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State Library of Ohio Awards Lloyd Library Grant from the Federal Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS)

Thanks to a grant from the Institute of Museum and Library Services (IMLS) awarded by State Library of Ohio, the Lloyd Library & Museum will secure the conservation of two rare illustrated botanical books. These funds were made available for libraries to conserve a single item or discrete group of items with cultural value that speak to a library's mission and values. The Lloyd Library has selected two books that are not known to be held by any other library in the United States. Currently, the physical condition of both prevents use, depriving visitors and scholars of their beautiful illustrations and their interesting publication histories.

The first edition of *Flore d'Amérique* was published 1843-1846, with 200 hand-colored illustrations. The Lloyd Library's copy is dated 1834-1835 and contains two sets of 24 plates, one colored and one uncolored. A likely possibility is that it was used as a sample for the author to obtain subscriptions for the later, more complete work. The second book to be conserved, *Pomona Herefordiensis*, has no date on the title page while other known copies are dated 1811. An examination of the watermarks in the Lloyd's copy show 1822 for the text and 1817 for the plates. The Library will engage bookbinder Gabrielle Fox to carry out the conservation work, to be completed by September 2020.

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The Lloyd Library and Museum is a world-renowned independent research library and exhibit space devoted to bringing science, art and history to life. The Library was established by three brothers who manufactured botanical drugs in Cincinnati beginning in the late 19th century, and focuses on medicinal plants, botany and pharmacy. The Lloyd Library and Museum is free and open to the public. Located at 917 Plum St. in Cincinnati, Ohio, Lloyd is open Monday through Friday, and the third Saturday of the month from 9:00 a.m.- 4:00 p.m. For more information, visit www.lloydlibrary.org or call (513)721-3707.