

Bio: John Arnott

Prior to commencing with the Royal Botanic Gardens Victoria, Cranbourne Gardens, John Arnott has worked in several significant public gardens. John worked for over 20 years at the Melbourne Zoo undertaking a range of technical and curatorial roles. He joined the team at the Geelong Botanic Gardens in 2000 and played a key role in the delivery of 21st Century Garden project which was the catalyst for the rejuvenation of the gardens.

John has been Manager of Horticulture at the Royal Botanic Gardens Cranbourne since 2008. Over this time, John has provided inspiration and leadership to the growing team of horticultural staff, with the key focus being the horticultural management of the Australian Garden and facilitating a range of conservation horticulture activities.

In 2015 John was awarded the Australian Plants Award. This award is presented biennially by the Australian Native Plant Societies (Australia) to individuals who have made an outstanding contribution to the knowledge of Australian plants.

