

**To:** Sellers, Vanessa [REDACTED]  
**Cc:** Jen Gauthier [REDACTED]  
**From:** Lesley Groff  
**Sent:** Fri 3/23/2018 2:11:43 PM  
**Subject:** Re: Jeffrey Epstein-Plant Intelligence Symposium - Lunch invitation

Excellent! thank you on all!  
We will stay in touch...  
...and I will reach out to Jen on another mail...

Have a great day, Lesley

On Mar 23, 2018, at 10:09 AM, Sellers, Vanessa <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Lesley,

Of course, Wohlleben was encircled by people all the time! I have cc'd Jennifer Gauthier, manager of Greystone books, who is Wohllebens contact person.

[REDACTED] introduced herself right before the start of the symposium— I did not have the pleasure to meet Mr. Epstein, but would be delighted to tour him around and show the Mertz Library's rare books collections as well when he returns in the spring.

I am sending here a link to the upcoming programs organized by the Humanities Institute, all at the intersection of the sciences and humanities, which might interest him: <https://www.nybg.org/learn/humanities-institute/events-symposia/>

With kind regards,

Vanessa

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**From:** Lesley Groff <[REDACTED]>  
**Sent:** Friday, March 23, 2018 9:42 AM  
**To:** Sellers, Vanessa <[REDACTED]>  
**Subject:** Re: Jeffrey Epstein-Plant Intelligence Symposium - Lunch invitation

Hello Vanessa and thank you again for your help with tickets for Jeffrey and [REDACTED] yesterday. Jeffrey would really like to speak with Peter Wohlleben, the author of

The Hidden Life of Trees...might you be able to provide me contact details for him or his assistant?

(Jeffrey came back all smiles and told me the Botanical Gardens was spectacular...he asked me to remind him to go back mid May)!

Lesley

On Mar 20, 2018, at 8:01 AM, Sellers, Vanessa <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Understand -

Greetings,

Vanessa

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**From:** Lesley Groff [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 7:59 AM  
**To:** Sellers, Vanessa  
**Subject:** Re: Jeffrey Epstein-Plant Intelligence Symposium - Lunch invitation

Vanessa, unfortunately schedules will not allow! Thank you so very much for the invitation. Jeffrey and [REDACTED] will see you 10am for the symposium! Lesley

Sent from my iPhone

On Mar 20, 2018, at 7:43 AM, Sellers, Vanessa <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Lesley,

We would be delighted to have Jeffrey Epstein and [REDACTED] stay for the luncheon with the speakers and some other guests, in the Garden Terrace Room Foyer, from 1:00-2:15 pm. They would be placed at Janet Browne's table to continue the conversation. This way they can immediately see the Garden and might decide to become members, indeed!

please let me know if they can join us.

Kind greetings,

Vanessa

**From:** Lesley Groff [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:53 AM  
**To:** Sellers, Vanessa  
**Cc:** [REDACTED]  
**Subject:** Re: Jeffrey Epstein-Plant Intelligence Symposium

Tremendous! thank you so very much! The name of Jeffrey's guest is [REDACTED] [REDACTED]...I will let Jeffrey know he will be on the list! ...and I'm positive he will have some interesting questions! ;)

Jeffrey will be thrilled...

Lesley  
Assistant to Jeffrey Epstein

On Mar 20, 2018, at 6:49 AM, Sellers, Vanessa <[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Leslie,

We will be glad to have Mr. Epstein and his friend (name?) join us for the event. I will place them on the list, so they just have to come to the Garden and enter Ross Hall and -- if they wish --ask some interesting questions!

Kind regards,

Vanessa

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On view and upcoming:

*Out of the Woods: Celebrating Trees in Public Gardens*, November 18–April 22  
*The Orchid Show*, March 3–April 22

Garden Art & Antiques Fair, May 3–6  
Georgia O'Keeffe: *Visions of Hawai'i*, May 19–October 28

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**From:** Lesley Groff [REDACTED]  
**Sent:** Tuesday, March 20, 2018 6:41 AM  
**To:** Sellers, Vanessa  
**Subject:** Jeffrey Epstein-Plant Intelligence Symposium

Good Morning Vanessa.  
Would it be possible to please purchase 2 tickets to the Plant Intelligence symposium on March 22nd for Jeffrey and his friend? I did contact the NYBG and was told the event is sold out and wait list only. Jeffrey would be happy to become a member as well! ...just let me know how to proceed.

Thank you very much,  
Lesley  
Assistant to Jeffrey Epstein

Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Nowak, Martin A."  
<REDACTED>

**Subject: Fwd: Re:**

**Date:** March 20, 2018 at  
6:32:47 AM EDT

**To:** Lesley Groff  
[REDACTED]

"Gallagher, Katherine"  
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[REDACTED]>

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Begin forwarded message:

**From:** "Browne,  
Janet"

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[REDACTED]>

**Date:** March 20, 2018 at 1:33:39 AM EDT

**To:** "Nowak, Martin A." <  
[REDACTED]>

**Cc:** "Sellers, Vanessa" <  
[REDACTED]>

**Subject: Re:**

Dear Martin, I am  
sure there are still  
spaces. It is by  
ticket, through the  
NYBG. Given the  
circumstances, the  
best person to  
contact would be  
Dr Vanessa Sellers,  
copied in above. I  
hope to see him  
there!, very best to  
you, Janet

On 3/19/18, 7:48 PM, "Nowak, Martin A."

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[REDACTED]> wrote:

Dear Janet,

My friend, Jeffrey Epstein, would love to attend your  
symposium on  
“Plant Intelligence”  
in New York.

Jeffrey lives in New York and does much philanthropic  
support of sciences.

He has supported projects at Harvard, MIT and other  
places.

Is there any chance he could attend?

Please let me know.

Best wishes  
Martin