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RM-336 Pot Apricot Sands 'Fire Brand' AM_AOS
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SFOS Meeting

**Tues. Jan 3,
2017**

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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.

January Speaker

Ron Midgett

American Orchid Society Accredited
Judge,
Orchid grower/hybridizer, & owner of New
Earth Orchids

Ron Midgett began growing orchids in 1969 in the orchid-rich environment of Southern California. Since then, he has grown orchids in many different regions of the US and in the Caribbean for 3 years. Currently, he resides in Santa Fe, New Mexico. He is a breeder with an emphasis on Cattleyas, Paphiopedilums, and Oncidinae. Several cultivars from his crosses have received AOS awards.

In 1990, Ron founded the New England Orchid Company in Franklin, MA. In 2003, he moved his orchid business to New Jersey and changed the name to New Earth Orchid Co., aka New Earth Orchids. In 2010, New Earth Orchids was moved to Santa Fe, NM.

In addition to Ron's activities in the orchid business, he has been very active in the local orchid societies wherever he lived. This includes serving as an officer, chairing orchid shows, and running the New England Orchid Fair for 3 years. Before leaving New Jersey, Ron founded the Jersey Highlands Orchid Society.

Ron is an accredited AOS judge currently serving in the Rocky Mountain Region. He has served as chairperson for AOS judging for the 2011 and 2012 New Mexico Orchid Guild Shows. In 2011, Ron was invited to participate in judging the Taiwan International Orchid Show.

Ron has authored articles published in Orchids and most recently in the Orchid Digest. He was given the prestigious Ernest Heatherington award from the Orchid Digest for his article, "Beyond Sc. Beaufort—A 20 Year Odyssey in Cattleya Breeding". Ron feels a special honor in receiving this award because Ernest was one of his



**Tues. Jan 3,
2017**

**AOS Judging:
7pm**

**Meeting for
POGE 2017
Volunteer
Chairs: 7pm**

**General
Meeting:
7:30pm**

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
Ron Midgett**

*Beyond Sc.
Beaufort*

- *A 25 year
Odyssey in*

first mentors.

Members interested in preorders can make selections from New Earth Orchid's website. There will be a 10% discount on pre-orders, with pick up and payment at the January meeting.

Website: <http://www.newearthorchids.com>

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Pot. Jim's Gold 'Diane' - photo R. Midgett

*Cattleya
Breeding*

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RM-1020 Pot January's Diamond
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***Beyond Sc. Beaufort -
A 25 Year Odyssey in Cattleya
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**2017
Membership
Directory**

The new
membership
directory is now
online on the SFOS
website. All
members with an



Pot. Apricot Sands 'Outstanding' AM/AOS - photo R. Midgett

This program is based on Ron's 2012 award winning article in the Orchid Digest. It chronicles the efforts to produce colorful, compact sized Cattleyas. The program discusses the reasons for the choices of parents and presents the results of many of our crosses including the most recent to bloom.

Dinner with the Speaker

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

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SFOS Board Meeting

The SFOS Board Meeting originally planned for December 12, 2016 was cancelled.

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 - flojo1337@yahoo.com or

Claire Zvanski: [\(415\) 341-3085](tel:4153413085)
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2017 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!

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: jharrisofs@gmail.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

January 3, 2017

SFOS General Meeting

Speaker: Ron Midgett

Talk: Beyond Sc Beaufort - A 25 Year Odyssey in Cattleya Breeding

Attention All Volunteer Chairs:

Two Volunteer Chair Meetings are scheduled for 7:00 pm (in lieu of the Skill Sessions) prior to the General meetings in January and February. The meetings will highlight the change of location and provide detailed information for the Chairs and their volunteers.

Essential Meetings for All Volunteer Chairs (please attend at least one):

Tuesday, Jan. 3 @ 7:00 pm

Tuesday, Feb. 7 @ 7:00 pm

Note: We are still in NEED of a Book Selling Volunteer Chair.

January 20, 2017

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

Annual Collector's Auction Fundraiser

Date & Time: Friday January 20, 2017

Registration & Preview 6:30-7:00 PM

Auction starts promptly at 7:00 PM

Location: San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA.

Approximately 150 entries consisting of Cymbidiums and their

Welcome New Members

William Hiland

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.

Refreshments

J - M

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 - M**, please bring snacks such as fresh fruit, crackers & cheese for the next meeting. About

companions will be available for bidding. Absentee bids accepted. No Buyers Premium!

Shipping within USA 'ONLY' and excludes Hawaii.

Auction catalog will be available after January 9, 2017 at:
www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com

Auction entry photos will be added as they come in and may be browsed at:

<http://s489.photobucket.com/user/goldcoastcymgrowers/library/GCCG%202017%20Auction?sort=4&postlogin=true&page=1>

For more info contact: Richard Mangan at: mangasz@att.net

February 10 – 12, 2017
Malihini Orchid Society 2017 Show & Sale

Date & Time:

Friday Feb. 10 6pm–9pm

Sat. Feb. 11 10am–6pm

Sun. Feb. 12 10am–5pm

Location: Main Street – Cupertino

19459 Stevens Creek Blvd, Space #19369

Cupertino, CA 95014

(next to Eureka Restaurant, between N. Tantau Ave. & N. Wolfe Road)

FREE ADMISSION

AOS and CSA Judged Show

There will be displays, lectures

and demonstrations on orchids.

Special purchased orchids will

also be on sale

More information at: www.malihini.org

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.paccentraljc.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

Send all address and e-mail changes



Dracula orchid photographed at the Reserve

February 24, 2017

Orchid Conservation Alliance

Orchid Habitat Benefit Dinner To Expand the Dracula Reserve

Speaker: Lou Jost

Talk: Discovering, Studying, Conserving Ecuador's Orchids

For an evening of great company, delicious food, a private tour of the conservatory, a silent auction, and a most excellent talk by Lou Jost, founder of Fundacion Ecominga. See the OCA website for details and tickets.

<http://orchidconservationalliance.com/oca-benefit-dinner>

Proceeds go towards the expansion of the new Dracula Reserve in northwestern Ecuador recently founded by the Orchid Conservation Alliance, the Rainforest Trust, the University of Basel and Fundacion Eco-Minga. Tickets must be purchased in advance.

Tickets will not be available at the POGÉ as the number of attendees must be provided to the caterer BEFORE the POGÉ begins!

Mary Gerritsen will also have a limited number of tickets for sale at the January and February SFOS meetings. Tickets are \$115 and

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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 Jeff Harris at:
jharrisofsf@gmail.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



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include dinner, the lecture, wine, and a private tour of the conservatory. Approximately \$50 of the dinner cost will be a tax deductible donation. There will also be a silent auction with some great items to bid on. **Support this very worthwhile project!**

Date & Time: February 24, 6-10 pm

Location: Conservatory of Flowers,
100 John F. Kennedy Dr., San Francisco, CA 94118

Tickets: \$115

Purchase before February 14, 2017 via:

<http://orchidconservationalliance.com/oca-benefit-dinner>

Tickets are limited and MUST be purchased in advance.



March 17-19, 2017

71st Santa Barbara International Orchid Show (SBIOS):
"Orchids Mystique"

Dates & times: Friday - Sunday 9AM to 5PM.

Location: Earl Warren Show Grounds: Highway 101 and Las Positas Road.

Contact information: <https://sborchidshow.com/>
sborchidshow@gmail.com

P.O. Box 62154, Santa Barbara, CA 93160

March 18, 2017

The Annual Cymbidium Society of America Cymbidium Congress

The Congress will be held concurrently with the SBIOS event including lectures, banquet, and an auction.

April 21-23, 2017

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show & Sale

Dates & Times:



Any

purchases you make on Amazon through Amazon Smile yields an 0.5% donation to the **Orchid Conservation Alliance**. 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. Make sure you designate OCA.

Set-up and Plant entry Friday 10:00AM – 6PM
CSA and AOS judging Friday at 7PM
Show and Sale open to the public Saturday and Sunday 10AM to 4PM
Location: 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA
For information contact Sylvia Darr, Show Chair: syldarr@gmail.com

Speakers

January 2017: Ron Midgett - Beyond Sc. Beaufort: A 25 Year Odyssey in Cattleya Breeding

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

2017 Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition

Where: Hall of Flowers, 9th Avenue at Lincoln Way

When: Friday, February 24, 2017 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Saturday, February 25, 2017 9:00 am to 6:00 pm
Sunday, February 26, 2017 10:00 am to 5:00 pm

The Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition will be held at the Hall of Flowers in Golden Gate Park on February 24-26, 2017. We will use the entire facility, including a tent in the Gallery Courtyard. We will have commercial vendors, exhibits, AOS and ribbon judging, demonstrations, great food, and much, much more.

We will need volunteer help from our members for the usual activities including setup and tear down, security, plant hotel, hospitality, ribbon judging and more. If you would like to help, please use the link below to signup:

<https://signup.com/client/invitation/6775657374/1732126/false#!1732126/false/false>

San Francisco Orchid Society 2017 Pacific Orchid and Garden Exposition

<u>Date</u>	<u>Show Schedule Time</u>	<u>Description</u>
Wednesday, February 22nd Setup & Plant Entry	10:00 am - 9:00 pm	Vendor
Thursday, February 23rd Sales Area Setup	8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Vendor
Setup	8:00 am – 5:00 pm	Exhibit Area
Closes for Judging	3:00 pm	Plant Entry
		AOS & CSA
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Judging	5:00 pm	Plant Entry
Closes for		Ribbon
Judging	5:00 pm - 6:00 pm	Judges'
Dinner	6:00 pm – 10:00	
pm Ribbon/Trophy Judging		
Friday, February 24th	7:00 am - 9:00 am	Booth
Stocking	9:00 am - 2:00 pm	Community
Education Program	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Open to the
Public & Tour Groups		
Saturday, February 25th	7:00 am - 9:00 am	Booth
Restocking	9:00 am - 6:00 pm	Open to the
Public		
Sunday, February 26th	8:00 am - 10:00 am	Booth
Restocking	10:00 am - 5:00 pm	Open to the
Public	6:00 pm - 10:00 pm	Breakdown

Ribbon Judging Volunteers Needed for POGE 2017

Ribbon judging for the Pacific Orchid & Garden Exposition will be held on Thursday evening, February 23. Volunteers must arrive no later than 5:30PM in order to start the judging process promptly at 6:00PM. Ribbon judges are also welcome to attend the judge's dinner starting at 5:00PM.

Ribbon judging is both fun and educational, and an important element of our show. Anyone can do it, less experienced folks will be assigned to work with more experienced judges, so no previous experience is necessary. In addition to judges, we'll also need people for each team to serve as the clerk to manage the team's judging book and record the team's decisions. The clerk role is critical to keeping the judging process organized and efficient.

If you are interested in volunteering, please send me an e-mail at rnorris.sf@gmail.com. Please let me know in your message if you have any particular area of expertise or interest (dendrobium,

cymbidium, etc.), and if you have any preference on being a judge or a clerk. As much as possible I will try to match you with your area of interest.

In addition to the team judges and clerks, I'm also looking for one individual to serve as the master clerk. This position stays at the judging desk and records all the decisions of the teams as they are submitted. To be effective, the individual in this role should have strong organizational skills, clear hand writing, and preferably previous experience as a ribbon judge. This position is excellent for someone who wants to participate but doesn't want to do any walking around the show.

Thanks!
Ron Norris
POGE 2017 Ribbon Judging Chair

Plant Entry and SFOS Display at POGE

Plants for competition at the 2017 Pacific Orchid & Garden Exposition may be entered at the Hall of Flowers on Wednesday February 22nd from 12 noon to 9:00pm, and Thursday February 23rd from 8:00am to 3:00pm.

The SF Orchid Society will have a table top display at the show, which will be coordinated and assembled by Ron Norris & Jason Douglass. Members are invited to bring in blooming plants to include in the display. Plants may be dropped off at the hours listed above. However, the display will be assembled on Thursday mid-day, so any plants for the display should be at the Hall of Flowers before 12 noon on Thursday.

Any questions can be directed to Ron & Jason at rnorris.sf@gmail.com.

Member Plant Sales at POGE 2017

POGE 2017 is right around the corner and here are the 'how to' rules for submitting plants for sales at the member plant sales area. Please take the time to read these notes and pieces of information. There are a few things that are slightly different from last year.

If you intend to sell your plants at POGE you must volunteer at least one 3-hour shift in the area at a time *when we need help*. The key issue is **WHEN WE NEED HELP**. That time can be split into segments depending on just how busy it is at a given time. If you don't help the sales area for a shift, we won't put your plants out for

sales. Please see me for any special circumstances or for a determination of sales needs for staffing assignments.

You don't have to be an expert about orchids. It is really a nice place to meet fellow orchid enthusiasts and you have the added bonus of really seeing first-hand the great plants that are brought in. You can beat the crowd and get the best deals for the nicest plants. We have a nice group of people who donate their time year after year. You can share in the fun. If we get enough volunteers, no one has to stand on one's feet for long periods and has more time to shop and enjoy the show with breaks away from the sales table. The customers who come to POGE and visit the member sales area are also very special. Many of them come year after year. There is real excitement in the air around the sales table, and there are great stories to tell and learn about when you talk to customers.

Plants for sale can ONLY be dropped off on Thursday, the 23rd from 3pm to 6pm. The only exceptions that can be made must be made by contacting me personally. Plants that are left without check-in will not be put out for sale.

But here is the difference. I will open the plant sales area on Thursday the 23rd from about 6pm until 7:30pm for volunteers who have helped with setup and judging. You will be able to pay for plants with either credit card, check or cash. No one can set aside plants for purchase before sales open however. So be the early bird... I could use one or two volunteers for this time just in case the demand is high.

POGE 2017 Member Plant Sales

Information for SFOS Members Who Want to Sell Plants

1. Each SFOS member will be permitted to have **75** plants only in the Member Plant Sales area at a time BECAUSE OUR SALES AREA IS SLIGHTLY SMALLER. YOU MUST BE A CURRENT MEMBER OF SFOS TO SELL PLANTS. As your individual plants are sold, you can bring in more. Each night I will make a tally of those plants sold and make that information available to anyone who wants to call me about it.
2. Place a label on each plant and make 2 inventory sheets-one for your records and one to give to the chair/sales staff for record keeping.
3. Labels must be legible and that includes the price. Member codes will be **3** letters followed by 1 to 3 numbers. At the time of check-in, your chosen letter code will be checked to insure that there are no duplicate codes. Before being placed on the sales table, plants must be checked in by a SFOS Member Plant Sales volunteer. The volunteer staff is responsible for removing any plants that are diseased or not established. A good rule of thumb is, if you would like to buy the plant, then it is good to sell to someone else.
4. Plants can be checked in for sale starting Thursday February 23rd from 3pm to 6pm. Please do not leave your plants without official check-in. If you 'drop plants off' without check in we won't put them

on the bench for sale.

5. The San Francisco Orchid Society will assume a 25% commission for the sale of plants at the table.

6. Each person bringing plants to sell must work at the plant sales table for at least 3 hours-it doesn't have to be all at one time. There are many people who do lots of volunteer time in a variety of areas. BUT...there are lots of plants in the member plant area and just a few loyal folks who sell everyone's plants year after year. If you are busy doing other things, you must find someone to take your shift obligation. **And that shift obligation will have to be at a time where there is a need.**

7. When you work at the sales area, your purpose is to sell EVERYONE's plants, not just your own plants. Anyone who attempts to sell ONLY his or her individual plants without going through the show plant sales procedure will be asked to leave the area with their plants. *No side deals!*

8. Each member who brings in plants is completely responsible for any loss to his or her plants. In other words, we do our best to promote and sell plants and to safeguard them from loss, theft or damage. But it happens.

9. Plants can be removed from the plant sales area on Sunday beginning at 15 minutes before the close of the show. Any exception to this must be cleared with the chair of the Member Plant Sales area.

10. There will be no 'saving' plants [removing plants from the general sales table] for anyone other than those folks who are working in the plant sales area at the time of their shift.

11. No plants will be sold at the Member Plant Sales area **BEFORE 6pm on Thursday, February 23rd**. There are no earlier sales. No one can put plants behind the sales table for later purchase. We try to keep the sales area a 'level playing field' where everyone gets an equal crack at the bargains that are there.

Volunteers are needed for all shifts on all days especially Friday all day, Saturday all day, and Sunday AM! Sunday PM shifts are always overbooked. Signup sheets will be available at the January and February SFOS meeting or you can contact me at: czoltowski@sbcglobal.net or [415-657-3222](tel:415-657-3222).

Hope to see you in the member Plant Sales area of the POGS.

Carol Zoltowski
Member Plant Sales Chair
[415-657-3222](tel:415-657-3222)

Attention All Volunteer Chairs:

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February. The meetings will highlight the change of location and provide detailed information for the Chairs and their volunteers.

Essential Meetings for All Volunteer Chairs (*please attend at least one*):

Tuesday, Jan. 3 @ 7:00 pm

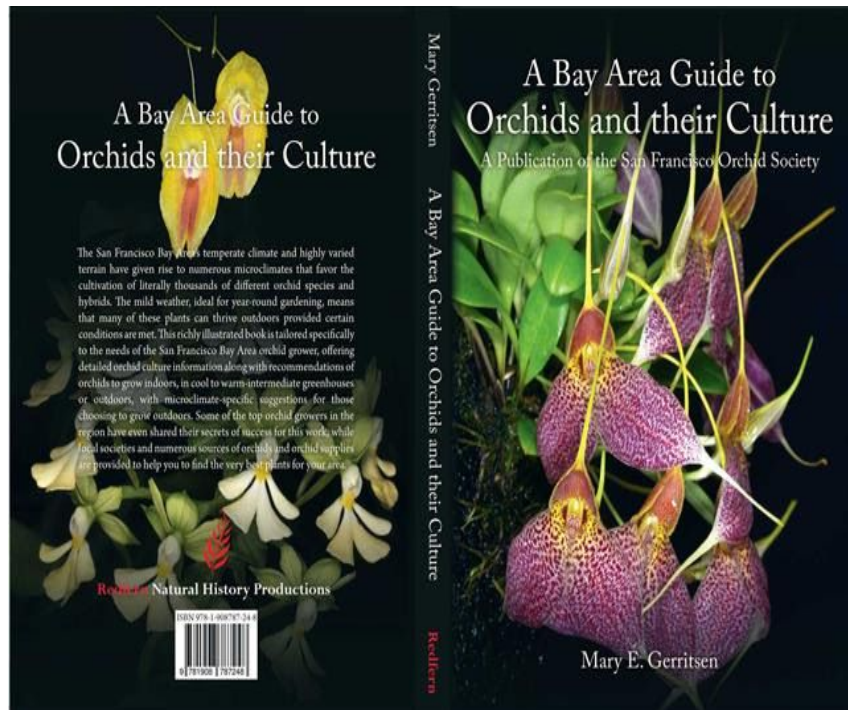
Tuesday, Feb. 7 @ 7:00 pm

Help needed for Book Sales at the POGE

Do you like books? Would you like a sit-down job at the POGE? We need help in the book sales booth. Shifts are about 3 -4 hours. This year we will have the new “ *A Bay Area Guide to Orchids and Their Culture*” a publication of the SFOS, for sale. Its a great opportunity to help make some money for the club and to get others interested in orchids and how to grow them.

If you are interested, please contact Mary Gerritsen
meg570@comcast.net

Note: We are still in NEED of a Book Selling Volunteer Chair.



The NEW BOOK published by the San Francisco Orchid Society is here!

The Bay Area Guide to Orchids and Their Culture, featuring many of the members of the San Francisco Orchid Society and our neighboring orchid societies, has finally arrived from the printers. Copies will be available at the January and February meetings, The cost will be \$19.99 plus sales tax (\$1.74), total \$21.69. If interested, it may be possible to get copies before Christmas. Contact Mary Gerritsen for arrangements meg570@comcast.net

Online 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

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!

Interested in a specific topic or speaker or skill session?

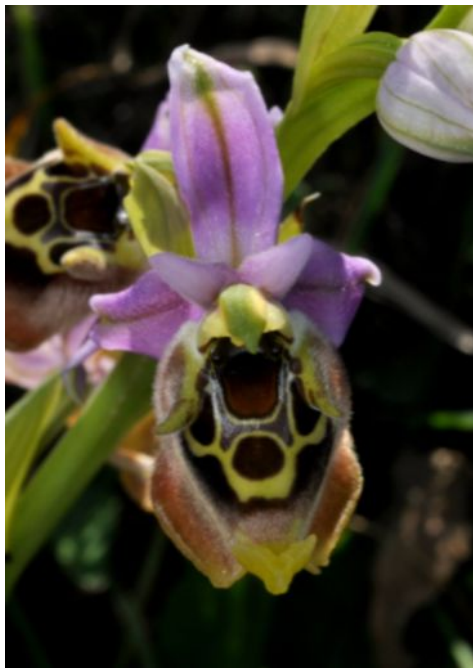
SFOS members are welcome to make suggestions for speakers or topics for our meetings, and also for our skill sessions before the meetings. Please send your suggestions to Mary Gerritsen meg570@comcast.net



1% for Orchid Conservation

San Francisco Orchid Society joins other orchid societies and businesses that participate in 1% FOC by committing to budget 1% or more of our net revenue towards in situ orchid conservation projects of their choice.

<http://www.orchidconservationcoalition.org/>



***Orchids in the Wild!
Guided orchid tours to
some of the worlds most
interesting places***

*The Orchid Conservation
Alliance (OCA)*

(

Ophrys "bee orchid" from Greece/Crete

<http://www.orchidconservationalliance.org>) has four fantastic tours offered in 2017:

Crete and Greece: 15 days, April 10-24

Amazon Botanical Art and Illustration: 10 days, June 6-15

Amazon Orchid Photography, June 16-26

Ecuador after the World Orchid Conference, November 13-28

The tours are organized by professional tour operators, and offered in conjunction with the Orchid Conservation Alliance. The tours are designed with the orchid lover in mind, with a blend of activities involving nature, archeology, scenery and shopping. OCA Orchids in the Wild tours are limited in size (usually 10-14 people), and the tour costs include in country transportation, guides, drivers, hotels and meals. They do not include the cost of air transportation to and from the country where the tour is offered. A side benefit of the tours is that part of the cost is a tax-deductible donation that will go towards the establishment and preservation of protected orchid reserves. Sign up soon as the tours are nearly fully subscribed. For more information, see the OCA website.

**Botanical Study Tours in China
led by Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology in 2017**

Click the links below to download itineraries for the [Sichuan Summer](#) and [Autumn](#) tours respectively:

[2017 Sichuan Summer Tour](#)
and
[2017 Autumn Tour of North Sichuan](#)

Registration and any questions, please write to:
info@hengduanbiotech.com

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Special Events

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

Cymbidium Orchid Auction



Friday, January 20, 2017

Auction 7:00 PM
Registration & Preview 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Beautiful Cymbidiums and their
Companions, Including In Spike,
Rarely Available, and Show &
Award Winners!

- 150 Plant Entries
- No Buyers Premium
- Absentee Bids Accepted

San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way
San Mateo, CA 94403



Cym. (Via Fair Vista x Robert Rowe) 'Ruby Splash' © Darrel Wong

Catalog & Photos will be Available after January 9, 2017 at:

www.GoldCoastCymbidiumGrowers.com

Email Questions or Inquiries to Richard Mangan at mangasz@att.net or call (209) 373-7852



 **MALIHINI**
ORCHID SOCIETY
2017 ANNUAL
Orchid Show & Sale
AOS and CSA Judged Show

FREE ADMISSION
Fri. Feb. 10 6pm-9pm
(sale area only)
Sat. Feb. 11 10am-6pm
Sun. Feb. 12 10am-5pm

There will be displays, lectures
and demonstrations on orchids.
Special purchased orchids will
also be on sale

Information: www.malihini.org

**Main Street
Cupertino**
19459 Stevens Creek Blvd,
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& N. Wolfe Road)



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GENERAL: \$14 advance online
\$15 at the door

SENIORS (65+): \$11 advance online
\$12 at the door

3 DAYS PASS: \$30

Children 16 and under are FREE

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Orchid Conservation Alliance
Benefit Dinner
To Expand the Dracula Reserve

Speaker: Lou Jost

Discovering, Studying, Conserving
Ecuador's Orchids

Please join us during the Pacific Orchid Exposition

Friday, February 24, 2017, 6 – 10 PM

Conservatory of Flowers, 100 John F. Kennedy Dr., San Francisco

For an evening of good company, delicious food, a private tour of the conservatory, a silent auction, and

A Most Excellent Talk by Lou Jost.



Lou Jost, conservationist, population geneticist and mathematical ecologist, is also the director and treasurer of Ecuador's Fundación EcoMinga. Originally from Wisconsin, Lou has lived on the side of the active Tungurahua volcano in Baños, Ecuador, for many years. His love of nature, particularly plants and birds, and his observation of their habitat's degradation in Ecuador led to his active interest in conservation. Jost has been instrumental in promoting a variety of conservation strategies, principally the creation of nature reserves. Reserva Rio Anzu was the first reserve, created with seed funding by the Orchid Conservation Alliance. Fundación EcoMinga's recent Dracula reserve was funded by a consortium of the Orchid Conservation Alliance, the University of Basel, and the RainForest Trust. Beyond providing safe harbor to the flora and fauna of the tropical rainforest, Fundación EcoMinga's reserves have yielded up many species of orchids, trees, frogs, and insects new to science.



Tickets limited -- \$115

Purchase before February 14, 2017

Via www.orchidconservationalliance.org



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