



San Francisco Orchid Society Newsletter

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.

Next Meeting:
Tuesday, June 5, 2018

Where:
San Francisco County
Fair Building -
[Hall of Flowers]
Golden Gate Park,
9th Avenue at Lincoln Way,
San Francisco, CA

Speaker's Dinner:
If you like to join Fred for dinner at 5:30 PM before the meeting, please RSVP with Jeff Harris (jharrisofs@gmail.com; cell: 650-303-6205) by no later than noon on the day of the meeting (June 5) to confirm the location and that there is room.

Skills Session:
Begins at 7:00pm
Dean Hass of Botanico will lead a Q&A session on general repotting and deflasking.

American Orchid Society Judging: Begins at 7:00pm.
(Enter plants for AOS Judging between 6:30 and 7:00 pm)



Den. Purple Cluster (Rubens) x Den. (Aussie Charm x Zip) (SVO)

Guest Speaker: Fred Clark,
[Sunset Valley Orchids](#)

Topic: Australian Dendrobiums and their culture

Opportunity Table
provided by:



Pre-Order Discount:
Save 10% and get *free* shipping! Orders will be delivered to the June meeting. To place your order with Fred call him directly: (760) 310-0778



Fred Clarke with one of his fabulous *Den. speciosums*

Join us for Fred Clarke's presentation on Australian Dendrobiums and their cultivation. These orchids from down under flourish in the Bay Area and are not commonly found at your local box store. Aussie Dendrobiums are easy to grow, tolerant of heat and cold, have fragrant flowers, and re-bloom from the old bulbs!!! They grow well with Cattleyas and in frost free areas they are perfect plants for the shade house. Fred will also cover the best practices for growing these remarkable plants to help you achieve the very best results.

About Fred

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for 40 years and has been hybridizing for 37 of those years. With over 35 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry, Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery, Sunset Valley Orchids, located in Vista, California.

He is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing Cattleya hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new Aussie Dendrobium and Paphiopedilum hybrids.

His pioneering work in Cattleya intergeneric hybrids led to the development of several notable hybrids, most recently the grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark, which produced one of the blackest flowers ever witnessed. This grex has received eight FCCs, eight AMs and the coveted AOS Award of Distinction on the first flowers shown for judging!

Fred is an Accredited Judge in the Pacific South Judging Region. His plants have received hundreds of quality awards from the American Orchid Society.



From our President



I first want to thank our outgoing officers and board members for their outstanding service to SFOS, and welcome all the returning and new board members.

“Yes we can” is my slogan as we transition on as the new 2018/2019 SFOS Board.

In listening to input from various members about what direction we should take the society, I have heard several recurring themes:

- 1) We must grow the society and strive to bring in younger and more diverse new members and future leaders.
- 2) We should keep both POE and OITP, and strive to differentiate the two events – if the Pacific Orchid Exposition cannot be as big as it once was at Fort Mason in the near term, can we make it feel more special or different from Orchids in the Park to attendees.
- 3) We should do more outside of our monthly member meetings – boost our efforts to support orchid conservation and education locally and abroad, and do “outings” (sponsor local greenhouse tours and hikes, or even trips abroad).

We can do these things and more as long as we have active support from the members. If you care about any of these things I’ve listed above, or something else, tell me.

- Volunteer to lead that activity and recruit others to help.
- We are all volunteers.
- We are all busy and have other priorities besides SFOS.
- Let’s build our community.
- If you want SFOS to thrive, put in some effort yourself.
- I’ve volunteered to do all that I can for SFOS, now it is your turn to join me.

Come on – it will be fun – let’s get started.

Jeff Harris



Dialaelia Mizoguchi “Princess Kiko”
John Whitney

SFOS Monthly Show & Tell Table

Please bring your blooming 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.

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.

When you bring a plant to show and tell, fill out the identification tag with your name and you can get one entry into a special raffle for a chance to pick up an early selection from the plant opportunity table.

We look forward to seeing you and your plants at the next monthly meeting



Wear Your Name Badge:

When you pick up your name tag from the membership table at our meetings you will get a special raffle ticket for a chance to pick up an early selection from the plant opportunity table.

May Show & Tell



Laelia Coastal Sunset Afterglow
Bill Weaver



Vanda garayi (Ascocentrum garayi)
Susan Anderson



Dendrobium sulcatum
John Whitney

Monthly Meeting Reminders

Refreshments:

SFOS members are expected to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at monthly meetings based upon the first letter of your last name. Check the calendar below for the monthly meeting corresponding to your last name. Members whose last name starts with the letter range I - K should bring snacks to the meeting on June 5, 2018.

Please bring snacks for the next meeting such as :

- Nuts
- Fruit or veggie sticks
- Crackers & Cheese
- Cookies

A few jars/cans of nuts, a pound or two of fruit (dried or fresh) or cheeses, a few dozen cookies, or box or two of crackers is an appropriate amount.

Remember to ask the folks at the opportunity table for your extra raffle ticket when you bring food to a meeting!

2018 Refreshment Calendar:

Jan: V - Z
 Feb: A - B
 Mar: C - D
 Apr: E - F
 May: G - H
Jun: I - K
 Jul: L - M
 Aug: N - P
 Sep: Q - R
 Oct: S - T
 Nov: U - Z
 Dec: Potluck: Everyone

Future Speakers & Fun Meetings You Don't Want To Miss

July 2018: You be the judge - AOS outreach judging workshop

Aug 2018: Sharman O'Neill - *Vanilla!*

Sept 2018: Norman Fang - *Development of the Harlequin Phalaneopsis*

Oct 2018: Kay Klausing - *Orchid viruses*

Nov 2018: Harold Koopowitz *Breeding The New Miniature Slipper Orchids*

Dec 2018: *Holiday Party*

Jan 2019: TBA

Feb 2019: Stig Dalstrom - *Paphiopedilums of Bhutan*



2018 Orchids in the Park is comming!

Join us for Orchids in the Park, our summer event and sale. Two wonderful days of spectacular orchids on display and an opportunity to purchase plants and supplies from vendors from around the world.

When: July 21 - 22, 2018

Time: 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM

Fee: \$5 Admission; Children 16 Years & Under: **Free**

Tickets can be purchased at the door or online: sforchidsinthepark.org

Where: San Francisco County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers)
(at the corner of 9th Ave & Lincoln Way) Golden Gate Park, in the Inner Sunset District of San Francisco

We have launched a special website for Orchids in the Park.
Check it out: sforchidsinthepark.org

Show Chair: Angelic Nguyen (angelic@orchidesign.com)
For general inquires and questions: info@orchidsanfrancisco.org



Please help the SFOS get the word out by liking the page on Facebook: [Facebook.com/SFOrchidsociety](https://www.facebook.com/SFOrchidsociety)
Invite your friends to OITP by sharing: www.facebook.com/events

Volunteers needed !!!

The SFOS would like you to volunteer! There are a range of volunteer positions at the event you can fill to match your skills and physical abilities. You can sign up online at: Signup.com

If you volunteer for a shift, you will get a **Show Bucks coupon for \$5** you can use like cash on the sales floor. You will also have **free** admission to the event and **free** lunch.

Friday July 20

Event set up:

Setup tables, table covers, chairs, signs, etc.

Orchid Exhibit Set-Up (1 pm - 6 pm):

Set up the display of flowering plants. This job requires some lifting, standing, and walking. As a special bonus, we will be giving away some prizes for those helping us put together the plant display!

Display Plants Needed!

This year, we have about 18 local and international vendors. They will be bringing their very best orchid selections to make our event beautiful. However, in order to make our display full, abundant and fabulous, we also need you to contribute your wonderful plants to the effort. Please bring your orchids during the event set-up on Friday, between Noon - 6 PM.




Orchids in the Park
San Francisco Orchid Society's
Summer Show & Sale
July 21 & 22, 2018
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, under 16 free
Information & Tickets at:
www.orchidsanfrancisco.org



July 21 & 22

Admission/Ticket Sales: A mostly sit down job selling tickets and registering pre-sold tickets

Security:

There are three types of jobs:

1) Sitting/standing in the area between the sales and vendor area. Making sure that plants purchased in the sales area do not go into display area. Directing people to store them at the Plant Hotel, or directing them to the exits.

2) Standing/sitting at the exits and checking plants purchased for proof of sale dots. People with plants without dots are directed back to the vendor to get dots.

3) Walking around the display area keeping an eye on the plants. Asking people not to touch the plants. If there is a problem, you can contact the head of security for help. (Head of security will help with any issues that might come up).

Plant Hotel:

Accepting plants from people who are checking them in for safekeeping, and issuing redemption tickets. Placing the plants in a box, and storing the box on shelves. Retrieving plants from shelves in exchange for their ticket. The job involves standing, walking, and some lifting.

Raffle Ticket Sales:

Sell raffle tickets to customers.

Membership:

Tend the membership table, talk to prospective new members about SFOS, and help them to sign up

Vendor Relief:

Providing breaks for vendors who are alone, distributing water and fruit. This is a walk around the sales area type of position-very social!

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.

Sunday Event Take Down (5 pm - 9 pm): Take down and store tables, chairs, etc. Store all event materials in bins and boxes.



Photo by: Ken Jacobsen

Dendrobium tobaense 'Golden Gate'

species ❖❖❖❖❖ AM 81

Exhibited by: Golden Gate Orchids

Winner of [Best Species] POE 2018

Do you want to know how to grow this amazing Dendrobium? We did, so we asked the expert, Tom Perlite from Golden Gate Orchids, to share his tips on successful culture:

Dendrobium tobaense is a nigrohirsute (black hairs on the pseudobulb stems) Dendrobium native to Sumatra that was only recently discovered in 1993. It comes from an elevation of 1500 to 5000 feet, and grows in warm to intermediate temperatures.

The plant that I exhibited at the recent POE was a seedling of the [gigantea] form, from Hilo Orchid Farm in Hawaii. I have been growing the plant in a warm greenhouse with temperatures ranging from 62 degrees at night to 85 during the day. I'm sure that it would grow well in the 55-75 degree range, that is more typical of the temperatures at Hilo Orchid Farm, near Hilo. I have grown this plant in fine bark in a clay pot, and let the plant almost dry between waterings. When the plant is in active growth and developing new pseudobulbs, I give the plants more water and fertilizer, and lessen the water and fertilizer during the winter months. The best time to repot Den. tobaense is in the spring after they flower and begin to make their new growth. They prefer smaller pots rather than overpotting them.

Dendrobium tobaense is an extremely rewarding plant with very unusual looking flowers that stay in bloom for up to two months. - Tom Perlite

Member Plant Sales

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 Klumb 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 her 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.



American Orchid Society Awards

Check the websites for the most recent awards:

AOS Pacific Judging Center website:

www.paccentraljc.org



Dracula Maltese Falcon 'Bogey'
(*Dracula Raven* x *Dracula roezlii*)
FCC 95

Exhibited by: John Leathers



Rhyncattleanthe Rubin's Magic 'Hortensia'

(*Cattleya Tropical Sunset* x
Rhyncattleanthe Laughing Boy)
AM 84

Exhibited by: Ruben Colmenares



Paphiopedilum Robinianum 'Tiny Jungle'

(*Paphiopedilum lowii* x
Paphiopedilum parishii)
AM 86

Exhibited by: Chris Mende

All PCJC Photos: Ken Jacobsen

AOS Awards from the Central Valley of California and Northern Nevada:

www.csnjc.org



Paph. Oriental Green 'Riesling'
(*Paph. Oriental Jewel* x *Paph. sukhakulii*)

AM 81

Exhibited by Dave Sorokowsky



Sarco. Kulnura Symphony 'Grass Valley'

(*Sarco. Elegance* x *Sarco. Bunyip*)
AM 80

Exhibited by Ted McClellan



Dendrochilum longilabre 'Goodstuff'
species

CBR (prov)

Exhibited by Tom Pickford

All CSNJ Photos:
Ramon de los Santos



American Orchid Society

Education. Conservation. Research.

Have you joined the AOS?

As an American Orchid Society member, you have considerably more resources at their disposal to make growing orchids even more enjoyable and successful, including Digital Access To Over 350+ past issues of Orchids magazine extending back to 1932! For example, to view content from the most recent issue of Orchids magazine -

Click here: www.aos.org/about-us/orchids-magazine.aspx

Upcoming AOS Webinars:

<http://www.aos.org/orchids/webinars.aspx>



Big lip Phalaenopsis,

a judging webinar (*Members only*)

Thursday, June 7, 2018

5:30 PST

Tom Harper will show and discuss the explosion of big lipped Phalaenopsis and how judges look at them. Are they better than parents? Are they worth awards?



June Greenhouse Chat

Tuesday, June 12, 2018

5:30 PST

Join Dr. Ron McHatton, Chief Science Officer as he answers your questions about all things orchids. Please send your questions to Sandra Svoboda at stillisch@cox.net by June 1st.

Membership Information

We have a new online process now for membership dues payments and annual member information updates - *even if you are a Lifetime Member*, we would like you to sign up to "join" our SFOS MemberPlanet site and use this new online process.



If you want help with this new process we can assist you at the membership desk.

If you cannot use the online process, then please go ahead and mail a check with your contact information to:

SFOS Membership
PO Box 27145
SF, CA 94127-0145

Annual Dues

\$25: Standard Membership (includes email newsletters)

\$40: Household membership (2 or more people, includes email newsletters)

\$75: Supporting Membership (includes one 2018 POE Gala OR weekend pass plus email newsletters)

\$150: SFOS Patron Membership (includes four 2018 POE Gala OR weekend passes, email newsletters, one signed copy of A Bay Area Guide to Orchids and their Culture)

\$500: SFOS Benefactor Membership (includes four 2018 POE Gala OR weekend passes, and mention in one of the newsletters and the Pacific Orchid Exposition program, email newsletters, one signed copy of A Bay Area Guide to Orchids and their Culture)

\$1,000: SFOS Orchid Circle (includes four 2018 POE Gala OR weekend passes, your name included in one of the newsletters and the Pacific Orchid Exposition program, email newsletters, one signed copy of A Bay Area Guide to Orchids and their Culture) Plus, a one-time donation of one third of the amount to the Orchid Conservation Alliance towards purchase of orchid preserve land)

Thank you for considering a donation to SFOS - every bit helps!

Welcome to our New Members!

Janet Beckerman
 Anthony Rollins Mullens

You can save the Planet and Orchids too! Yes, you can...

The San Francisco Orchid Society



joins other orchid societies and businesses participating in the 1% FOC campaign by committing to budget 1% or

more of our net revenue towards in situ orchid conservation projects. For more information see:

www.orchidconservationcoalition.org

Orchid Conservation Alliance (OCA)



Orchids in the Wild© trip for 2018

In November OCA will lead a tour to Colombia. The trip will focus on the spectacular orchids of the northern Andes, several nurseries, and a visit to a new OCA sponsored reserve. Reservations are being accepted now; a \$500 deposit, payable to OCA holds your space the trip.

Amazon Smile Donations to OCA

Any purchases you make on Amazon through Amazon Smile yields a 0.5% donation to the OCA. Just go to: 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.**

For more information, see the OCA website:

www.orchidconservationalliance.org



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SFOS Board Meeting Minutes - May 7, 2018

Call to order: 7:00 PM

Present (Former Board) Ron Norris, Erik Sayle, Jeff Harris, Mary Gerritsen, Jean Lee, Alvin Hom (called in), Jason Douglass, Antonette Queri, Claire Zvanski, as well as the following new board attendees: Faye Rabino, Linda Tripp, Debra Vails-Qualters, Jeremiah Chua, Angelique Fry (guest)

Not attending: Dave Hermeyer

Meeting was held in person at Jeff Harris's home and it was an opportunity to transition all the new board members in by meeting in person. It was a great meeting, delicious food and good folks. A great welcome to the new board members and everybody else who is helping.

1. President's Updates:

We have recently had some difficulty getting the park police to come give us access to the room we use to store our projector and other monthly meeting supplies, which is also where the tables and chairs are stored. From their perspective the rec and parks department and others (park rangers, custodians, SFBG staff, etc) feel we and other groups renting the County Fair Building are requiring more of their staffing resources than they can afford.

Jeff followed up with the new Rec and Parks director (Elizabeth Benjamin) who is trying to understand our challenges and promised to work with us (and all other plant societies) to make things smoother ASAP - but we do not have this situation fully reconciled and may end up having to pay more to support security staffing.

2. Treasurer / CFO Updates:

Other topics mentioned included the next time we get wine glasses for the POE we will leave a year off them so they can be given out more than once. The wine glasses should be generic in that respect. The raffle table costs the society \$200 each month and we often don't break even so members are encouraged to spend a little more at the raffle table if they desire. It is a great bargain with awesome orchids! The silent auction makes the society some money so that's a good thing. OITP tends to be profitable for the society which is a great thing.

a. Financial report review: the board reviewed the financial documents presented by Mary, and agreed that everything appeared in order. Mary will spend time over the next few months to transition to our new treasurer, Faye Rabino, to get her up to speed on many of the issues pertaining to this challenging job. Thanks Faye for being treasurer.

b. Fraud case update: Case is moving slowly along.

3. Vice President's Updates:

The speakers are set up for much of the next year. We still need skill session ideas so members can feel free to discuss their ideas with members of the board. Alternatively it was noted that we could have show committee meetings at the skill session time especially the month before a show. It was mentioned that many members and other societies have greenhouse tours and the SFOS might want to officially try that as a society. Many members have greenhouses or want to build them so it's a great way to learn more about the hobby. Even if you are not building a greenhouse they are great fun to visit as well.



GARDEN DESIGN MAGAZINE

Get the first issue FREE with your new Subscription....

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If you have not seen Garden Design magazine yet, check it out [online](#).

There are no ads - Just 148 pages of beautiful gardens and plants. There is also a free weekly newsletter that goes out each Thursday.



Any interest or need for some wine glasses? We have many cases of previous POE wine glasses available just sitting in our storage locker, and looking for a new home.

If interested please contact: Jeff Harris (jharrisofs@gmail.com).

4. OITP Update:

Ron has all major positions filled for OITP. Ilie is doing security, but he could use a co-chair and more help, security is always hard to staff, a lot of moving parts there. We discussed making more of an effort to provide more information to volunteers at OITP based on feedback from POE volunteers that we could better communicate the schedule and posts, and improve how the credentials (badges) are done so as to make it a smoother experience for volunteers.

a. Advertising budget

Angelic is doing a lot of work on OITP. THANKS Angelic! Because we took a while to finally decide if we were having OITP, she wants us to really blitz a lot of advertising as many orchid enthusiasts might not be aware yet. We discussed a lot of the different ways to advertise.

Generally it was noted that some of the older ways of advertising do not make financial sense anymore, thus advertising in big newspapers was seen as giving the least bang for our buck whereas social media seemed to be the best. We used the McKenzie News Service to help spread the word about POE onto many to small newspaper's event calendars for very little cost. Other methods were on the spectrum between. Angelic would also like to target certain ethnic groups to alert them to our event as there may be untapped interest in these communities. Postcards and MemberPlanet email blasts are also good values. Members should feel free to go to the Facebook pages for both the society as well as OITP, post some pics of your orchids, ask or answer questions and help promote OITP by sharing with your circles of plant loving friends. This kind of viral marketing is the best, if members do it like this it costs the society nothing but is highly effective.

The budget was \$2000 for advertising for OITP which Angelic thought was not enough due to time constraints..

Mary made a motion to upgrade advertising budget from \$2000 to \$2500 for Angelic to advertise OITP and if she needs more she needs to discuss it with the board.

It was seconded by Debra - Unanimous in favor.

5. POE Update

a. Post-POE Emailed Survey Results: A majority of folks seemed to appreciate that we were under some financial restraint and so they were okay with having POE in a more intimate setting. However many respondents also preferred Ft. Mason or a similarly larger venue/event, but those who understand the costs and challenges of an enormous show like POE seemed to understand that the County Fair building is the best for us at this point in time. Folks really liked the Alice in Wonderland theme. They really thought it was fun and those who attended the Gala liked it as well.

It was noted that number of years ago the SF Garden Show had approached us about partnering with them on a bigger show that was plants AND orchids. It never went anywhere but we discussed revisiting this option. Though for both groups things are different today than back then so it would be new conversations. It could hold some hope for us to work together to share expenses and be in a larger facility.

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b. 2019 POE

i. Committee:

ii. Dates: We need to pin down a weekend. We normally hold POE on the last week of Feb so we will apply now and unfortunately we don't find an answer out until Sept. That is part of the facility challenges mentioned above that we should also address which is why it takes so long for groups that want to use the facilities to get confirmations.

Mary made a motion to target the POE for the weekend of Feb 23/24

Faye seconded. Vote was unanimous in favor.

iii. Event Manager: We briefly discussed options to hire someone to help more, but no decisions made yet.

6. Old Business

a. Storage space: Some members of the board will be going to the storage locker to assess what is in there soon. It has been noted that some of the supplies in there were for Ft Mason and since we likely won't be going back there too soon we may want to try to downsize as we are paying storage fees for things we are not using currently. We currently have a 10x11 unit and if we could downsize that a bit we could hopefully get a smaller, more affordable unit there or elsewhere which would go along way towards boosting our bank account.

7. New Business

a. Transition to new officers/board. There is a folder named "job descriptions" and new board members are encouraged to look at these descriptions..

8. Meeting Closure

a. Review of action items

b. Motion to adjourn at 8:48PM

Submitted by Erik Sayle - SFOS Secretary



Get your copy of **"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. Cost is \$21.69 (\$19.99 plus sales tax (\$1.74)). Contact Mary Gerritsen for purchasing arrangements: meg570@comcast.net

May Show & Tell



Leptotes bicolor [Fireworks] AM/AOS
Jason Douglass



Paph. Ho Chi Minh
Dale Martin



Den. Super Isle [Super Personality]
Antonntte Queri

Calendar of Upcoming Events & Announcements

June 2, 2018

Celebration of Life for Marron Honigman (GCCG President and President of the CSA). 10:30 AM. Blach Middle School, 1120 Covington Road, Los Altos, CA. Lunch to follow. If you would like to say a few words about Marron, please contact Sylvia Darr at 650-450-1384.

June 9, 2018

16th Orchid Digest Speakers Day

'Orchids in the Wild'

Noon - 8:00 pm

Ahmanson Classroom, Botanical Building

Huntington Botanical Garden

1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA

Speakers:

- Brandon Tam *Wild Orchids of Ecuador*
- Mary Gerritsen *Orchids of Sulawesi*
- Phyllis Prestia *Wild Orchids of France*
- Steve Hampson *Wild Orchids in China*
- Norman Fang *New Color Forms of Phalaenopsis Species*

Vendors: Andy's Orchids, Cal Orchid, Gold Country Orchids, Norman's Orchids, and Sunset Valley Orchids

<http://www.orchiddigest.com/speaker-day.html>

July 10 - 13, 2018

City College of San Francisco

Ocean Campus

50 Phelan Ave. San Francisco, CA

City College is offering an Orchid Class this summer. It is a 3 day class from 10 AM - 2:30 PM taught by Steven Brown, the director of the Floristry and Environmental Horticulture Department. Tom Perlite of Golden Gate Orchids will also assist in the class.

https://www.ccsf.edu/Schedule/Summer/env_

July 13 - 15, 2018

Cal-Orchid's Summer Hummer Open House

& Neofinitia Orchid Judging event

Fri - Sun 9 AM - 5 PM.

1251 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA.

Saturday will have an informal orchid judging based on the Japanese style

For more info:

<http://www.calorchid.com>

July 13 - 15, 2018

Santa Barbara Orchid Estates Summer Open House

1250 Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA

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. Frequent potting and mounting demonstrations. And of course, they will have their \$7.50 specials of seedlings, bare-roots, and Wayne's special annual pick of sprouted Cymbidium back bulbs: select and awarded, species and hybrids, standard and miniatures.

www.sborchid.com

Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology, Ltd. presents a new botanical study tour to North Sichuan, China.

Ms. Wenqing Perner will lead a 10 day journey through southwest China starting on September 13, 2018.

Pictured below and on the following page are some of the orchids native to the regions that will be visited.

Photos by: Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology, Ltd.



Cypripedium bardolphianum.



Cypripedium habitat



July 20 - 21, 2018

The International Phalaenopsis Alliance
The IPA will be holding its 24th Annual Phalaenopsis Symposium at the
Huntington Botanical Garden in San Marino, CA

<http://www.phal.org/symposium.htm>
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/856618421185108/about/>

July 21 - 22, 2018

Save the Date & Spread the Word...

SFOS Orchids in the Park
San Francisco County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers)
9th Avenue at Lincoln Way, San Francisco, CA

Details on page 4. www.sforchidsinthepark.org
<https://www.facebook.com/events/362450970913093/>

July 26 - 30, 2018

2018 Native Orchid Conference
Smithsonian Environmental Research Center (SERC) near Annapolis,
Maryland
The conference will start Thursday evening July 26 with a Social Reception at
SERC. Friday, July 27 and Sunday, July 29 will be Speaker Presentations at
SERC. Saturday, July 28 and Monday, July 30 will be Field Trips to observe
native orchids.

For more info contact: ncorchid@Yahoo.com or (336) 996-2324

July 28, 2018

CSNJC Speakers Day
9am - 5pm
Odd Fellows Building
1831 Howe Ave at Alta Arden, Sacramento, CA
A full day that includes: AOS judging, plant sales from selected vendors, and
distinguished speakers from around the country.
<http://www.csnjc.org>

August 3 - 4, 2018

2018 8th Annual Cattleya Symposium
Sponsored by Odom's Orchids and The University of Florida
IFAS lecture hall: Indian River Research and Education Center
2199 South Rock Road, Ft. Pierce, FL. 34945

Speakers:

- Jeff Bradley *The Historic European Cattleyas That Came to America*
- Alex Maximiano *OrchidWiz*
- Lance Osborne *Thrips Management*
- Alan Koch *The Magic of Cattleya briegei and its Progeny*
- Frank Smith/TBD
- Bill Rogerson *Cattleya aelandiae and Cattleya schilleriana*
- Bill Thoms *Cattleya Culture*
- Roy Tokunaga *Flower Boosters for Cattleyas*

For more info: <http://www.odoms.com/categories/events.html>



Cypripedium yunnanense




Cypripedium lichiangense



Calanthe tricarinata

CATTELEYA SYMPOSIUM
August 2nd, 3rd and 3th 2018
Thursday through Saturday
Featuring two days of presentations from
world-famous Cattleya experts
Pre-Registration Required

Thursday Night Pizza Get-Together Friday Night Cattleya Auction



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September 13 - 23 2018

Botanical Study Tour in North Sichuan, China
Wenqing Perner of Hengduan Mountains Biotechnology, Ltd. will lead a 10 day tour of southwest China. Starting in Chengdu (the capital of Sichuan). The itinerary will include: Wolong (the national nature reserve with the largest panda population in the world), Huanglong national park, Songpan (an ancient intact city from Quig Dynasty), and excursions into the Danyun gorge and Dagu glacier. Tour will be limited to a maximum of 15 persons. To view flyer: www.orchidsanfrancisco.org
For additional information or to make a reservation: info@hengduanbiotech.com

October 19-21, 2018

Huntington International Orchid Show and Sale
Huntington Botanical Garden
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA
(Friday-Sunday) 10 AM - 5 PM
Celebrate the amazing diversity of orchids - a vast family of more than 22,000 species in 880 genera - as hundreds of exotic blooms compete for honors at The Huntington's 4th annual International Orchid Show and Sale. The event will showcase lush displays by local and regional orchid societies and international growers, with each installation interpreting the creative theme of **"Orchid Musical."** In addition, vendors will have a wide range of orchid plants and related merchandise for sale. Entry to the event is included with general admission to The Huntington. Brody Botanical Center, The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens. www.huntington.org

November 4, 2018

Orchids of Colombia
Orchids in the Wild tour:
The Orchid Conservation Alliance will lead a tour to Colombia. The trip will focus on the spectacular orchids of the northern Andes, several nurseries, and a visit to a new OCA sponsored reserve. Reservations are being accepted now; a \$500 deposit, payable to OCA holds your space the trip. www.orchidconservationalliance.org



Dendrobium subclausum Jojo's Fire



Miltoniopsis Mae Mutsue Nakama

Photos by The Huntington Botanical Garden from their 2017 International Orchid Show

Meet our new SFOS newsletter editor

- Angelique Fry:



I am the President and co-founder (along with my husband Bill) of Divine Delights, Inc., located in Petaluma.

For the past 33 years our bakery has specialized in petits fours that are distributed nationwide. We also produce for private labels and have an extensive drop ship program. Although I am a baker by trade, my all consuming hobby and passion for orchids was set into motion with a visit to the POE over 20 years ago. I currently grow in two intermediate greenhouses in the Petaluma Valley. The larger and warmer greenhouse is predominately filled with my favorite genus, Cattleya (both species and hybrids) and some Vandas. The smaller greenhouse houses a collection of Paphiopedilums and other miscellaneous genera. In addition, I have outside areas for my cool growers such as Cymbidiums, Masdevallias, Australian Dendrobiums and Sarcophilus.

I have also served as President and Vice President of the Sonoma County Orchid Society.

Angelique

This Bulletin Board is a FREE service for SFOS members - orchid-related items and orchid events.

Send items by the 15th of the month by email to: newslettereditor@orchidsanfrancisco.org