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# ANNOUNCEMENT

## Graduate Student Research Awards

The New England Botanical Club annually awards up to \$6,000 to support botanical research conducted by graduate students. The awards are made to stimulate and encourage botanical research on New England flora (plants, algae, and fungi), including support for field work or herbarium visits in New England by those who would not otherwise be able to travel to the region. It is anticipated that two awards will be given, although the actual number and amount of awards will depend on the proposals received.

The awards are given to the graduate student(s) submitting the best research proposal dealing with systematic botany, biosystematics, plant ecology, or plant conservation biology. Details on the materials to be submitted for consideration, terms of the award agreement, abstracts of the winning proposals, and a listing of past awards are available on the Club's web page. Award recipients are strongly encouraged to submit resulting manuscripts to the Club's journal, *Rhodora*.

The Graduate Student Research Award Committee is pleased to announce the three award recipients for 2021.

### **2021 NEW ENGLAND BOTANICAL CLUB GRADUATE STUDENT RESEARCH AWARDS**

#### **Michael LaScaleia, University of Connecticut**

“What role do top-down and bottom-up enemy release play in exotic plant invasion of New England forests?”

#### **Madeleine Meadows-McDonnell, University of Connecticut**

“Coastal wetland carbon dynamics: testing how salinity and light affect root exudation rates of dominant salt marsh grasses”

#### **Amber Stanley, University of Pittsburgh**

“Have human-mediated disturbances led to changes in pollination of native flowering plants?”