International Registration of Cultivar Names for Unassigned Woody Genera 1998

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During 1998, nine cultivar names in unassigned woody genera were registered. Individuals introducing new cultivars of ornamental plants are encouraged to register these names with a view to nomenclatural stabilization. A directory of International Registration Authorities is available at <http://www.ishs.org/sci/iradirec.htm> and from the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta, 351 Longwood Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348, USA.

The registration of woody ornamental cultivars for those groups that do not have an appointed International Registration Authority (IRA) began in 1948 under the auspices of the American Association of Nurserymen (AAN). The Arnold Arboretum served as the International Registration Authority for Unassigned Woody Ornamentals between 1959 and 1980. In 1980, the American Association of Botanical Gardens and Arboreta (AABGA) assumed responsibility for coordinating the registration of unassigned woody ornamentals within the United States and Canada. Since this date, the U.S. National Arboretum (1981–84), Longwood Gardens (1984–93), The Royal Botanic Gardens, Ontario (1993), and Brooklyn Botanic Garden (1994–present) have served as the IRA for Unassigned Woody Ornamentals.

The present International Registration Authority for unassigned woody ornamentals can be contacted at the address above.

***Acer* × *pseudo-heldreichii* ‘Blagdon’.** Registered 6 Apr. 1998. Registrant: Viscount Ridley, c/o Peter A. Gregory, The Maple Society, Trefyclawdd, 3 Park Close, Tetbury, Gloucestershire GL8 8HS, England. This cultivar was selected in Blagdon, England, from a chance seedling that originated from a spontaneous cross between *Acer heldreichii* var. *macroptalam* and *A. pseudoplatanus* forma *purpureum* at the Royal Botanic Garden, Edinburgh. The hybrid combines the red petioles, deeply divided leaves, pink, strap-like bud-scales, and pink samaras of *A. heldreichii* and the fast growth rate and purple leaf undersurfaces of *A. pseudoplatanus*. The cultivar is propagated by grafting onto *A. pseudoplatanus* stock. Further details are published in vol. 7(4) of the Maple Society Newsletter.

***Hibiscus syriacus* ‘Perry’s Sunshine’.** Registered 20 Feb. 1998. Registrant: Frank Perry, 408 Meadow Lane, Middletown, DE 19709. This cultivar originated from a chance seedling in 1992. The cultivar is not presently commercially available. *Hibiscus syriacus* ‘Perry’s Sunshine’ is a small shrub with yellow and green variegated leaves. The flowers are white and have striking red markings along the basal inner portions of the petals. A herbarium specimen and photograph have been deposited at BKL.

***Malus pumila* ‘Michelle’.** Registered 26 June 1998. Registrant: Norman Stewart, Box 69, 693 Lockstead Road, Blackville Road, Blackville, N.B. Eocico, Canada. This cultivar originated from a cross between the *Malus pumila* cultivars Royalty and Red Splendor. *Malus pumila* ‘Michelle’ has a fast growth rate and at maturity reaches a height of 5 m and a spread of 3 m. The leaves of this cultivar are bright red with green and silver markings. The cultivar is not presently commercially available. Plants are hardy to zones 2–9 (Canadian Dept. of Agriculture). A photograph has been deposited at Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

***Nyssa sylvatica* ‘Wisley Bonfire’.** Registered 28 Apr. 1998. Registrant: Mike Grant, Botany Dept., RHS Garden, Wisley, Woking, Surrey, GU23 6QB, England. Jim Gardiner selected this cultivar in 1995 from a mature tree growing at the RHS garden. *Nyssa sylvatica* ‘Wisley Bonfire’ has a superior broad-based conical habit and consistent fall color. It reaches a height of 14.75 m and a spread of 13.2 m and is propagated by grafting. An illustration appears in The Garden 121(2):74, 1996 and a herbarium specimen has been deposited at WSY.

***Prunus virginiana* var. *melanocarpa* ‘Pickup’s Pride’.** Registered 4 Dec. 1998. Registrant: William Schroeder, PFRA Shelterbelt Centre, Indian Head, Saskatchewan, Canada SOG 2KO. This cultivar was selected in 1993 from wild material that was growing on the property of John Pickup, after whom this cultivar is named. *Prunus virginiana* var. *melanocarpa* ‘Pickup’s Pride’ differs from the wild type in terms of its superior size, yield, and quality of fruit. The cultivar grows best in a moderately well drained soil and is hardy to zone 2b (USDA Map). The plant has been registered with the Canadian Ornamental Plant Foundation and is available to members of this organization.

***Quercus virginiana* ‘CLTF2’.** Registered 20 Feb. 1998. Registrant: Alan Heinrich, 7836 Cherry Lake Road, Groveland, FL 34736. This cultivar was selected in 1996 from a chance seedling in cultivation. *Quercus virginiana* ‘CLTF2’ has a fast growth rate; large dark green leaves; and a compact, upright branching habit. It is propagated asexually from cuttings or grafting and is hardy to zones 8B–10 (USDA Map). A photograph has been deposited at Brooklyn Botanic Garden.

***Salvia microphylla* × *chamaedryoides* ‘Christine Yeo’.** Registered 28 Sept. 1998. Registrant: Christine Yeo, Pleasant View Nursery, Two Mile Oak, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 6DG UK. This cultivar was selected in 1996 from a chance seedling in cultivation and was introduced to the trade in 1998. *Salvia microphylla* × *chamaedryoides* ‘Christine Yeo’ is intermediate between its parents and has deep violet flowers, while the parents have red and blue flowers, respectively. The cultivar is hardy to 18 °F and prefers a well-drained soil in full sun.

***Salvia microphylla* × *greggii* ‘Moonlight serenade’.** Registered 24 Nov. 1998. Registrant: Christine Yeo, Pleasant View Nursery, Two Mile Oak, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 6DG UK. This cultivar was selected in 1996 from a chance seedling in cultivation and was introduced to the trade in 1997. *Salvia microphylla* × *greggii* ‘Moonlight serenade’ has cream-colored flowers with a hint of pink (27D RHS colour chart), and a dark, almost black calyx and flower stalk. The cultivar is hardy to ≈21 °F and prefers a well-drained soil in full sun.

***Salvia microphylla* × *greggii* ‘Pleasant Pink’.** Registered 24 Nov. 1998. Registrant: Christine Yeo, Pleasant View Nursery, Two Mile Oak, Newton Abbot, Devon TQ12 6DG UK. This cultivar was selected in 1997 from a chance seedling in cultivation and was introduced to the trade in 1998. *Salvia microphylla* × *greggii* ‘Pleasant Pink’ is intermediate between its parents and has pale pink flowers (corolla tube 56A, petal tips 56B; RHS colour chart), and a dark, almost black calyx and flower stalk. The cultivar is hardy to ≈21 °F and prefers a well-drained soil in full sun.

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