



## The INFLORESCENCE

“Orchids for Amateurs”  
South Bay Orchid Society, Inc.  
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Please join us Saturday, June 22, 2013 for the Installation Luncheon

**Where:** Koi Pond at the South Coast Botanic Garden

**Time:** 11:00 AM – 1:30PM

**Cost:** \$16.00 (Cash or Checks made payable to SBOS)

We are counting down the days until our upcoming Installation Luncheon!

If you wish to join us please e-mail Marla Corey at marlacorey at sbcglobal dot net, call 1-310-833-1918, or drop a check in the mail. She needs to hear from you by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

Marla Corey (Kayo's assistant)  
1958 W. Summerland  
Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275  
A few reminders:

1. Admission to the garden is free with your SBOS member's badge. Don't forget to wear it!
2. For those who missed it last year or if you are interested in it again, there will be a Tram ride that starts at 1:00 PM and lasts till 1:45 PM for \$4.00 per person, CASH ONLY, which must be paid at the admission window prior to entering the garden premises.
3. If you decide to bring a friend who is *not* a member of SBOS, they must pay the entry fee of:  
Adults : \$8.00    Seniors (62+): \$6.00    Students (W/ID): \$6.00  
Children : (5-12): \$3.00    Children (4-): FREE
4. We will be serving Mediterranean fare from *Chicken Maison* this year so come hungry! Non-Alcoholic beverages will be provided but you are more than welcome to BYOB!

## President's Message for June

Another fiscal year in the life of our society is coming to an end. We will be celebrating this event with our annual luncheon at the Koi pond in the South Coast Botanic Garden. Everyone is welcome to attend and join us for a relaxing time of socializing, eating, awards, and the installation of our Board of Directors. The tram tour of the garden will occur at 1PM and we will be eating delicious food, prepared by Chicken Maison, at about 12:30PM. There is still time to sign up for the picnic just contact Marla Corey via email or give her a call.

Charles Brown, our ribbon judging chair, will be announcing the winners of the yearly plant judging results from the meetings and the shows. The winners will receive a complimentary one year subscription (or renewal if you are a subscriber) to the Orchid Digest magazine. He will also be presenting the Orchid Digest Diamond trophy award to an outstanding member of our society in appreciation of their contributions to our society. Come and see who the winner of the award will be!

I want to thank our Board of Directors, our Committee Chairs, and everyone who has worked so hard and given freely of their time to help make our society a success this year. Our meetings and shows would not happen without everyone's hard work and willingness to help. We want to say a special thank you to Eeva Renger, Kayo Libiano, and Lori Storm. Eeva worked on the publicity for the shows, the newsletter, and many behind the scenes jobs. Kayo served as our Second Vice President. She planned our parties and the Santa Barbara Bus Trip. In addition she served as our librarian and designed our displays in other orchid shows. Lori has faithfully sold our raffle tickets each meeting to benefit the society. Each of these wonderful ladies is retiring from their positions this year. We can only wish them well and offer our thanks for their devotion to our society. To Eeva, who is sadly moving out of the area, we hope you will still stay in contact with your friends here in the society. We will miss you and joyfully welcome you back anytime you are in the area.

I would like to encourage all our members to get involved in the workings and planning needed to keep our society strong and active. We still have board positions open and waiting to be filled. We would love to have the input of more members. Please contact any board member to discuss your interest or ideas.

With the new fiscal year about to start it means it is time to renew our memberships again. Yearly dues are from July 1 to June 30 and are a reasonable \$20.00 per year for two persons in the same household. Please check our website to find the renewal form ([SBOS Renewal Form](#)) and watch for further announcements in your newsletters.

Finally I would like to say thank you to Charles Brown for taking over acting president for me at the installation luncheon. I appreciate his willingness to step up and help out. I encourage everyone to attend the picnic and have a great day with your fellow society members.

Enjoy your summer.

*Marcy Bergen*

## HOW THE IDEAL HYBRIDS FEATURES THE BEST OF BOTH PARENTS.

PLEUROTHALLIS BEV DEBRINCANT is a cross between P gargantua and P teaguei. I have all three and have been able to compare their blooming pattern. The hybrid combines the best of both parents in a spectacular fashion.

P gargantua has large, two inch plus flowers, which are deep red except the dorsal lip, which is paler, appearing a little 'washed out'. Usually there is one flower per leaf, but some leaves have two. I have never seen three on a leaf. Andy (from Andy's Orchids) says he has seen them with uniform deep red color and as many as three flowers per leaf. My plant, which has fifty odd leaves and has bloomed many times, has never done this. The bloom pattern is sequential. This spring it will have from twenty to thirty flowers spread over three months. I have never seen more than three flowers at the same time in bloom. Some people prefer sequential blooming, as there is a flower present over a long period of time. I prefer them to make a flush of flowers as it is much more spectacular.

Summing up: P gargantuan has large flowers, a pale dorsal lip, and is a sequential bloomer with a maximum of two flowers per leaf. It prefers cooler conditions for blooming. This is a spectacular plant and I'm not knocking it, the disadvantages are only described for the purpose of this article.

Pleurothallis teaguei is also a great plant. When it is out of bloom, it looks similar to the P gargantua. It's a warm grower, while P gargantua blooms in the cold. The flowers on P teaguei are about 1/3 in size of the other flowers, but it makes seven to ten flowers per leaf. The color is a deep purple and the blooming pattern is more of a flush where the vast majority of flowers appear at the same time.

Summing up: P teaguei is a flush bloomer with smaller size flowers in a deeper color. It offers many flowers per leaf and prefers warm growing conditions.

PLEUROTHALLIS BEV DEBRINCANT. I have two plants of the cross. I had one in the cold house and one in the warm house. The warm one was doing much better. Now both are growing in the warm greenhouse. This spring, the larger of the two plants really demonstrated what this plant can do. It's still young with only five large leaves, but they are all in bud / bloom at the same time so it appears to be a flush bloomer. The flowers are similar to the gargantua in size and shape, but a much deeper uniform color. One leaf has seven flowers all of which are the huge flower size and shape of gargantua.

Summing up: P Bev Debrincant is a flush bloomer offering large flowers with a deep uniform color. It has multiple flowers per leaf and prefers warm growing conditions.

To me, this hybrid truly picked the best feature of both parents. Obviously you want this anytime you hybridize, but it is not always achieved in such a spectacular fashion.

Nick



Pleurothallis gargantua



Pleurothallis Bev Bebrincant

## Membership Dues Change and Renewal Time

It is nearing the beginning of the new SBOS year and next month will be time to renew your membership. The Board recently voted to increase the annual membership dues to \$20 per year. It has been a number of years since the rate has been changed and we have had a drop in our total membership in recent years. This will allow the Society to continue to offer informative programs and raffle plants at the meetings. It is still a great deal. Remember all the benefits you get from being a member:

- ◆ Learn about collecting, growing, and repotting from our monthly meetings' cultural sessions
- ◆ Listen and ask questions of local, national, and internationally recognized orchid experts and view their fabulous photographs, techniques, and presentations
- ◆ Rub elbows with your fellow orchid enthusiast members, ask questions, exchange ideas and learn from each other
- ◆ Win ribbon awards for bringing your own orchids to the meetings; year-end winners receive a subscription to Orchid Digest.
- ◆ Borrow reference books from the SBOS Library
- ◆ Take home fabulous orchids at unbelievable prices through our monthly silent auctions
- ◆ Win orchid plants by participating in our monthly orchid raffle

Renew your membership soon so that your name will appear in the annual directory when it is published in the late fall. Here is a link to the form [SBOS Renewal Form](#) which can also be found in the newsletter. You may send the form and your \$20 renewal fee (per household) to Charlotte Morrison at the address listed on the form, or better yet, please bring the form to the next regular meeting on July 19.

SBOS Membership Renewal

Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_  
 Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_

Please update your personal information and include this form with annual membership dues of \$20. Annual membership runs from from July 1 to June 30.

Paid members names will be published in our annual fall directory, therefore it is important that we have your current contact information.

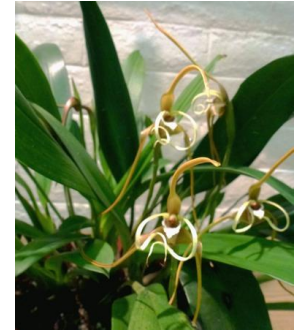
Name(s) as you wish to appear in the Directory	
<b><u>First</u></b>	<b><u>Last</u></b>
Address	Include in directory- If NO- For Board Use only
	Home Phone No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Cell Phone No <input type="checkbox"/>
Email address	No <input type="checkbox"/>

## May Ribbon Judging Results

### Speaker's Choice

Maxillaria Fractiflexa

Nick Braemer



Maxillaria Fractiflexa  
Grown by  
Nick Braemer

### Advanced Amateur

#### Cattleya

- 1<sup>st</sup> Blc Goldenzelle Wai
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Lc Fair Catherine 'Nice Partner'
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Blc Zul 'Waiomao Fantasy'

Larry Bergen  
Cathy Martinez  
Marla Corey

#### Miltonia

- 1<sup>st</sup> Miltonia no-name

Larry Bergen

#### Other Genera

- 1<sup>st</sup> Lycaste Hitomi x Lyc. Shoalhaven

Larry Bergen



Blc. Goldenzelle Wai  
Grown by  
Larry Bergen

### Amateur

#### Cymbidium

- 1<sup>st</sup> Phar Lap Tiki Rose Brooksfred Featherhill

Phyllis DeCrescenzo

#### Dendrobium

- 1<sup>st</sup> D. Spring Dream 'Kumiko'
- 2<sup>nd</sup> D. Findlayanum var. Oculatum

Paul Tamae  
Cathy Martinez



Blc. Zul 'Waiomao  
Fantasy'  
Grown by  
Marla Corey

#### Other Genera

- 1<sup>st</sup> Neofinetia Falcata Shu Ten Nou
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Maxillaria Tenuifolia
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Maxillaria Tenuifolia

Charles Brown  
Cathy Martinez  
Paul Tamae

### Goodbye Eeva



**Tom and Eeva Renger**

On behalf of the board of the directors, the committee chairs, and the entire membership past and present we want to thank Eeva Renger for her past service, dedication, and friendship with the South Bay Orchid Society throughout the years. Eeva will be moving soon and will not be able to participate in the society events. We wish her the very best for the future, continued success, and we certainly will miss her very much.

Eeva's new address: 1412 Highridge Dr. Oceanside, CA 92056,  
email [elrelw@hotmail.com](mailto:elrelw@hotmail.com)

Arthur Hazboun and Charlotte Morrison



## Installation Luncheon Picnic

**June 22, 2013**

Sorry, but I gave out the wrong date for the picnic at the last meeting. The correct date is the 22<sup>nd</sup>, not the 15<sup>th</sup> as I announced at the meeting last Friday night. I hope this has not created a problem for anyone who signed up at the meeting. We will refund money to anyone who has paid and is not able to attend on the 22<sup>nd</sup>.

The picnic will be held at South Coast Botanic Garden on the Koi Pond Patio, which is right behind the auditorium. We will begin to gather at 11:00am to allow time for people to stroll the garden, shop in the gift shop, take a docent led tram tour (check with the garden for availability), or just sit and visit with friends. Lunch will be catered by Chicken Maison and served at 12:30pm. Chicken Maison serves Middle Eastern food and is a popular eatery in the area.

I hope every one is able to attend to show your appreciation to our board members and committee chairs, who work hard to keep our society running. We also will be announcing the winners of the ribbon judging for the year. It will be a lovely day.

If you wish to join us please e-mail Marla Corey at marlacorey at sbcglobal dot net, call 1-310-833-1918, or drop a check in the mail. I need to hear from you by June 15<sup>th</sup>.

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I hope to see you there.

*Marla*



NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS  
**SUMMER EXOTIC PLANT  
AND ORCHID FESTIVAL**

Friday, August 9 - 10 am to 9 pm  
Saturday, August 10 - 10 am to 7 pm  
Sunday, August 11 - 11 am to 6 pm

**WESTMINSTER MALL**  
1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster

**Free Admission & Parking**  
[www.nhosinfo.org](http://www.nhosinfo.org)



Chysis bractescens  
Grown by Nick Braemer

Neofinetia Falcata  
Shu Ten Nou  
Grown by Charles  
Brown



# Orchid Calendar

Our future membership meetings are held at the South Coast Botanic Garden

- ❖ June 22 (4<sup>th</sup> Saturday)
- ❖ July 19<sup>th</sup> (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)
- ❖ August 23 (4<sup>th</sup> Friday)

- ❖ Cultural sessions start 7PM
- ❖ General meetings start 8PM at South Coast Botanic Garden

There will be no board meeting this month

Call 310-326-5405 for more info

## South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation Upcoming Events

- ❖ June 9 So. Coast Fuschia Society Show & Sale 10AM
- ❖ July 28 PV Symphonic Band Pops N Picnic 6PM
- ❖ August 11 Family Music Festival at the Garden 10AM
- ❖ August 11 Summer Floral Design Secrets & Demonstration 1PM
- ❖ August 17 / 18 So. Coast Dahlia Society Show 9AM
- ❖ Each Saturday- tram tours 1 PM

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 <http://www.southcoastbotanicgarden.org>

## South Bay Orchid Society Board

**Acting President:** Marcia Bergen.....310-326-5405  
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*RJS.GES AT GTE DOT NET*

### SBOS Committee Chairs

**Librarian:** Kayo Libiano.....310-897-8085  
**Raffle Tickets:** Cathy Martinez.....310-518-3846  
**Refreshments:** June Brooks.....310-549-4266  
Joann Green .....310-830-1585  
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**Southland Rep.:** Marilyn Hill.....310-675-0604  
**Sunshine:** Kathy West .....310-643-8740  
**Publicity:** Karen Low.....310-541-4412

## Welcome to Our New Members

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

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## OUR MEETING DATE IS June 22nd, 4th Saturday

Santa Barbara Orchid Estate  
Open House  
July 12-14, 2013 Friday / Saturday 8-5  
Sunday 9-4  
Info: <http://www.sborchid.com>

Cal-Orchid Open House  
July 12 – 14, 2013 9AM – 4PM  
Info: <http://www.calorchid@cox.net>

NOTE: There will be **NO** orchid fair at the Earl Warren Showgrounds this summer due to low attendance the past few years. In late 2013 they will evaluate whether the fair will occur in the summer of 2014.

Canaima Orchids Open House  
July 12 – 14, 2013  
3376 Foothill Road. Greenhouse #10  
Carpinteria  
Info : 941-773-2940 or  
<mailto:canaimaorchids@verizon.net>

Fascination of Orchids Show & Sale  
Sept. 28 – 29, 2013 10AM to 5PM  
So. Coast Plaza Village  
Info: [www.ocorchidshow.com](http://www.ocorchidshow.com) or  
Phone 949-735-2930