CALL FOR NOMINATIONS
VICE-CHAIR OF THE JOINT ISC-ISHS CITRUS SECTION

The ISC is responsible for the election of the officers of the joint ISC-ISHS Citrus Section, which shall consist of a Chair, a Vice-chair and a Past-chair. Each member in good standing in the Society (dues current through 2012) has the right to nominate a candidate. Nominations should include a 500-word statement describing the nominee's credentials for the position and willingness to serve and carry out the duties of the office. Nominations should be submitted in writing to Carol Lovatt, ISC Secretary/Treasurer. Nominations should be sent to arrive on or before 1 August 2012 by e-mail to <iscucr@ucr.edu>, by fax to the attention of Carol Lovatt at 951-827-4437, or by airmail to Carol Lovatt, Department of Botany and Plant Sciences-072, University of California, Riverside, CA 92521-0124 USA

Under the new ISC By-law passed by the Executive Committee, we are calling for nominations for the Vice-chair of the Citrus Section to take office at the ISC Congress in 2012 and assume the office of Chair of the Citrus Section at the close of the International Horticulture Congress 2014 and move to the Office of Past-chair at the close of International Horticultural Congress in 2018. A new Vice-chair of the Citrus section will be elected by majority vote of the ISC members in good standing and assume the office of Vice-chair of the Citrus section with each subsequent ISC Congress, with the obligation of assuming the offices of Chair and Past-chair as stated above. If the Vice-chair cannot complete the term of office, a special election will be held and a new Vice-chair elected by ISC members in good standing. If the Chair cannot complete the term of office, the Vice-chair will assume the office of Chair. A special election will be held to elect a new Vice-chair by ISC members in good standing. If the Past-chair cannot fulfill the term of office the most recent Past-chair will assume the office. If no Past-chair is able to assume the office, ISC Past-presidents will be asked to serve.

Nominees must be ISC members in good standing. Current Executive Committee members and Past-presidents of the ISC and Past-chairs of the Citrus Section should decline nomination in order to expand opportunities for additional members to serve. Nominations should include a 500-word statement describing the nominee's credentials for the position and willingness to serve and carry out the duties of the office. In the case of more than three nominees, the Executive Committee will vote by secret ballot and the three nominees with the most votes will comprise the final ballot.

Nominees will be given two weeks to provide a 1,000-word statement describing their credentials and goals as Vice-chair and subsequently Chair of the Citrus Section. These statements and a ballot will then be sent by e-mail to all ISC members in good standing with the deadline for voting 4 weeks from posting. The nominee with the most votes becomes the Vice-chair and is introduced at the closing ceremonies of the Congress, at which time the new Vice-Chair will be invited to make a brief statement.

Duties of the officers of the Citrus Section of ISHS include the following. Chair of the Citrus Section serves on the Executive Committee of the ISHS and leads the members of
section, which undertakes the scientific and technical work of the ISHS and may form Working Groups (see Statutes of the ISHS at http://www.ISHS.org). It is the expectation of the ISC that the Chair of the Citrus Section will promote open international collaboration in all areas of citrus research, hold meetings in locales accessible to individuals from all nations, and schedule symposia and work group meetings to enhance and not diminish participation in the activities of the ISC. The Chair of the Citrus section will be a member *ex officio* of the ISC Executive Committee and will report on the activities of the Citrus Section to the Executive Committee and to members of ISC at closing ceremonies of the Congress. The Chair assumes the office of Past-chair at the close of the International Horticultural Congress following assumption of the office of Chair. The Vice-chair assists the Chair in achieving the goals of the Citrus section, attends the annual ISHS Executive Committee meeting if the Chair cannot attend (note that in this case the Chair's ISHS financial support to attend this meeting goes to the Vice-chair) and assumes the office of Chair at the close of the International Horticultural Congress following election as Vice-Chair. The Past-chair serves as a resource to the new Chair and assists the chair in achieving the goals of the Citrus Section, especially during the 2-year period until the new Vice-chair is elected, and during this period may be called upon to attend the annual ISHS Executive Committee meeting if the Chair cannot attend (note that in this case the Chair's ISHS financial support to attend the meeting goes to the Past-chair).

The nomination letter and 500-word statement describing the nominee's credentials for the position and willingness to serve and carry out the duties of the office should be sent to Carol Lovatt, ISC Secretary/Treasurer per the instructions given above.