

# San Francisco Orchid Society

## Newsletter

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The mission of the SFOS is to foster the culture and cultivation of orchids and to promote education of its members and the public about orchids. Our goals include: an exchange of information from exhibitions, publications, and the Internet, maintenance of a reference library, and participation in worldwide activities.

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### **SFOS Meeting:**

**Tues., Dec. 7<sup>th</sup>, 2010**

**AOS Judging: 7:00 p.m.**

**Skills Session: 7:05 p.m.**

**Meeting: 7:30 p.m.**

San Francisco County Fair Building,  
Golden Gate Park, 9th Avenue and  
Lincoln Way, San Francisco.

Plants submitted for American  
Orchid Society Judging must be  
entered between 6:30pm and  
7:00pm.

#### **Skill Session**

Marni Turkel, What Makes an  
Orchid an Orchid?

#### **Plant Opportunity Table**

Peter Lin

### **December Speaker**

**Peter Lin on The 3 A's of the Orchid World:  
Angraecum, Aerangis & Aeranthes**



Peter T. Lin will be presenting a talk on: The 3 A's of the Orchid World: Angraecum, Aerangis and Aeranthes. This fast paced PowerPoint presentation will showcase 3 of the main genera in the Angraecoid family of Orchids, as well as some of the lesser genera. Along with the species, we'll also take a look at some of the beautiful hybrids that have been made over the years.

Peter started growing orchids over 25 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 8 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again. He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country. You can view his website here: [www.diamondorchids.com](http://www.diamondorchids.com) He also has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on Flickr. You can view them by typing this address into the internet:

<http://www.flickr.com/photos/minicatt/collections/>

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, as well as in the house under fluorescent lights.

Peter will be providing the plants for this month's raffle table. There will be a nice selection, so be sure to buy your tickets! He will also bring a selection of orchids for sale.



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**2011 is almost here!**  
**Be the first to renew membership**  
**See Judy Bley at the membership desk or**  
**mail a check for \$25 to SFOS**  
**PO Box 27145**  
**San Francisco, CA 94127**

## **New Members**

SFOS welcomes the following new members:  
**Tyler Davenport**

## **Future Speakers**

January 2011 – Amy Jacobsen - Laelia purpurata:

Queen of the Brazilian Spring

February 2011 – Eric Hunt - Late Winter & Early Spring

Orchids in Southeastern Australia

March 2011 – Brenda Oviatt - Angraecoid Orchids -

Keeping a Piece of Nature Alive

April 2011 – Ken Jacobsen - Cymbidium Seedling Surprises

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**The Board of Directors Meeting was cancelled on 11-9-10, because a number of Board members were unable to attend and there was no pressing business to conduct.**

# AOS Awards

## **11/3/2010 - California Sierra Nevada - Sacramento**

• **Coelogyne kaliana 'Vistamont', AM 80 (prov)** species, Exhibited by Cindy Hill

• **Paphiopedilum sukhakulii var album 'Green River', FCC 90**

species, Exhibited by Lynn and Bob Wellenstein

• **Mycaranthes vanoverberghii 'Vistamont', CCM 82 & HCC 79**

species, Exhibited by Cindy Hill

## **11/6/2010 - Pacific Central - Orchid Society of California Show**

• **Odontoglossum crocidipterum 'Guido', CHM 81 (prov)** species, Exhibited by Steve Beckendorf

Pictures can be seen at the web pages and now on Facebook:

Pacific Central <http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

California Sierra Nevada <http://www.csnjc.org>

CSNJC on Facebook:

<http://www.facebook.com/home.php?#!/pages/California-Sierra-Nevada-Judging-Center/104769679585467>

# Peninsula Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale



Photo by Zoe Brown

Community Activities Building  
1400 Roosevelt Avenue  
Redwood City, CA  
Saturday, January 22, 2011  
Sunday, January 23, 2011  
10 am-5pm

Orchid Exhibits, Sales, Demonstrations and Seminars  
Admission: \$5 Adults  
\$3 Seniors, Disabled, and Children 12-16  
<http://penorchidsoc.org>  
The Peninsula Orchid Society is a 501(c)3 organization

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# Merry Christmas!

First Class

## SFOS Bulletin Board

*The Bulletin Board is a free service for SFOS members' orchid-related items. Send items by the 15th of the month to: 1361 Plum St, San Jose, CA 95110, or e-mail: services@ORCHIDesign.com. Include your name, phone number, and how long you want the item to run. We will also run items of interest from other orchid societies. All submissions will be reviewed and may be edited.*

## Upcoming Events

- **December 7, 2010, 7:30pm – SFOS General Meeting Peter Lin** -The 3 A's of the Orchid World: Angraecum, Aerangis, and Aeranthes
- **January 4, 2011, 7:30pm – SFOS General Meeting Amy Jacobsen** - Laelia purpurata: Queen of the Brazilian Spring
- **January 22nd and 23rd 10 am-5 pm: Peninsula Orchid Society annual Show** (See flyer)
- **January 29 - 30 – Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show** (See flyer)
- **February 5-6 – Sonoma Orchid Society Spring Show and sale** (See flyer)

## Refreshments **A-Ch**

SFOS members are encouraged to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at Monthly Meetings. If your last name falls within the letter range **A-Ch** please bring snacks such as fresh fruit, ice cream, crackers & cheese for the next meeting. About three dozen cookies, one cake, one to two pounds of fruit or cheeses, or one box of crackers is an appropriate amount. Remember to pick up your raffle ticket as one of the rewards of sharing — and good luck in the drawing!

## Change of address?

Send all address and e-mail changes to:  
**Judy Bley** / Membership Chairperson  
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Santa Cruz Orchid Society  
and Soquel High School  
FFA/ROP proudly present -

# 2011 Santa Cruz Orchid Show and Sale

Saturday, January 29th, 9 AM to 5PM  
Sunday, January 30th, 10 AM to 4 PM

At Soquel High School  
401 Old San Jose Road  
Soquel, California

*Laelia purpurata*  
var. *carnea*



*photo by Frank Drake*

**Free Admission**  
**Free Parking**

For more information, or to  
exhibit, call Santa Cruz Orchid  
Society at 831-278-1937, or  
Soquel High School FFA at  
831-429-3612

- Show featuring rare and beautiful orchids, judged by American Orchid Society
- Exotic indoor and outdoor orchids for purchase
- Cultural information and expert advice available
- Potting demonstrations
- Raffle





*Sonoma County Orchid Society*

invites you to our

**Annual Spring Show and Sale**

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*Waves  
of Orchids*

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**February 5-6, 2011**

**Sat 10am - 5pm**

**Sun 10am - 4pm**

**Admission \$7**

**Santa Rosa Veterans Building**  
1351 Maple Ave, Santa Rosa, CA  
(across from the Fairgrounds)

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