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Miami professor gets state award

In recognition of his contributions to Ohio's natural beauty, Michael Vincent of Miami University received the Osborn Award during the annual Ohio Natural History Conference in Columbus.

The nomination-based award was presented by the Ohio Biological Survey, an organization dedi-

cated to the research and distribution of information on plants and animals in Ohio.

"It's quite an honor," Vincent said. "The fact that someone thinks enough of you to nominate you for such an award, of course, means a lot."

Vincent, a Miami botany professor, has taught for 30 years and has had more than 80 articles published.

He also has helped discover around 15 new plant species. In addition to research and traveling, he spends his time as curator of Miami's herbarium, where he is in charge of more than 620,000 plant specimens. He is now working on several classification and informational books about plants in North America and the Bahamas. STAFF REPORT