

# Sympathy for the Devil's Advocate

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Scrabbles the  
Death Dealer



Hooded oriole  
nest

*Heteromeles arbutifolia*  
'Davis Gold'

*Strelitzia regina*



Photo: Denver Post

The mission of Vallarta Botanical Gardens (VBG) is to create Mexico's foremost botanical garden for the propagation, study, discovery, conservation, and display of Mexican native plants for enjoyment by Puerto Vallarta's residents and our visitors.

## Core Collections

Mexican native plants with preference given to documented wild propagules. Order of preference for taxa collection follows from local (Cabo Corrientes), to regional ("Flora de Novo-Galiciiana"), to all of Mexico, and finally to plants with international or cosmopolitan ranges that include Mexico. The Core Collections should occupy all outdoor planted areas in the Garden.



# The “Toilet Bowl” Theory



# Botanical Alternatives...

**“Nepenthes Theory”?**



**“Sarracenia Theory”?!**





**It doesn't work!**

**Non-profitable**



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# JAGUARES

DE MITO ANCESTRAL A  
IMPERATIVO DE CONSERVACIÓN ACTUAL

Una colaboración del Jardín Botánico de Vallarta, Panthera y Viva Natura





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México, D.F. 14 de Mayo 2009  
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First flower of *Magnolia vallartensis* observed in cultivation

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LONGWOOD  
GARDENS

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# Leveraging our Past for Future Innovation: Native Orchid Conservation at Longwood Gardens

- Goals
  - To halt the loss of orchid diversity
  - Build orchid collections with conservation value
  - Disseminate research and germplasm
  - Dispel horticultural myths
- Conservation Horticulture
  - Seed Propagation
  - Seedling Development
  - Greenhouse acclimatization
  - Collections
  - Restoration/Repatriation
- Taxon-based projects with long-term partnerships
- Plant Exploration



*Cypripedium parviflorum var. pub*

# Collections Development: Native Orchids of North America



# Applied Horticultural Research and Dissemination of Information



May 5, 2016



June 22, 2016



July 22, 2016



October 18, 2016



# Outreach in the Local Conservation Community



# International Outreach and Collaboration





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*Cypripedium irapeanum*



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**Thank You!**



















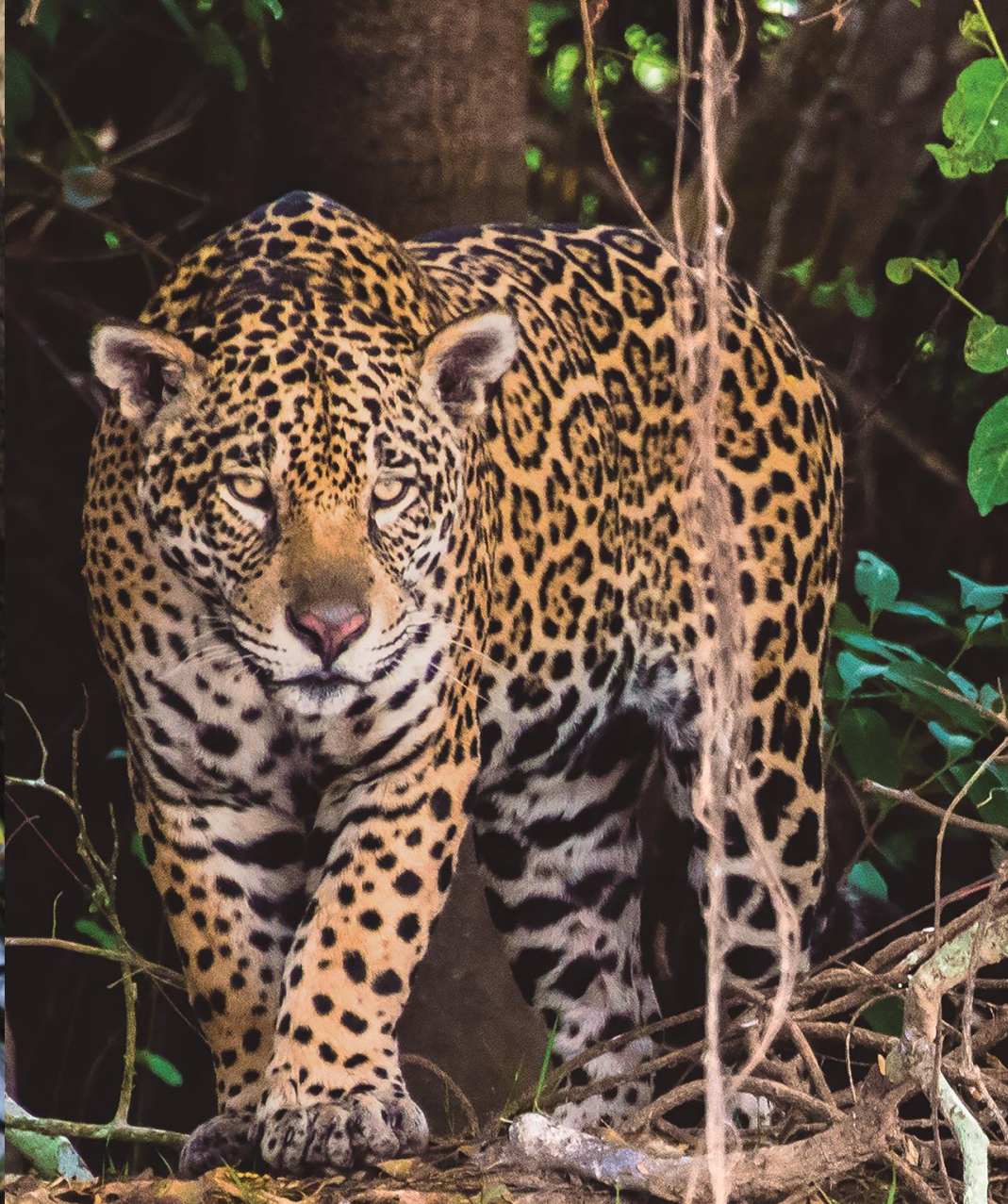








THE  
LOST  
BIRD  
PROJECT



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**23 April 2019**     **By: Robert Price, Founder & Curtator  
Vallarta Botanical Garden**

Late last month, while sitting at the balcony of the Vallarta Botanical Garden's Visitor Center with Board Member Ralph Osborne, a cacophony of raucous squawks brought our attention to the alarming sight of a large rainbow colored parrot on a wildly careening course right towards us. Fortunately, a few well-timed vigorous yet awkward flaps of its wings allowed it to veer off with only a near miss. It continued on in this frightful a fumbling manner in a broad arc before finally landing at the giant pine near the top of the Garden's highest hill, all the while flanked by a pair of much more graceful, yet otherwise similar looking birds. I then lost sight of this menace on wings as it quickly retreated to the refuge of its home undoubtedly to recover from what was most assuredly its most exhilarating moment of its young life.

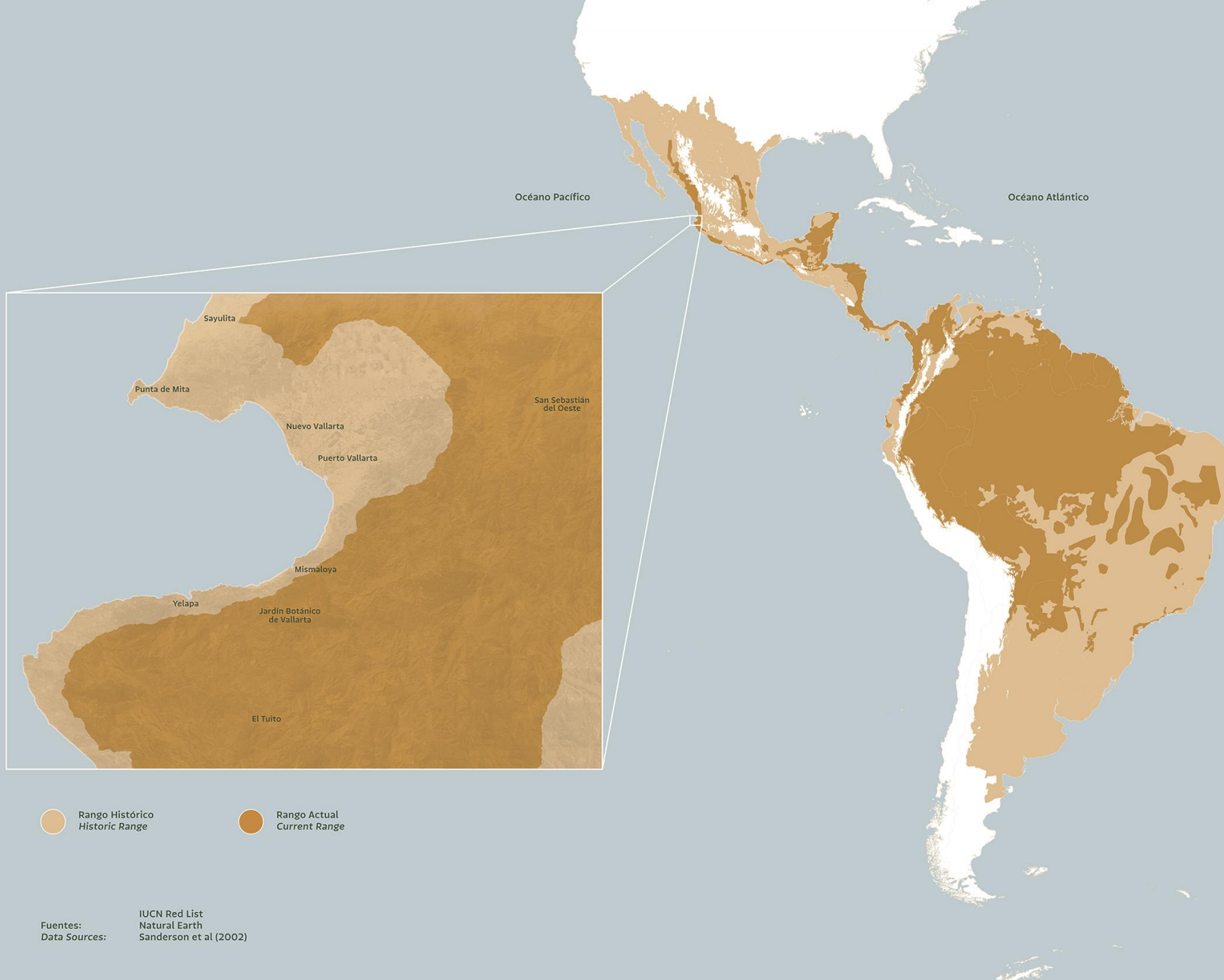
Ralph and I were left to then recover from our own shock as the lucky witnesses of what was obviously the first flight of one of the baby guacamayas (macaws) born in the Vallarta Botanical Garden just a few months back. Military Macaws (*Ara militaris*) are by far the largest parrot of our region with



# Conservación en Acción

El Jardín Botánico de Vallarta  
te invita a establecer una  
nueva reserva forestal.

88/220  
hectáreas / acres para el  
**2020**



Fuentes:  
Data Sources: IUCN Red List  
Natural Earth  
Sanderson et al (2002)



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