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SFOS Meeting

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The mission of the SFOS is to foster the culture and conservation 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.

July Speaker

Phyllis S. Prestia

Vice President - Cymbidium Society of America

Phyllis Prestia

**Tues. July 5,
2016**



**Tues. July 5, 2016
AOS Judging: 7:00
PM
Skills Session: 7:00
PM
Meeting: 7:30 PM**

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
6:30 pm and 7:00 pm.

Speaker

Phyllis Prestia
*OCA Tour of
Madagascar*

Skill Session

Debra Atwood

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**Plant Opportunity
Table**

Debra Atwood
of Napa Valley Orchids
will also bring plants to
sell



Phyllis S. Prestia is a retired educator and Middle School Principal. She received a Doctorate of Education at Rutgers University, where she also served as instructor in the graduate education program.

Originally from New Jersey, she moved to California with her husband to retire in the sunny, San Diego area and grow orchids. Her collection includes a variety of species and hybrids across several genera grown both in a small greenhouse and three outdoor growing areas under shade cloth.

In her orchid life she has been the President of the San Diego County Cymbidium Society and currently serves as the Vice President of the Cymbidium Society of America, as well as keeping active in several Southern California orchid societies. She is currently a probationary judge for the American Orchid Society.

Orchids of Madagascar

Phyllis spent nine days trekking through the rainforests in Madagascar. She will highlight the species she saw and photographed with an emphasis on Angraecoids.

As she also grows many of these species, she will review the culture for these orchids, including tips from her own successful experience growing them. Together with knowledge about growing conditions in these rainforests, hobbyists will gain a greater understanding of how to adapt their growing environments for success.

2016-2017 SFOS

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Dinner with the Speaker

Please join us in the parking lot in back of the SF County Fair Building at 5:30 PM sharp.

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Minutes of the SFOS Board Meeting

SFOS Board Meeting June 13, 2016

Present: Dave Hermeyer, Valerie Mountain, Jack Ryder, Tom Perlite, Jean Lee, Fred Schechter, Mary Gerritsen, John-Eric Otter, Florence Inserto, Frances Larose, Angelic Nguyen
Excused: Dennis Westler, Chris Mende, Claire Zvanski
The meeting started at 7:30.

I. Treasurer

A. Jack: May 31, 2016: Checking \$392.79, High Yield Savings \$86,684.13, Market Rate Savings \$1507.62. Jack has been receiving vendor checks from Angelic for Orchids in the Park. Jack presented the budget for fiscal year 2016 to the board. A motion was made to pass the budget as presented. The motion was seconded and passed.

II. Vice President

A. Mary: The speaker for July will be Phyllis Prestia, topic: OCA Tour of Madagascar. Debra Atwood of Napa Valley Orchids will run the Skill Session and provide the Opportunity Table. August speaker will be Ron Kaufman, topic: Orchids of Tropical America, Opportunity Table TBD. Ron will also have books for sale. The video made for last year's POE will be shown as the Skill Session. September speaker will be Ron Parsons, topic TBD. October speaker will be Cindy Hill, topic: Cindy's Favorites and How to Grow Them. November will be round table

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SFOS NEWSLETTER

July 2016

FEATURED ARTICLE

2016 Membership Directory

The new membership directory is now online on the SFOS website. All members with an email address in our records should have received instructions for login and password. If you have forgotten your password, you can still use the directory. Just go to the SFOS website and follow the instructions for forgotten password.

If there are errors, please contact Florence Inserto -

discussions; ideas for topics to be discussed are welcome. December will be the Holiday Party.

III. Membership

A. Florence: No report this month. Dave noted there was one renewal at the Plant Sale at the Park on Saturday. The roster is still not up to date. Jean will help with getting updated information for the AOS judges. Mary, Dave and Jean have offered to help get the roster organized and updated. New members need to be added to the newsletter distribution list too. Florence now has a new computer so she will be able to give Claire more assistance.

IV. POG (Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition)

A. Tom's report: Show Committee-The show committee has decided to call the new show the Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition. The committee will invite non-orchid vendors to participate in the show with at least 30% non-orchid vendors. These vendors will be selected nurseries and nursery and plant supply vendors. Invitation letters are being sent out to recruit vendors. A preliminary floor plan was presented and discussed and sent to the Cow Palace for their feedback. There will be a central landscaped exhibit where vendors will exhibit plants in a common exhibit. There will be another exhibit area for table top exhibits for smaller vendors, orchid societies, and individual exhibitors. AOS and ribbon judging will continue as in past shows. There will be a stage area for lectures and demonstrations, plant division, silent auction, plant doctor, plant hotel, and all of the features we have previously offered. We are planning an opening night VIP preview on Thursday, February 23rd. Sponsors- Lyngso has agreed to be a sponsor of the show, providing landscaping materials for the central exhibit. Metamorphosis Landscaping has agreed to assist with the central exhibit and also install a garden within the exhibit. Providers- Abbey Rents and Edlen Electric have been contacted and will provide their services at the show. Frances presented some preliminary logo ideas to the board, asking for input. The show committee wants the logo to incorporate the orchid and garden show concept.

V. Orchids in the PARK (OITP)

A. Angelic: There will be 14 vendors. Angelic has been setting up advertising for the show on Facebook and other social media sites. She has also done an interview on a local Vietnamese channel and will do another one on July 17th. She will be creating ads for SF Chronicle and SFGate. The Chronicle ads will run on July 16th, 21st and 22nd. SFGate ads will run from June 27th through July 23rd. A \$1.00 off discount for admission will be posted on the SFOS Facebook page, as well as Facebook pages for other orchid societies. There will be 3 email blasts sent out before the show. The demonstration schedule is being created. Volunteers for the show are still needed. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be set out at the July monthly meeting. Lisa Lee will be preparing the lunches for the vendors and volunteers. Angelic is asking for donations for the raffle, and will make an announcement in the newsletter asking members to bring in their plants for the display table.

VI. New Business

A. New Books for SFOS Library: Mary suggested getting some new books for the library and getting rid of some older books to make space for them. She would like suggestions from members for new titles. Some of the books that we sell at POE or OITP could also be included. Jean noted that many members may not know there is a library. Mary would like to put some books out on a table that are relevant to the speaker's topic, and be sure the light is on in the back hall where the library is located. John-Eric offered to help Chuck Chan with the library, and notes that the Cactus & Succulent Society also puts out books at their meetings. This will start next month with any books we have on orchids of Madagascar.

B. Discretionary Spending Authority Limit: A discussion was held about purchasing

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2016 Dues

(\$25 per year-Individual)
(\$40 per household-2 or
more- per year)

Dues may be payable at
any SFOS meeting,
or go the Web

site www.orchidsanfrancisco.org

and use Pay Pal or mail
to

SFOS- Membership
PO Box 27145
SF, CA 94127-0145
• \$25/year or \$40/year
(with Email Newsletter
Option)

• \$45/year individual
(with USPS Mail
Newsletter Option)

Thank you!

Welcome New Members

Helen V. Gourley

Please welcome our
new members at your
earliest opportunity.

NOTICE TO BUSINESS MEMBERS OF THE SFOS

Member Orchid Related
Businesses in our
Roster are out of date.

All current SFOS
members who wish to
have their Orchid
Related Businesses
listed need to contact
membership. See
contact information
above or at end of this
newsletter.

items for the SFOS between board meetings that don't fit into a specific budget category, and how much money should be allowed for such purchases. Mary had wanted to purchase an order of clippers to sell at OITP, and they needed to be purchased before the next board meeting. There was no information in the current bylaws for guidance, and the society does not have a petty cash fund for such expenses. A motion was made that any expenditure up to \$300.00 that does not fit into any specific budget category requires preliminary approval by at least 3 board members, including either the President or the Treasurer, and will be included in the budget report at the following board meeting. The motion was seconded and passed.

C. Refreshment Table: Jean announced that new member Jashlyn Girard has agreed to take over the refreshment table for the monthly meetings.

D. Renewal of POGE Contract with Frances Larose: Dave noted the Frances's contract had expired and needed to be renewed. The new contract is for \$38,418.00 and represents a 3% increase over last year. A motion was made to accept the new contract for the 2017 POGE. The motion was seconded and passed. The meeting was adjourned at 9:30.

Respectfully Submitted,

Valerie Mountain

SFOS Bulletin Board

The Bulletin Board is a free service for SFOS members' orchid related items. Send items by the 15th of the month by email to: stanford@rkmediasolutions.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.



Orchids in the Park
San Francisco Orchid Society's Summer Show & Sale
July 23 & 24, 2016 • 10 am - 5 pm

San Francisco County Fair Building
(Hall of Flowers) 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way
Golden Gate Park - San Francisco

Demonstrations/Raffle

Admission:
\$5, Seniors \$4,
under 16 free.

www.orchidsanfrancisco.org

The poster features a vibrant purple orchid flower in the lower-left corner against a black background. The text is white and centered, providing details for the 'Orchids in the Park' event, including dates, times, location, and admission information.

Refreshments

J - P

SFOS members are encouraged to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at Monthly Meetings. If your last name falls within the letter range J - P, please bring snacks such as fresh fruit, 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!



AOS Awards

AOS Awards

American Orchid Society
Pacific Judging Center
Web

site: <http://www.paccentr.aljc.org/>

Please check the Web site for the most recent awards.

AOS Awards from the
Central Valley of
California and Northern
Nevada

<http://www.csnjc.org>



Change of Address

Upcoming Events

July 5, 2016 7:30pm - SFOS General Meeting

Main Speaker - Phyllis S. Prestia

Subject: OCA Tour of Madagascar

Skill Session - Debra Atwood of Napa Valley Orchids

July 8-10, 2016, 36th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Summer Open House

Friday & Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM; Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM Held at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, 1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 Guest Author: Dr. Harold Koopowitz- newly minted fiction writer! Celebrating the Exotic and Fragrant Beauties of Summer: The large flowered Cattleyas (Laelias) of Brazil, the Stanhopeas and Encyclias of Central and South America, and many other genera. Plus a special emphasis on African orchids. Questions? Call us at (800) 553-3387, e-mail us at sboe@sborchid.com, or visit www.sborchid.com.

July 23 and 24, 2016 Orchids in the Park Show and Sale 10 am – 5 pm at the Hall of Flowers, County Fair Building (9th Ave. & Lincoln Way) in Golden Gate Park Local & International Vendors - Demonstrations - Raffle. Admission: \$5, Seniors \$4, under 16 free.

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Saturday, July 30, 2016 California Sierra Nevada Speaker's Day 9AM -

5PM Odd Fellows Hall 1831 Howe Ave (at Alta Arden) Sacramento, CA 95825 Tickets in advance are available from Susan Wedegaertner (sgwede@gmail.com) for \$10 for affiliated societies or AOS members, at the door it's \$30. Carrie Raven-Riemann, of orchidPhile, will talk about the 2016 Taiwanese Orchid Show and breeding lines presently active in Taiwan. Peter T. Lin of Diamond Orchids will talk about Cattleyas coccinea and wittigiana and have his breeding lines for sale. A new face to the west coast is Dotty Woodson, PhD from Texas A&M's AgriLife Extension program. She has been asked to talk about pest management, so if you want to know how to kill thrips, plan to attend.

November 5 & 6, 2016 58th Annual Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open

House Saturday 8 AM to 5 PM; Sunday 9 AM to 4 PM Held at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, 1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA 93111 www.sborchid.com

November 19 and 20, 2016 Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Show and

Sale Saturday 10 AM to 5 PM; Sunday, 10 AM to 3:30 PM Fleischman Auditorium, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History (just north of the Old Mission) Laelia anceps displayed at their peak diversity of color. Fall-blooming cymbidium and cattleya species. AOS and CSA judging. Select vendors.

www.sborchid.com

Speakers

August 2016: Ron Kaufman (Founding Director of the Orchid Conservation Alliance) Topic: Orchids of Tropical America

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Newsletter Items

The SFOS Newsletter welcomes news, articles, events, and any other items of interest to members. Send items by the 15th of the month in an email to Stanford Stapleton at:
stanford@rkmediasolutions.com

Please include your name at the beginning or end of your text. All submissions will be reviewed and may be edited due to space limitations. Thank you!
Sincerely,
San Francisco Orchid Society



Amazon Smile - OCA



Any

purchases you make on Amazon through Amazon Smile yields an 0.5% donation to the **Orchid Conservation Alliance**.
Just go to

Ron will have books for sale at this meeting.

September 2016: Ron Parsons Topic: TBD

October 2016: Cindy Hill Topic: Cindy's Favorites and How to Grow Them

November 2016: Round Table Discussions

December 2016: Holiday Party

Notices

Wear Your Name Badge

The board voted to provide a special raffle ticket to members when they pick up and wear their name tags at our meetings. A drawing for a plant from the opportunity table will be limited to this and will immediately follow the choice by the person who did the Skill Session and the winner from the Show and Tell table. So, wearing your name tag will get you an early selection from the opportunity table.

Your name tag will be available at the membership table.

Member's Corner

SFOS Monthly Show and Tell Table

We want to thank our members who bring in their plants for display at the monthly meetings. This is a great viewing experience for all and a great way to learn about new plants we might want to try to grow in the future for ourselves.

But did you know that you can bring in a blooming plant that you might not be certain about the name or type and have our group of experts help identify your plant? The more you know, the better your chance of success. Thank you for participating and we'll see you and your plants at the next monthly meeting.
The Board

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Announcements

On-line Membership Roster

We have been updating our membership lists, and hopefully the on line roster is up to date too. If you want to check your information, or look up someone's contact information, go to www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/member/login.php
If you have forgotten your password there is a link to recover your password. If you have an orchid related business (e.g. nursery, decorating, landscaping, flower arranging, art, ceramics, photography etc.) and would like it listed in our business listing, please contact membership:
czvanski@hotmail.com or flojo1337@yahoo.com

<https://smile.amazon.com>

and follow the links to have your purchases credit the OCA. There is no extra cost to you. Make sure you designate OCA.

Notes from the Prez

Like other types of flowers, not all orchids are fragrant. For orchids which are fragrant, the subjective strength of the scent varies greatly from person to person. And two people may describe the scent of the same orchid very differently – one may find it fruity, while the other describes it as rose like. Some orchids have an easily identified scent. For example, *Maxillaria tenuifolia* smells exactly like coconut, and *Encyclia citrina* smells very much like lemon. Chemical analysis of a large number of orchid species shows that there are dozens of different fragrant compounds which orchids produce, and any particular species may produce several of them. So it's no wonder that there's such a wide range of fragrances in orchids!

But why are orchid flowers fragrant, anyway? The answer is simple: not to please us, but to please their pollinators. Orchids are not wind pollinated, but rely on attracting very specific pollinators – mainly bees, birds, moths, and other insects. There are roughly 30,000 known species of orchids of every color, size, and shape. They have evolved an amazing diversity of visual and olfactory schemes to attract their pollinators. For some orchid species, the scent serves to attract birds or moths to nectar inside the flower. For many other species, scent attracts male euglossine bees to the flower. The flowers offer no food; instead the bees collect the scent compounds on their hind legs as a sex attractant. And not all orchid scents are “nice” either. Some species (notably many *Bulbophyllums*) are pollinated by flies or beetles, and smell like rotting flesh.

Many orchids are fragrant only at certain times of the day, which typically corresponds to when its pollinator is likely to be nearby. For example, most *Angraecums* are fragrant only at night, when their nocturnal moth pollinators are present. Scent may also be affected by light and temperature. Winter blooming Australian *Dendrobiums* may have little or no scent on a cold morning, but as soon as the temperature rises, the odor can be intoxicating.

Dave Hermeyer

President

San Francisco Orchid Society



Maxillaria tenuifolia - Smells like coconut

Volunteers Wanted for Orchids in the Park 2016

Volunteer Job Descriptions for the Orchids in the Park *The SFOS would like you to volunteer!*

There are a range of volunteer positions at the show you can fill to match your skills and physical abilities. You will get to preview the show if you volunteer for set up. For whatever position you volunteer, you be able to meet and talk with great orchid growers, both local and from around the world. You can sign up online with our event at Volunteer Spot

<http://vols.pt/9nDE34> . As a thank-you, you will receive a "Show Bucks" coupon, which can be used as a \$5 credit towards buying plants at the show. See you at Orchids In The Park!

How to use Volunteer Spot:

1. Go to the Volunteer Spot page for Orchids in the Park: <http://vols.pt/9nDE34>
2. Enter your email address to register, and click the "Next" box.
3. Find the day and position that interests you the most, click the "Sign Up" box, and enter the info requested.

It's that easy!

You can add to your volunteer positions or view, edit, or delete them at any time. You'll receive an email notice for what positions you've signed up for, and a few days before the event you'll get a reminder email.

Thank you for volunteering! The SFOS appreciates your commitment to making our show a success!

If you would like more information for any of the positions, please contact Dave Hermeyer: dave@hermeyer.us

Before the show: Bulletin boards: Are you computer talented? We really need someone to help post the information about the show on computer billboards, event sites, newspapers, and radio stations. Please contact Angelic Nguyen angelic@orchidesign.com as soon as possible if you would like to help with this very important job of promoting the show.

At the show: Help us put on our show and make it a success. Most shifts are 3 or 4 hours, but please feel free to volunteer for more than one shift. Shifts on Friday are 9-noon, noon-3:30, and 3:30-7. On Saturday and Sunday shifts are 10-1:30, and 1:30-5. On Sunday after the show, take down is 5 to about 7. Lunch is served on all three days to volunteers, and light snacks and beverages will also be available. If you would like to bring friends or a significant other to help out, that would be great! Volunteers do not need to be SFOS members.

Friday jobs:

Set up: Put up the tables for the exhibits and vendors, and cover them with black plastic table covering. This is a physical job and requires some lifting, moving, standing and walking. (Friday 9-noon, noon-3:30, and 3:30-7)

Friday night closing: Make sure that the Park Patrol arrives, lowers the roll-up door, and secures the building before leaving. (Friday 6-8 pm)

Set up the exhibit: Set up the display of flowering plants for the show. This job requires some lifting, standing and walking. (Friday 1-6)

Saturday and Sunday Jobs

Cashiers: Greet people as they come in the door to the show. Take admissions, and make change. Hand each person a door prize drawing slip to fill out. The door prize will be given out at the end of the show. (door prize will be announced and on display at the show). This is a sit down job. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

SFOS Table: At this table, volunteers will answer questions about SFOS membership, hand out cards to people to encourage them to come to show, sell books, T-shirts and other materials the society will have available for the show. Much of this job can be done sitting down. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

Raffle Table: Sell tickets for raffles. There will also be raffle tickets for blooming orchids that will be given away at several times during the show. There will also be a raffle at the end of the show for gift baskets (orchid arrangements, books, materials, t-shirt). Much of this job can be done sitting down. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

Plant Hotel: Accept and temporarily store plants from people who have purchased plants at the show so they can continue shopping. This is an up and down job, some light lifting required. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

Security: We need people to stand at the exits (front, back and side door) and check purchases for "dots" to make sure that people have paid for their plants. This job requires some standing, although you can sit down if it is not busy. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

Orchid Concierge: This is a newly created position this year to help people with their purchases. Transport orchids from the Plant Hotel out to the curb, and wait for the purchaser to come by with their car for pick up. This job will require light lifting, standing, and walking in and out of the building. Parking has been identified as one of the major issues with the show, and we are trying to be creative to help people to come to the show and to purchase orchids. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

Floater: This job has no real definition - basically you will just help out wherever needed. If it is crowded, more people may be needed for certain jobs, or a volunteer might not show up. (Saturday and Sunday 10-1:30, and 1:30-5)

After show is over:

Take Down: Remove the table coverings, take down the tables, load tables on the

dollies, load the truck, and clean up. This is a physical job, requiring some lifting, standing, and walking around. (Sunday after the show 5-7)

Prepare your Plants for Orchids In The Park

The San Francisco Orchid Society will put together a summer blooming orchid display at Orchids in the Park. Please start grooming your plants to show them at Orchids In The Park. Contact Angelic@orchidesign.com if you would like to help arrange the SFOS display Area on Friday July 22 from noon to 7 pm. Please send Angelic your show plant list and she will make unique, nice plant tags for them.

Thank you for your participation!

MEMBER PLANT SALES ORCHIDS IN THE PARK

Help your Society and yourself by selling your excess plants at the Member Plant Sales table. Make space for your new orchids. Just inform Kay of your intent to bring plants and mark each sale plant with its name, your code and price, i.e., *Maxillaria marginata* KK-1 \$10.00, and give Kay a master list. Help to sell plants for at least 3 hours. You get 75% of the price. SFOS gets 25% and pays the sales tax. You may bring plants anytime during the event, but Friday or early on Saturday is best. If you have questions, ask Kay at a meeting or contact her at kayklumb@gmail.com or 415 648-8271.

Amazon Smile Program Donates to the Orchid Conservation Alliance

The **Orchid Conservation Alliance** has been set up to be a recipient organization for the Amazon Smile program. Any purchases you make on Amazon through Amazon Smile yields a 0.5% donation to the OCA. Just go to <https://smile.amazon.com> and follow the links to have your purchases credit the OCA. There is no extra cost to you, and you will be helping The Orchid Conservation Alliance raise money to preserve orchid habitat in the Andes. Thank you!

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center

The California Sierra Nevada Judging Center has its June 2016 awards online for your enjoyment. <http://www.csnjc.org>

Kathy Barrett

Interested in a specific topic or speaker or skill session?

SFOS members are welcome to make suggestions for speakers or topics for our meetings, and also for our skill sessions before the meetings. Please send your suggestions to Mary Gerritsen meg570@comcast.net



1% for Orchid Conservation Update 31

1. Orchid Lovers of Trinidad and Tobago joins Orchid Conservation Coalition <https://sites.google.com/site/orchidloverstt/home>

The Orchid Lovers of Trinidad and Tobago was established in 2015 by a group of local orchid enthusiasts with the common goal of creating an organization that is fun, friendly, community minded and welcoming to all. MISSION STATEMENT: To advance and increase an awareness of orchid conservation, education and camaraderie to its members and the public, through shows, lectures and collaborative programmes and projects.

2. Orchid-gami <http://northamericanorchidcenter.org/category/orchid-gami/>

The United States Botanic Garden is working with the North American Orchid Conservation Center (NAOCC) to develop punch-out models of our native orchids for use in a variety of educational activities. The models are colorful and fun and designed to capture the imaginations of kids of all ages. They also provide information about the conservation status and ecology of the orchid and link to the NAOCC and Go Orchids web sites. We are developing 25 of these punch-out models that represent orchids from across North America and plan on releasing them in 2016.

We are excited to share this prototype of our first model, the Showy Lady's Slipper (*Cypripedium reginae*). This model is a full-color, two-sided pdf file that can be downloaded here and printed at home. Give orchid-gami a try and let us know what you think. Email NAOCC@si.edu us your comments and suggestions, and let us know if you have a favorite orchid to include in this project.

For the download of the prototype *Cypripedium reginae*:
<http://northamericanorchidcenter.org/category/orchid-gami/>

3. Orchid Conservation Grants upcoming Deadlines

American Orchid Society Conservation Grants: August 1
<http://www.aos.org/Default.aspx?id=50>

New Hampshire Orchid Society Conservation Grants: Ongoing
<http://www.nhorchids.org/page-1579475>

San Francisco Orchid Society Conservation Grants: August 1
<http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/conservation.html>

San Diego Orchid Society Conservation Grant: September 1
<http://www.sdorchids.com/ConsFunding.html>

Mark Sullivan

Administrator
1% for Orchid Conservation
Orchid Conservation Coalition
<http://www.orchidconservationcoalition.org/>
AOS Conservation Committee Member

President for the San Francisco Orchid Society Still Sought

The Society still has not fulfilled its need for a President for the term June 2016 - June 2017. Not only is it awkward and inconvenient for the board to do its work, but as a 501c3 my understanding is that the society has a legal responsibility to fill the positions to maintain its status as a non profit. I am currently investigating and asking about this. Nevertheless, with over 200 members it would be wonderful to have someone fill the position for the society. Please contact either myself Claire Zvanski, Lynne Murrell or Dave Hermeyer.

Thank you!
George McRae

Home and greenhouse for sale in Vista, CA

Guy Wrinkle passed away 3 years ago and for the last year and a half, his wife has been trying to sell the property. Anyone interested in an acre with a 3000 + sq ft greenhouse and shade house with RO system for the greenhouse?

The address is 2140 Warmlands Ave., Vista, Ca. 92084. Google that and the listing will appear.

Jacque Wrinkle

310-256-1726



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Next shipments to the USA 2016

We would like to let you know that we will be at the following show in the USA this year.

Jul. 23-24. San Francisco Orchid Society "**Orchids in the Park**" Show and Sale - San Francisco. Deadline for preorders: July 06.

If you would like to order some of our plants we will be happy to send. If is not possible for you receive at some of these shows we can send by post from the show to your address.

You can download our updated Price List 2016:

<http://www.ecuagenera.com/epages/whitelabel4.sf/?ObjectPath=/Shops/ecuagenera/Categories/%22Price%20List%22>

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Commercial Greenhouse Space for Rent in Bolinas at California Orchids

515 Aspen Rd. 3318 square feet, \$1100.00/month plus % of utilities

-Expanded metal benches, overhead watering system

-Under bench misting system

-Hot water heat under bench + Back up heater

-Automatic Ridge vent

Contact Mary at California Orchids

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Special Events



The 36th Annual
Santa Barbara Orchid Estate

**SUMMER
OPEN
HOUSE**

JULY 8-10, 2016

S. B. O. E. SUMMER OPEN HOUSE "UNEXPECTED AFRICA"

Open House Highlights:
 - Exotic and unusual plants
 - Selling of seedlings
 - Live demonstrations of plant care and orchid care
 - Live Plant & Seedling Auctions
 - Programs, Seminars, Shows & More

The Exotic Beauties of Summer

JULY 8 - 10, 2016
 Friday, Sunday 9AM-5PM & Sunday 10AM-4PM
AT SANTA BARBARA ORCHID ESTATE
 1250 ORCHID DRIVE, SANTA BARBARA, CA 93101
 (805) 867-1104 - (805) 868-0831 (TDD)

PLEASE NOTE: There will be NO Vendor Fees or Flat Fees. Showgrounds this summer.

SBOE Fall Open House November 5-6, 2016
 FB International Orchid Show March 17-18, 2017

Specials
 "World Expressions" will be giving copies of his book, "Unusual Orchids: Discover & Grow" and in their own gardens "Orchid Lovers" all kind growers to create the David Dwyer Production Fund. David will give a talk, "South Africa: Discover New Orchids, to orchid and other plants" at a joint meeting of the local SO and LANSOC. Friday May 20, 8:30 am, LANSOC, Friday May 20 at Trinity Lutheran Church, 2811 La Granda St, Santa Barbara.

African Orchid Display
 "Discover a world of exotic and colorful orchids from Africa and beyond. Includes a special presentation on the African orchid market and how to grow your own African orchids." - David Dwyer

Event Information:
 Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
 1250 Orchid Drive
 Santa Barbara, CA 93101
ADDRESS SERVICE REQUESTED

1-800-553-3387 - WWW.SBORCHID.COM

Orchids in the Park
 San Francisco Orchid Society's Summer Show & Sale
 July 23 & 24, 2016 10 am - 5 pm

San Francisco County Fair Building
 (Hall of Flowers) 9th Ave. & Lincoln Way
 Golden Gate Park - San Francisco

Demonstrations/Raffle
 Admission: \$5, Seniors \$4, under 16 free.
www.orchidsanfrancisco.org

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- City College of San Francisco
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Docents Needed at the Conservatory of Flowers



Comprehensive training program prepares new volunteers to lead tours for adults or children. The Conservatory welcomes adult volunteers of all experience levels.

Jungle Guides introduce elementary school students to the wonders of the rainforest.

Docents educate adult visitors about the Conservatory's fascinating collection of tropical plants and San Francisco's stunning historic greenhouse.



Training Program

The training program includes gallery tours, lectures, and one-on one sessions with mentors. Training will be held Thursdays from 1:00 – 4:00 p.m. from July 14th through August 25th.

Shared Commitment

Just like the Conservatory's plants, the volunteer program relies on regular watering and feeding. That's why we ask all volunteers to commit to two shifts per month for at least one year. In return, the Conservatory offers educational and social opportunities, free passes and discounts, and an engaging, flexible environment.



To register for the training, contact:

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