



South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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# INFLORESCENCE

**November 2009**

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**Our November 20, 2009**

**Guest Speaker is**

**Doug Overstreet**

**“Vandaceous Orchids for Southern California”**

You" made its debut at the East West Orchid Show in October of 1998 and received wide acclaim.

**DOUG OVERSTREET** was born and raised in South-eastern New Mexico and currently resides in Sherman Oaks, California. The son of a floral designer and descendant on both sides from a long line of farmers, Mr. Overstreet comes by his interest in orchids naturally. He began growing orchids at the age of twelve and has been avidly involved in the hobby ever since. He currently maintains a mixed collection of approximately 1,000 plants. A frequent and much-in-demand lecturer on orchids and related topics, Doug has spoken for orchid societies, botanical gardens, including the prestigious Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, and orchid nurseries throughout the Western United States. Mr. Overstreet is noted for his ability to present the complex world of orchids clearly, concisely and in a manner suitable for the advanced enthusiast and yet easily understandable by the absolute beginner. In the summer and fall 1998, he finished the production of the first in a series of videotapes on orchids and their culture. The video, "Anyone Can Grow Orchids...Even

Doug has written a yearlong series of articles on Integrated Pest Management for the Orchid House for *The Orchid Digest* magazine, he also serves on the Publications Committee for *The Orchid Digest* as Assistant Editor. Mr. Overstreet is a Past President of The Southland Orchid Show Committee, sponsors and organizers of The Southland Orchid Show at The Huntington and is also a Past Ribbon Judging Chairperson of the Orchid Society of Southern California. Doug is a Fully Accredited Judge in the American Orchid Society judging system, Pacific South Region.

The topic of this month's talk is: Vandaceous Orchids for Southern California.

Many people think Vandaceous Orchids aren't suitable for Southern California. In fact, there are a number of Vandas and their relatives that thrive in the region. Several genera are presented and discussed in this presentation.

## **Orchid Care Session 7:00pm**

Culture Session: This month's culture session, the culture of Vandaceous Orchids, will be presented by Doug Overstreet. This month's raffle table will be provided by Andy's Orchids. Don't forget to buy your raffle tickets, Andy's plants are of exceptional quality!!

*Susan Amíni*

## President's Message

Tempus Fugit (Time Flees—also known as Time Flies) as Virgil, the Poet would say in Rome about 40 B.C. With the completion of our Orchid Show at the South Coast Botanic Garden and our Golden Age of Orchids display at The Huntington Library, which hosted the AOS trustees meeting this year, we will be looking forward to our Christmas Party. First, though, I thank all who made both our show and our display so pleasant and successful.

Gratitude also goes to **Polly Kissinger** for her extended service as our monthly Ribbon Judging Committee Chairperson. She tendered her resignation and we are fortunate to have **Saul Miller** volunteer for this important position. Saul will continue also as our society Secretary. Thanks, Saul for volunteering your services for this significant meeting attraction. I assured Saul that I would publicize our need for helpers; he will also train and advise everyone who is interested in working on his committee.

When you come to our meeting this month, pick up your Membership Directory for 2009-2010. Eeva has accomplished wonders with updating memberships, other Society addresses, and vendor listings. If you are a new member, I encourage you to read our Membership Information, Society By-Laws, and our Officer and Chairperson position descriptions. Even older members (like me) will enjoy revisiting all of the information available.

*Tom Renger*



How would you judge this display? (It was awarded the Best Display in our Fall Show.)

Get involved !

Contrary to belief, judging is not difficult. If you are interested in learning, call Saul at 310-558-1545. He is waiting to hear from you.

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Rhy Srisiam (Gigantiem x Suree)  
 Photo by Bob Streeter



WE WON BRONZE !

I want to personally thank those who helped to make the South Bay Orchid Society's display at the AOS 'Golden Age of Orchids' Show one of our best ever.

Marla Corey went well beyond the call of duty and worked very late helping me putting the display in and taking it out.

Don Smith went the extra mile to take the display and background plants to the show from the Rengers and back to Dr Miller, who lent us the background plants.

My gratitude goes to Long Ngo for helping to take the display down and transporting all the plants back to the De Youngs drop off point.

Special thanks to the Streeters, De Youngs, Larsons, Marla Corey, Nick Braemer, Bobby Davison, Susan Amini, and many others who made our display by lending us their plants.

Chuck Spain  
 Southland Display Chair

## Fall Orchid Show and Sale Review

**What a great Fall Show we had!** The weather was great, the orchids were beautiful, and the show was well attended. Everything ran smoothly, thanks to the hard work of our committee chairs and everyone who came to help.

**Marilyn Hill and Sue Estes** recruited and organized the hosts and hostesses. They did a good job of keeping an eye on the showroom and answering questions the public might have about our plants and our society.

**Ron Henry** organized the set-up of the show, which involved bringing all of our show supplies from storage, putting up shade cloth and installing additional lighting in the auditorium. He and his helpers also had the responsibility of putting everything back into storage.

**Joann Green and June Brooks** kept the kitchen organized. Everyone was well-fed and ready to work. I'm sure we have the best food of any of the orchid shows.

**Bob Streeter** organized the ribbon judging and recruited excellent judges.

**Sharon Gage, Susan Amini and Ann Rogers** efficiently registered all the plants for judging.

**Eeva Renger** was at the Membership and Information table to welcome our guests, answer questions about our meeting, and to sign up new members. As a result of Eeva's hard work at the show, we have 11 new memberships!

**Don Goss**, our publicity chairman, brought in large crowds with his publicity campaign. He designed the posters and put ads in local newspapers. Thanks to Don, also, for helping Nick with the Orchids-R-Easy talks.

**Art Hazboun** kept the website up to date with details about our show. Many of our guests found

information about our show through the internet. Art, also, was helpful in keeping the raffle running smoothly and announcing the hourly winners.



**Nick Braemer** did an excellent job of organizing the speakers for our Orchids-R-Easy classes. All of the speakers deserve thanks for preparing and giving talks on orchid culture. I'm sure that their knowledge and enthusiasm gave many novice growers the confidence to grow orchids and the more experienced to try new growing techniques. These classes have become a popular part of our shows.

And of course a big "thank you" to everyone who took the time to volunteer to work at the show and bring food. I also want to thank everyone who brought their blooming orchids for judging in our show. There were not as many orchids in bloom the weekend of the show so every plant was even more appreciated. Congratulations to all the winners!

The Fall Show is over and planning for the Spring Show has already begun. Mark your calendar for March 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> at the Torrance Cultural Arts Center.

*Marla Corey*  
Show Chair

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*please join us for the annual*  
**HOLIDAY DINNER!**

december  
18th

*sign up at the*  
**NOVEMBER**  
*meeting and spread the cheer!*

South Coast Botanic Garden  
26300 Crenshaw Blvd. Palos Verdes Peninsula, CA 90274

*AT:*  
*7:00*  
*PM*

### what to expect:

- \* Turkey & Ham brought to you by the Board members.
- \* Fabulous home-cooked dishes from around the world.
- \* A FREE Orchid for each MEMBERSHIP.
- \* LIVE auction for Orchid Wiz + other orchid paraphernalia.
- \* Friends, camaraderie, meeting NEW members and of course lots of Holiday Spirit!

Questions? Contact Kayo @ LILKYKY AT MAC DOT COM or 310.897.8085

**Best of Section Winners  
Fall Show**

**Cattleya Alliance, Bifoliate**

Bob Streeter

BLC Streeter's First "Marcia Streeter"

**Cattleya Alliance, Labia type**

Bob Streeter

BLC Mem. Crispin Rosales "Be Hold"

**Phalaenopsis and Doritis**

Jerri and Nancy Larson

Phal. bellina "Borneo"

**Vanda and Allied Genera**

Ha Bui

V. Robert Delight

**Paphiopedilum and Phragmipedium**

Bob Streeter

Phrag. Grande

**Other Genera**

Saul Miller

Den. Uniflora

**Best Display**

Ha Bui



Paph stonei 'Latifolium' ver Kennedy  
Photo Bob Streeter

***Fresh from the Press...***

New Membership Directories  
are here!

To get yours,  
stop by the Membership desk.

As always, the only way to receive  
your copy is picking it up during  
one of our meetings.

## Orchid Calendar

### Our future meetings are

- ◆ **November 20** (3rd Friday)
- ◆ **December 18** (3rd Friday  
*Christmas potluck*)
- ◆ **January 15** (3rd Friday)

- ◆ **Culture sessions start 7 pm**
- ◆ **General meetings start 8 pm**  
at South Coast Botanic Garden

### Next board meeting will be

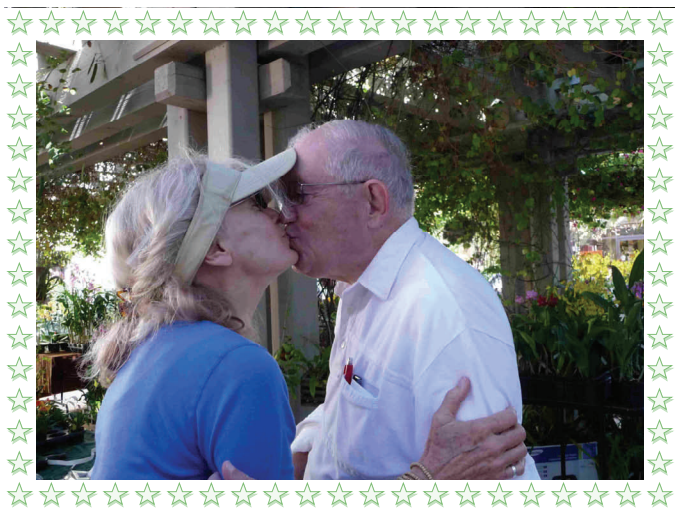
- ◆ **November 24, 2009**  
Call 310-316-0707 for more information

### South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation Upcoming Events 2009

- ◆ 11/14 Chrysanthemum Sale; 9am-4pm
- ◆ 11/15 African Violet Lecture; 2pm-4pm
- ◆ 12/13 Palos Verdes Symphonic Band  
Holiday Concert; 2pm-4pm

Please support our host, the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation for any of these educational and fun filled events. For more information log-on to:

[http://southcoastbotanicgarden.org/  
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### *Welcome New Members*

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☆ Nancy Karschner</li> <li>☆ William Arnold</li> <li>☆ Ray Reyes</li> <li>☆ Margarita Reyes</li> <li>☆ Susie Travers</li> <li>☆ Kathy Martinez</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>☆ Mildred Monroy</li> <li>☆ Jack Allewaert</li> <li>☆ Amy Jo</li> <li>☆ Ann Carley</li> <li>☆ Jo Bostelaar</li> <li>☆ Teri Richards</li> <li>☆ Loi Diep</li> </ul> |
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**Everything Orchids Auction is almost here!**

During our Christmas party, we will auction off Orchid Wiz software — and much more.



Our Auctioneer will be a real farm boy from Iowa. (Guess who?)

*“The Inflorescence”*  
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**NEXT MEETING DATE IS NOVEMBER 20; 3RD FRIDAY**

