

# The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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Founded in July 1957

**Our December 16, 2011  
Meeting is a  
Potluck  
Holiday Feast**



It's time for our annual HOLIDAY POTLUCK, come and join the cheer and camaraderie of this wonderful holiday season with your fellow SBOS members. As always, at the end of the evening, each family membership will receive a free orchid plant for being a valued member of SBOS.

Turkey and ham will be provided by the Society and members are kindly asked to contribute other delicacies for a potluck style buffet. See you all on the 16<sup>th</sup> for a culinary trip around the world.

Kayo needs your attendance confirmation ASAP!

Phone: 310.897.8085 Email: Kayo at Libianoco dot com

She also needs volunteers to help set up for the festivities. If you can help Friday afternoon before the party, it would be greatly appreciated! Please let her know if you are available.



**Please join us this Holiday Season!**

**Who: SBOS Members and Families**

**What: A fun social gathering, and of course, good food!**

**When: December 16<sup>th</sup> @ 7:00PM**

**Where: South Coast Botanic Garden**

**Why: Because it's fun and the place to be!**

*Kayo*



## From the President's Desk

This month we get together to celebrate and enjoy each other's company along with the delicious food contributed by all. This annual Holiday Potluck is enjoyed by everyone as we continue the tradition of supplying the ham, turkey, and non-alcoholic beverages.

We approach the end of 2011 and it's a good time to reflect on this past year and look forward to the future. I want to personally thank the people who generously volunteered their time throughout the year. The hundreds of "behind the scenes" work hours do add up, and without those members we will not succeed. Whether it's writing an article for our newsletter, organizing the monthly guest speakers, signing contracts, emailing newsletters, updating the website, organizing monthly meetings, getting our show together or preparing the monthly refreshments, planning/scheduling special events, paying our membership dues and bills, setting up and tearing down the meetings/shows, etc. I am very grateful for those members who have taken the initiative to sign up and volunteer year in and year out. Thank you!

Since we all have a million things during this holiday season, I will keep my message short but remind everyone that the South Bay Orchid Society Board will provide one orchid plant as our gift (per membership/household) to current members attending the potluck dinner. Hope to see everyone on the 16th of December.

Our society will put in a display at the Newport Harbor Orchid Expo Show & Sale "Romancing the Orchid" in February, 2012 at Westminster Mall. Any member is welcome to volunteer during the show as ribbon judges and various other jobs such as working at the information table, plant hotel, set up, and tear down. If interested, please contact Tina Coombe at

[tina.coombe@me.com](mailto:tina.coombe@me.com)

For show information go to:

<http://www.nhos.org/shows/2012/home.html>



**I wish each of you and your families a Happy & Healthy Christmas and Prosperous 2012.**

*Arthur Hazboun - President and Webmaster, SBOS, Inc.*

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### **HELP WANTED - VOLUNTEER NEEDED - POSITION AVAILABLE - REWARDS PLENTY - SATISFACTION GUARANTEED - PAYS NOTHING**

With very deep regrets I wish to announce that Eeva Renger has submitted her resignation as Newsletter Editor. The society is looking for a qualified individual to take over the editing of our monthly newsletter, "*The Inflorescence*". A working knowledge of Microsoft Publisher, MS Word and Excel will be a plus for any candidate wishing to step in and help out. Internet with email access is a must. Eeva has graciously agreed to train her "replacement" in time for the January newsletter. We will miss Eeva's excellent editing, proofreading, organizing skills, and timely delivery of the monthly newsletter. Please send Eeva a thank you note for her past three years as an excellent editor of the newsletter and her volunteer efforts with the society. Anyone having interest in this position please contact me via email, phone, or during our Holiday Potluck on December 16. Thank you.

*Arthur Hazboun - President*

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## It's the Christmas Plant Exchange Game

This year we are adding a new activity to our Holiday Party and we hope that everyone attending will want to participate. If you bring an orchid plant to play in the game, you will depart with something surprisingly new; additionally, you also receive a free Cattleya at the end of the night.

Here's how it works:

*Prior to the Holiday Dinner:*

1. Each participant selects an orchid from their collection that they are willing to exchange at the party. Please do not buy an orchid, just bring the best possible plant you are willing to part with. Obviously, no diseased specimens, please! Be sure to put a card on the plant with YOUR name on it. No cheating, like putting your name on someone else's plant.

*At the Holiday Dinner:*

1. Bring your exchange plant and receive a raffle ticket at the door. Remember, only people who bring an exchange plant will get a raffle ticket. You got to play to win!
2. Your plant will be placed on the plant exchange game table.
3. When the exchange starts, ONE raffle ticket is selected at random. That lucky raffle ticket holder starts the game off by being the first person to pick whichever plant they want from the table.

4. The name of the person who brought the plant that was selected is then called to pick a plant of their choice and so on until all the plants are gone.

The idea is that if you bring a really attractive plant, the chance of getting your plant selected early on is exponentially in your favor! And this in turn ensures your advantage of choosing from a wide selection of lovely homegrown plants. This should be fun for all who participate, so pick a plant and bring it in!

Nobody wants to be playing this game ALL night long, and we certainly don't want to needlessly bore non-participants, so please limit your exchange plants to ONE plant per person. However, you can have two per family if your membership includes two people.

## Auction During Holiday Potluck



OrchidWiz Express is an easy-to-use application that allows orchid growers to get cultivation and genealogy information for thousands of species and more than 145,000 hybrids. Growers can keep track of their orchids by using the Orchid Journal that is included with the software, as well as print labels for their tags. This version of OrchidWiz comes with more than 4,000 photographs of the most common species and hybrids and is aimed at the beginner to intermediate hobby grower.

Each license allows one user to install and run the software on one computer and requires a one-time activation. The software only runs on Windows XP, Vista or Windows 7 operating systems. The winner has 30 days after installing to activate the software. Annual upgrades are available. OrchidWiz Express retails for \$95.00 plus shipping and handling. For more information on OrchidWiz Express 2012 please go to: <http://www.orchidwiz.com/servlet/Detail?no=48>

1. Complete Hybrid Database
2. 30,000+ Species
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10. F1 Offspring: Progeny
11. Registrant and Originator
12. Primary Hybrids
13. All Aliases / Name Changes
14. "Explain" and Search by Sander vs. RHS Names

A special thank you to Alex Maximiano and Maryanne Hynson from OrchidWiz, LLC. for donating a copy of OrchidWiz Express 2012 Software to the society for our Holiday Potluck auction. For purchasing your own copy of the full version of OrchidWiz Encyclopedia V 8.02 or the OrchidWiz Express version please visit: <http://www.orchidwiz.com>

They are offering a downloadable 30-day Free Trial of OrchidWiz Express.



# Ribbon Judging Results November 2011

## Speaker's Choice

Dendrobium Hilda Poxon Variant

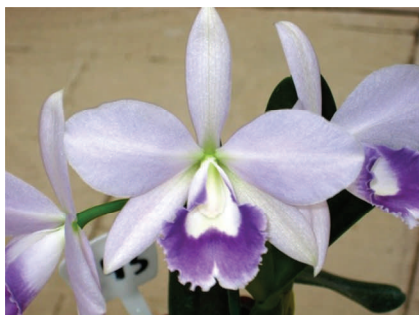
Nick Braemer

## Amateur

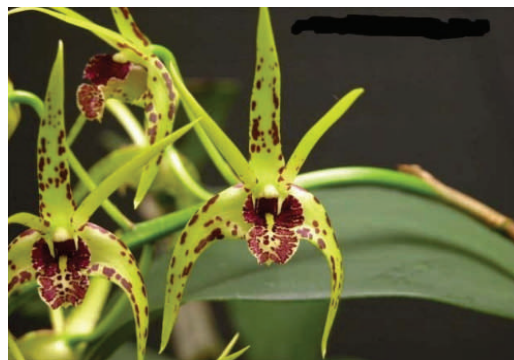
Genera		Plant	Grower
Cattleya	1	L. Disaplanada	Wilma Tawagon
	2	Lc. Blue Angel 'Glove'	Wilma Tawagon
	3	Epicat. Volcano Trick 'Orange Fire'	Wilma Tawagon
Other	1	Onc. Sweet Sugar	Hans Grellman
	2	Brs. Eternal Wind 'Summer Dream'	Braulio Mena
	3	Phal. unknown	Hans Grellmann

## Advanced Amateur

Genera		Plant	Grower
Cymbidium	1	Cym. Traceyanum	Bob Fisher
	2	Cym. Big Deal 'Debbie' x Cym. Tapestry 'Fire Wall'	Bob Fisher
	3	Cym. Hip Hop	Bob Fisher
Cattleya	1	C. guttata x L. purpurata 'Chifoshi'	Jasmine Bashi
	1	C. Sunny?	Larry Bergen
	1	Bpl. Golden Peacock 'Orange Beauty'	Jasmine Bashi
Other	1	Cirropedilum Elizabeth Ann 'Buckleberry'	Polly Kinsinger
	2	Dgmra. Winter Wonderland 'White Fairy'	Bobby Ignacio
	3	Zygopetalum unknown	Larry Bergen



Lc. Blue Angel 'Glove'



Den. Hilda Poxon



Cym. Traceyanum

## Impulse Shopping by Nick Braemer

Any used car salesman worth his salt will tell you that they sell more cars if they fly lots of balloons and flags. Further more, they must be of specific colors, red/yellow/white is good, gray/brown/black is bad. These things have nothing to do with cars but influence your mindset creating a positive wave of enthusiasm. Orchid buying is the same. I don't think I'll buy at another auction and may severely limit my non-planned purchases at orchid shows.

The last two auctions I attended, I purchased a bunch of plants that seemed to be bargains and desirable items at the time of purchase, less so when I looked at them the next morning. They were nice plants at real good prices but under normal circumstances I would not have bought them, they are simply not on my wish list. I was influenced by the hype of the fast moving action and the hoopla of the balloons and flags.

You read of people doing all kinds of things to limit this impulse buying, taking only so much cash, leaving the plastic and checkbook at home, etc. This last Santa Barbara Estates /Cal Orchids open house I passed on. I knew if I went there I would spend at least \$200 on plants I had no idea I needed. I went to Andy's instead for a targeted shopping trip for four plants I wanted at a cost of \$170.

Andy threw me a curve, took me behind the curtain and explored a bench of Pleurothallis which are not part of his regular inventory. Seven were just fantastic, not on his web page, and the rest is history. My skirts were up around my ears, instead of four for \$170, I

came home with nine for \$315. Should have gone to Santa Barbara! Not really, these are unique plants not generally available, I would not give them back.

I don't know what the answer is, avoiding situations where balloons and flags (figuratively speaking) influence your judgment is the obvious one. Finding plants on the internet, making a short list, sleeping on it, researching the plants, revising the list and a week later buying some of them is probably the best way to get new ones and avoid impulse shopping. Maybe Ahnuld can help, he has had a lot of experience with impulse acquisitions.

**Nick**



Pleurothallis

Courtesy of <http://home.howstuffworks.com/pleurothallis.htm>

## Orchid Calendar 2011–2012

### Our future membership meetings are

- ◆ **December 16** (3rd Friday, Holiday Party)
- ◆ **January 20**, (3rd Friday)
- ◆ **February 17** (3rd Friday)
  
- ◆ **Culture sessions start 7pm**
- ◆ **General meetings start 8pm**  
at South Coast Botanic Garden

### Next board meeting will be

- ◆ **January 24**  
Call 310-995-1592 for more info

### South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation Upcoming Events

- ◆ Tram tours most Saturdays at 11am & 1pm
- ◆ Free Admission to Garden every 3rd Tuesday
- ◆ Wednesdays; Duplicate Bridge Class 2:30pm
- ◆ December 11; Christmas Concert 2:30-4pm
- ◆ December 17; Family Picnic 9am-5pm
- ◆ December 17; Gingerbread Workshop 11am-12:30pm

Please support our host, the South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation for any of these educational and fun filled events. For more information and verification of hours and events, visit their website [SCBG](http://www.scbg.org) or call 310-544-1948.

January's guest speaker is Holger Perner from Hengduan Mountains Technologies in China. He will be taking pre-orders for plants to be delivered to the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show in March 2012. For further information, email them at [sales@hengduanbiotech.com](mailto:sales@hengduanbiotech.com) For the list of plants go to: [http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Orchid-List\\_USA\\_Spring\\_2012.pdf](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Orchid-List_USA_Spring_2012.pdf)

The Paphiopedilums which have recently been allowed through CITES for import to this country are on the list. At this time, I have no further information as to additional costs, such as transportation and cities. Any further details or questions can be worked out at the January meeting.

I shall volunteer to pick up the plants at the Santa Barbara Orchid Show in mid March for anyone who cannot make it there.

Get your list together for our January meeting.

### ***Nick Braemer***

Paph. Hellas 'Dr Knock'  
Bobby Ignacio



New members: When you come to the next meeting, stop by the membership desk to pick up your name badge and a membership card. We will include ten free plant table raffle tickets as our "thank you" for joining SBOS.

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**OUR PARTY DATE IS December 16 - 3rd Friday**

### **Upcoming Events**

**Orchid Expo 2012 Show and Sale**

Newport Harbor Orchid Society "Romancing the Orchid"  
February 10-12, 2012  
1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster, CA  
Info: [Newport Harbor Orchid Expo and Sale](#)

**South Bay Orchid Society Spring Show and Sale**

March 3-4, 2012  
Torrance Cultural Arts Center, Torrance, CA  
Info: [SBOS Spring Show 2012](#)

**Santa Barbara International Orchid Show**

March 16-18, 2012 Earl Warren Showgrounds  
3400 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA  
General information: [SB Spring Show 2012](#)  
Email: [sborchidshow@gmail.com](mailto:sborchidshow@gmail.com)