



South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.  
 "Orchids for Amateurs"  
 Founded July, 1957  
 The  
**INFLORESCENCE**

February, 2007

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Cypripedium  
californicum

A native species  
found in California

**Friday, February 16, 2007**

**8:00 PM**

South Coast Botanic Garden  
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Palos Verdes Peninsula

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This months Speaker is **Ron Coleman**. And he will speak on  
**"The Orchids of the Westcoast of America."**

Ron is a retired electronics engineer living in Tucson, AZ. He has been growing orchids in a green house for over 30 years. His plants have won several American Orchid Society awards such as CCM, HCC and AM. Ron has served as president of the Ventura County and Thousand Oaks Orchid Societies. His interest in native orchids dates from a chance discovery of *Corallorhiza mertensiana* in Washington in 1972.

Ron is a frequently published author with over 30 orchid articles to his credit, most dealing with native orchids. They have appeared in the American Orchid Society Bulletin (now know as Orchids), The Orchid Digest, Fremontia, Selbyana, and Madrano.

Ron is the author of *The Wild Orchids of California*, published in 1995 and *The Wild Orchids of Arizona and New Mexico*, published in 2002. He co-authored the orchid treatment in *Arizona Rare Plant Field Guide* prepared by the Arizona Rare Plant Committee, and was co-author of two orchid genus treatments in the *Flora of North America*, Vol 2, published in 2002.

Ron's photographs have appeared in the following books:

Shennan, T. J. 2001. *Ultimate Orchid*. American Orchid Society  
 Bown, P. M. 2003. *The Wild Orchids of North America, North of Mexico*. University of Florida Press

Quinn, M. 2003. *Wildflowers of the Mountain Southwest*. Rio Nuevo Publishers

His photographs were featured in the Feb. 2004 Arizona Highways.

Ron was asked and accepted the position of editor for the orchid section of the planned revision to the Jepson Manual Flora of California and will write major portions the orchid treatment. Ron is on the publication committee for the Native Orchid Conference, responsible for publishing the quarterly Native Orchid Journal. He enjoys searching for wild orchids wherever he may be and has found them in England; Puerto Rico; Canada, including Newfoundland; and Alaska, as well as most parts of the lower 48 states.

## President's Message

Welcome to February. What a January we had. Did anyone's plants survive? We live about a mile from the coast, so we didn't get too badly damaged, but Susann's Cym's were all in spike, and now they aren't. Bummer!! I have heard of some big growers that lost a lot. Not a great January for orchid growers.

All the more reason for all of us to dig deep into the greenhouses and growing areas and pull out plants in bloom for the Spring Show. Remember, it is the first weekend in March, so this is the last newsletter before the Show. We have a number of things lined up for the show this spring that we are very excited about. If the weather holds, we ought to have a fabulous show. And, we are going to need lots of help because we are expecting a record attendance this year. Please get with Marla and/or Marc if you have any time available to help out that weekend. I know Susann and I will be there the whole weekend, so I hope to see a lot of you there. And, one more thing about the show—BRING FOOD. We need to make sure that we have plenty for all of the volunteers and vendors to eat.

Later in March we have the Santa Barbara bus trip. This is a lot of fun for those that want to go see one of the largest orchid shows in the US. Ron Henry has booked the bus, and has an announcement in this newsletter. Sign up and go.

The elections are going to be held at the April meeting again this year, because we had such good weather at the picnic in May last year. So, in the next newsletter we should have a slate of nominees. Please contact Jim Rowley if you have time and would like to serve in any capacity on the Board. Even if you think that you might want to help one of the current Board members as their second—to learn the ropes—we really need new people on the Board with fresh ideas and enthusiasm.

And, I am going to cook again at the picnic this year. We will be going back to Zuma Canyon again, and I'll be cooking the fajitas on George Vazquez' wonderful oak fired stone barbeque. I love that thing. And, I'm going to change my salsa recipe this year so maybe I will have a chance to win the salsa contest. Marla won it last year, but she had some strong competition from Olga. We'll see—I'm looking for a reprise of last year.

Finally, we are thinking of having the Installation Banquet at a different place this year. We checked out the Ports-O-Call in San Pedro this weekend, and they have a banquet room that will work for us. If anyone has any other suggestions, please let Ron Henry know, and we'll check them out. Tough duty, but someone has to do it.

Later, Ned

**CULTURE SESSION FOR THIS MONTH. Get your plants ready for show-**  
**by Mark Gibbel.** Mark is one of our long time members and has his own business selling orchids. He started with cymbidiums, but now has many kinds of orchids both in pots and mounted. You will see him at the Spring Show. Come out and find out how easy it is to get your plants ready for the show.

### “Nominating Committee”

It is that time of the year when we start looking forward to the future of our society. The nominating committee—chaired by Jim Rowley—has been working on a new slate of nominees. This year the election will be held in April, rather than in May. Since we will be having a picnic at Zuma Canyon Orchids in May, the board decided it would be better to hold our election at the April meeting.

## “The Art of Orchids”

### SHOW CHAIRS:

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## SBOS Spring Show and Sale March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007

Our spring show, “The Art of Orchids”, will be here soon, and it is time for everyone to sign up to help. This is a large show and requires lots of volunteers to help it run smoothly. There are lots of different jobs to choose from, so sign up for something that suits your abilities. This is a fun event and a great time to get to know fellow society members. We will have sign up sheets at our January meeting or you can phone our committee chairs directly.

**Art Guidelines:** Please see the January 2007 for guide lines or check out the web site.

**Set-up:** This involves helping get supplies out of storage and bringing them to the Cultural Arts Center. Help is also needed in setting up the show room and draping the tables beginning at 3:00 pm on Friday. Tables also need to be set up in the vendor areas beginning at 3:00pm. Call Ron Henry at (310) 374-9699.

**Plant registration:** Plant registration will take place on Friday beginning at 4:00pm. This important job involves the organization of paperwork of the plants entered for judging. Call Marla Corey at (310) 833-1918.

**Ticket sales:** Two people will be assigned in shifts to sell tickets at the door. This is a good job for those who prefer a seated job. Call Mary Glass at (310) 320-8600.

**Host and Hostess:** People are needed through out the show hours to talk to our guests and answer questions they may have. This also involves manning the exits and staffing the plants hotel where purchased plants are held. Call Marilyn Hill at (310) 675-0604 or Sue Estes at (310) 377-0773.

**Food:** Lots of food is needed to feed our hungry volunteers and vendors during the show. Please sign up to bring food. Call Shirley Marble at (310) 643-5740 or Carolyn Gould at (310) 546-2133.

**Take down:** Will take place right after the show closes. We need everyone to pitch in and help this job go quickly. Ron also needs help getting things back to our storage locker on Monday.

**Publicity:** Don Goss needs people to make phone calls and help with contacting newspapers to get the word out about our show. There also will be posters and flyers at our meeting for distribution in your neighborhoods to let your friends and neighbors know about our show. Call Don at (310) 316-3595.

**Art Exhibit:** In addition to our orchid show we would like to show case the artists in our society to promote our theme, “The Art of Orchids”. Information on the art exhibit can be found elsewhere in this newsletter.

**Bring in your blooming orchids for judging.** Now is the time to start preparing your plants for the show. Your plants need to be clean and free of pests and diseases. Don't worry if you don't understand how to register your plants, there will be plenty of registration volunteers to help you. We need everyone's blooming orchids to make this another outstanding show.

If you have any questions give me a call. Marla Corey (310) 833-1918



Thanks to all of our volunteers that helped at the Fall show. We were able to donate \$1000.00 to the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation this year. These funds will be used at the gardens to maintain and develop the gardens for everybody to enjoy. The South Coast Botanic Gardens also collected the admission fees for the Fall Show and those extra funds went to the general County funds for our county's needs. Again, thank you all. Without your help all of this would not be possible. The spring show is our own fund raising endeavor and we will be keeping the admission fees for use in our society. Keep up the good work. Thanks. SBOS Board

## RIBBING JUDGING FOR JANUARY 2007

<b>Amateur</b>	Cattleya	Judge	Don Goss	Exhibitor
1st	Laelia rubescense			Kathy West
2nd	Slc Hsin Bun Lady			Kathy West
3rd				
	Dendrobium	Judge	Don Goss	Exhibitor
1st	Noble			Phyllis Amago
2nd	Unknown			Ruby Caniago
3rd				
	Other	Judge	Don Goss	Exhibitor
1st	Cymbidium			Ron Henry
2nd	Bonatea			Marilyn Hill
3rd	gastrochilus			Ruby Caniago
<b>Adv Amatuer</b>	Cattleya	Judge	Marc Massari	Exhibitor
1st	Blc. Nacouchee			Ted Johnson
2nd	Blc. Pamela finney			Ted Johnson
3rd	Lc Aqui Finn			
	Cymbidium	Judge	Marc Massari	Exhibitor
1st	Cym.Bison Bison			Ted Johnson
	Lycaste			
1st	Chita Dream x Shoalhaven			David Streeter
2nd	Wild Sunset x Cherish			David Streeter
3rd	Wild Sunset x Chita Melody			David Streeter
	Oncidium			
1st	Unknown			Don Goss
2nd	Unknown			Don Goss
	Phalaenopsis			
1st	Maui Queen			Ted Johnson
	Phrag			
1st	Grande x caudatum			Don Goss

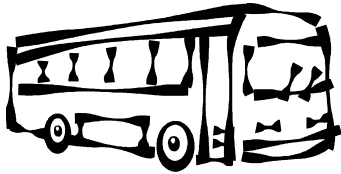
Our flowers at Ribbon judging are starting to look good. Keep up this good work, and soon our blooms will fill the whole room. If you are interested in helping with judging please contact Joan Bailey. This is an excellent opportunity to learn a little of the judging process.



*Dracula gigas* From the Latin *gigas*, "a mythological giant", in reference to the size of the plant and flowers (These are real Orchid flowers from a South American species).



## Annual South Bay Orchid Society Bus Trip to The 62nd Annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show



*Saturday - March 17, 2007*  
*Cost: \$35.00 per person*

The South Bay Orchid Society is again sponsoring a bus trip to the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show. This trip is open to all orchid lovers. This is the most comfortable, hassle-free and fun way to get to the show on wheels.

The cost of \$35 per person includes- admission to the show, morning and afternoon snacks and beverages; plus a raffle ticket for a chance to win one of the plants generously donated by the growers where we will be stopping to shop for plants and supplies:

**Please note that this year we will NOT be stopping at Gallup & Stribling.** This will eliminate having to feel “rushed” and allow more time to enjoy the other two growers listed below and the show.

**Santa Barbara Orchid Estates** They have Cymbidiums and a wide variety of orchids that grow well outdoors. This is a good place to buy potting supplies. Be sure to check out the plants on the \$7.50 tables!

**Cal-Orchids** They have a large variety of high quality orchids as well as free coffee and popcorn!

We will be leaving from the Park & Ride area at Alpine Village behind the gas station. This is at Torrance Blvd. and the 110 South (Harbor Freeway). Check in time is **7:15AM** and Departure time is **7:30AM**. We expect to back. We should be back by **6:30PM**.

Come join us for a fun filled trip. Bring a lunch, comfortable shoes, your watch, and a way to identify your plants (Return address labels work great).

Hurry the seats are filling up. For reservations and information call **Ron Henry @ 310 374-9699** or email [orkidguy@earthlink.net](mailto:orkidguy@earthlink.net) Make checks payable to S.B.O.S. and mail to Ron Henry 838 Cypress Ave #10 Hermosa Beach, CA 90254.

### **Orchid Tips:**

*Susann Patton*

It's not over until all the pseudobulbs are brown and mushy. *Then it's over.*



There are many stories of orchids that have been ‘given up for dead’ by their owners only to gloriously re-bloom at a later date. The good news is that if the temperature was above the critical degree point for your type of orchid, for some of you the plants may not have been actually killed. Perhaps the pseudobulbs are still intact even though the leaves are gone. If so, it may begin a new leaf growth soon. A few months later, it may begin another. Years later, this orchid may return with a vengeance.

This picture is of cold damage on a Phalaenopsis. Cut off the damage and take care to keep it away from cold. On some of my plants with thin leaves, I lost all the leaves, but the bulbs are still green and firm. I am hopeful that they will recover. Let me know how your plants are recovering. We could all learn from this cold disaster so maybe, just maybe some good may come of it.

## People, Places and Things

### South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

Meets on the third Friday of each month  
Culture Session at 7:00 p.m.  
General Meeting at 8:00 p.m.  
South Coast Botanic Garden  
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.  
Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA

**Show Committee**—An organizational meeting will be held at the Garden. Contact Marc or Marla if you're interested in helping out. Everybody is welcome. *We need your ideas!*



Cypripedium  
reginae

Another species  
found in the  
northeast of the  
US



No..., No pesticides are needed!  
Around here they all die of obesity

### Next Board Meeting—Feb 21 , 2006

The Board Meeting in January will be held at the Levy Center, Torrance Adult School  
The meeting will start at 7:00 PM.

### New Members

Please warmly welcome any new members. It is up to us, as a society to make all new members feel welcome.

**Laila Weil** heard about us from Peggy Wormington. Laila grows Cymbidiums and Cattleyas out on her covered patio.

**Debbie Tang-Quan** learned about us at the fall show. She grows Cymbidiums and Phalaenopsis also on her covered patio.

If you want contact info for any of these new people, please contact the Membership Chair—Susann.

### Sunshine-Kathy West

**Bob Streeter fell in January and broke his ankle. Please feel free to send him your good wishes for a speedy recovery.**

### CHECK IT OUT

Did you know that SBOS has a pretty good library of orchid books? We do, and the books range from beginning books for folks that are new to this hobby (like new members?) to more advanced books for those that caught this disease some time ago, and don't have any intention of shaking it.

Anyone interested in checking out an SBOS library book please contact Mary Glass at one of our regular meetings, since the library is at the Gardens

**The Refrigerator Door  
Orchid Show Calendar**  
February 2007—March, 2007

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Librarian:  
Mary Glass.....310-320-8600

Raffle Tickets:  
Ted and Betty Cornell.....310-327-2826

Refreshments:  
Carolyn Gould.....310-546-2133  
Shirley Marble.....310-379-0855

Ribbon Judging:  
Joan Bailey..... 310-835-9614  
Email:.....jo3bail@aol.com  
Thamina Haque..... 310-374-9898  
Marc Massari.....310-220-3507

Property Manager:  
Ron Henry.....310-374-9699

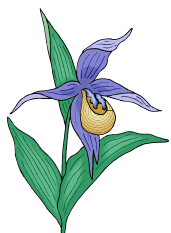
Meeting Set-up:  
David Okihara.....310-324-3211

AOS Liaison:  
Joan Bailey.....310-835-9614

Southland Representative:  
Marilyn Hill.....310-675-0604

Sunshine:  
Kathy West.....310-643-8740

Web Site:  
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**February 17-18**  
**SPECIAL ORCHID SALE & FUND RAISER FOR SBOS by Len Judaken**  
4115/4117 Milton Ave  
Culver City, CA 90232  
Phone 310-838-1816  
Very reasonable prices-no offer refused  
Many, many orchids-all types  
Flyers available on Website

**February 17-18**  
**Gardena Cymbidium Club 20th annual Orchid Show/sale**  
**Sat 10:30-5:00 Sun 10:00-400**  
**Ken Nakaoka Community center**  
**1670 West 162nd street**  
**Gardena, Ca 90247**

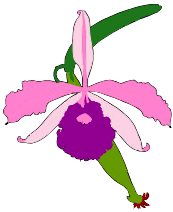
**March 3 and 4**  
**South Bay Orchid Society**  
**Spring Orchid Show and Sale**  
**YES, THIS IS OUR SHOW**  
**FOLKS!!!**  
Torrance Cultural Arts Center  
\$5 Admission

**March 16-18**  
**Santa Barbara Int'l Show**  
**Earl Warren Show grounds**  
**3400 Calle Real**  
**Santa Barbara**  
**Contact info: 805-969-5746**  
**For Info: www.sborchidshow.com**

**ONE DAY SALE-COLD DAMAGE**  
**SAT MAR 31 10AM to 4PM**  
Casa de las Orquideas,  
170 S Nardo Ave Solana Beach, CA  
Plants that lost flowers in the cold, and other cymbidiums that must sell, will be offered at prices at or below wholesale. Please consider car pooling as parking is limited.  
[casa@orquideas.com](mailto:casa@orquideas.com) or (858) 755-7572.

***“The Inflorescence”***

South Bay Orchid Society  
c/o Ned Patton  
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Torrance, CA 90503



***“The Art of Orchids”***

SBOS Spring Show and Sale March 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup>, 2007 (Only 2 weeks from now)

**See You Friday, February 16, 2007  
7:00 P.M.  
South Coast Botanic Garden**

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