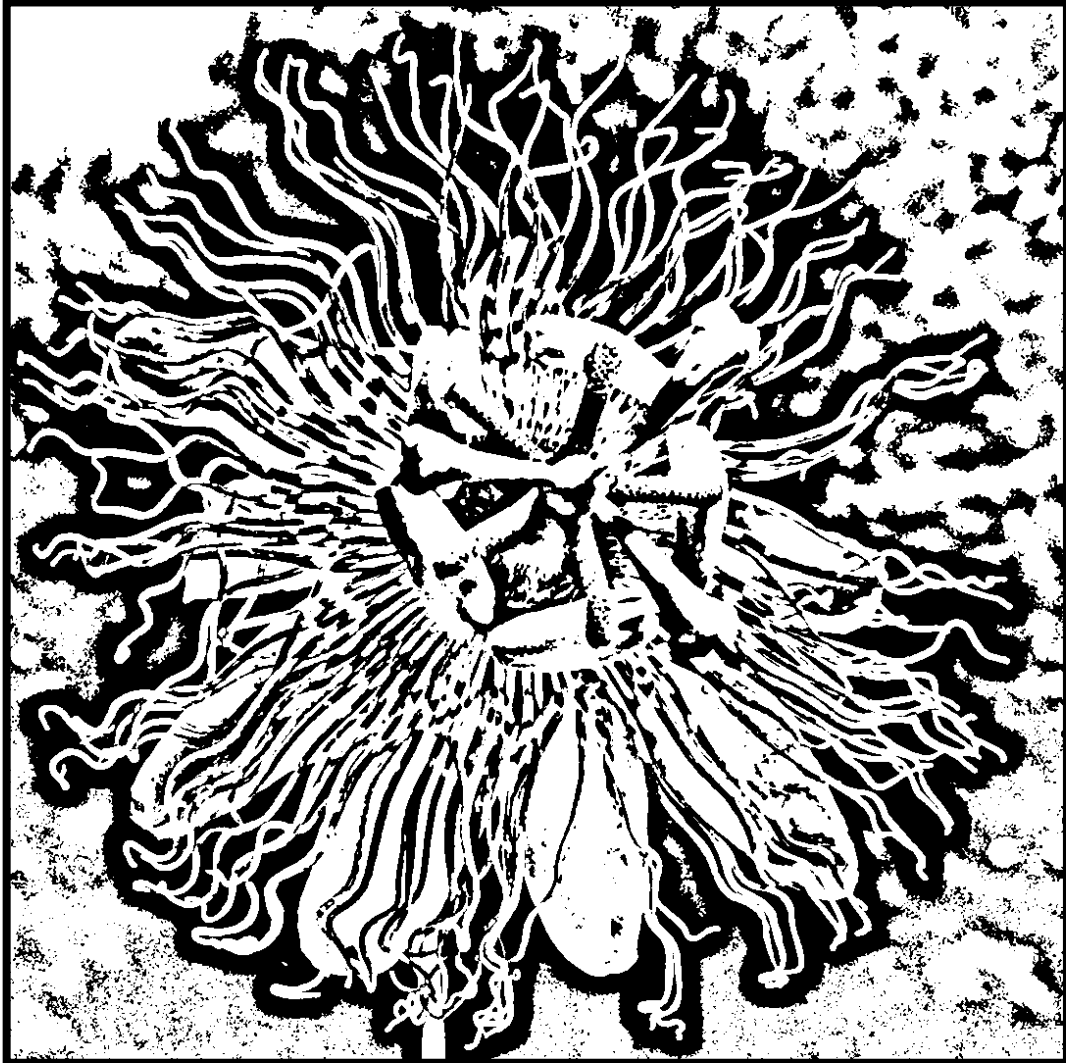


Wild Passion Flower



The **passion flower** (*Passiflora incarnata*) was chosen Tennessee's state wildflower in 1919 with a vote by school children.

It has been used by herbalists for hundreds of years in the Americas and Europe, with practitioners in the U.S. using it to treat many maladies including insomnia, Parkinson's Disease, seizures and convulsions, muscle cramps, high blood pressure, tetanus, shingles and as a pain reliever. It can be found on the observatory grounds along the tree

line in late summer. *Photo by Alex. Rockefeller*