologist*.
- Figures – High-quality illustrations and photographs (i.e. 300 dpi at print size) should be emailed to the editor separately, not imbedded in the text.