



Speaker's Choice

Laelia Purpurata Flamea
Grown by Nick Braemer

The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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**Our August 21, 2015
Guest Speaker will be
Brandon Tam
"The Huntington
Library and Botanic
Gardens"**

Brandon Tam has been growing orchids since the age of seven starting with a white flowering Cymbidium his grandmother gave to him. She has been the source of his inspiration to further his studies within the botanical world and pursue a career within that field. She would bring him to their local nursery where she would let him pick a plant each time they went. Over time, not only did his orchid collection grow, but his knowledge in that field did too.

At the age of fourteen, he began volunteering at The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens where he helped out among the different areas of the institution. From tending to the plants of the Conservatory to database entry of pressed specimens in the Herbarium, there were always plenty of opportunities to quench his thirst for plant knowledge.

When Brandon turned sixteen, he graduated from high school and began attending college. In December of 2014, he graduated from the California State University, Pomona at the age of twenty one, with a Bachelor in Plant Science. A few months after graduating high school, the Director of the Botanical Gardens at The Huntington offered him an internship within Orchids to reorganize and perpetuate the collection. Currently at the age of twenty one, he is an Orchid Specialist specializing mostly in Paphiopedilums since a large chunk of the collection at The Huntington consists of that specific genus. The collection contains roughly 16,000 plants.

During his first six months at The Huntington, one of his first tasks with the institution was the accession The Edelbrock Cattleya Collection and the relocation of the Cymbidium Collection to further consolidate the group. Three months later, news came to The Huntington that they would be the recipient of the prestigious S. Robert Weltz Orchid Collection from the city of Montecito in Santa Barbara, California. After receiving the acquisition, Brandon was tasked with taking 28,000 photos of the plants and inventorying/accessioning the collection. As of today, he deals with the day to day operations of curating the collection and lab propagation of rare species.

Brandon stays active in the orchid world by being a member of seven different orchid societies located all over Southern California. He participates in Orchid shows and judging regularly while giving talks to societies in his free time. As of now, his ability to do talks in societies is very limited due to his busy schedule working full time, both at work and as a student.

August President's Message

It is already August, and the hottest time of the year is here. Of course, this also means we are about to enter the fall blooming season, which is always spectacular. I hope everyone is taking special care of their plants so they will be beautiful for our Fall Show and Sale, which is happening on September 19 & 20. This show is when we invite the public to see what our organization is about, and the more lovely, blooming orchids we have on display, the better our society looks. Of course our interaction with the public is important, too. I encourage everyone to sign up to volunteer a few hours of their time to work at the show. Even though I am no longer show chair, I will definitely be there to work, so I hope you are too.

I want to thank Art Hazboun and Karen Low for stepping up to be show co-chairs of our show. I was chair for fourteen years and it was time for me to step down. It was a rewarding experience and I enjoyed working with our members and the vendors to organize our shows. I want to thank everyone for supporting me and donating their time and talents to make the shows successful.

Marla Corey

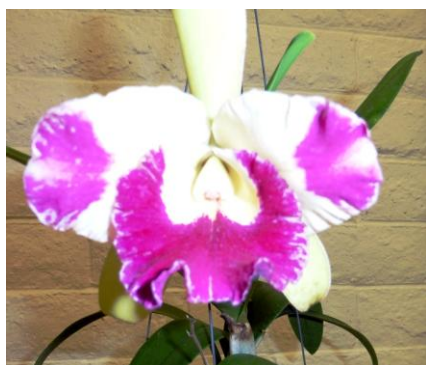
Show Preparation Update



Arthur Hazboun Show co-chair

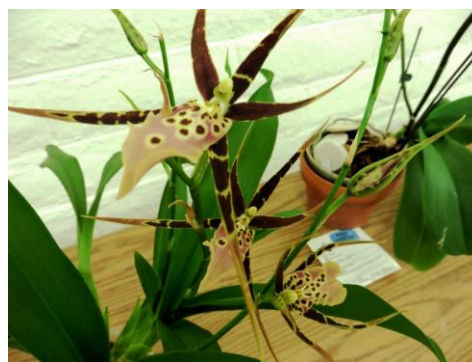
As your newly appointed show co-chair I want to update everyone on our Fall Show/Sale progress. Karen Low and I have been very busy inviting vendors, preparing the showroom layout and contracts, checking and ordering needed supplies, printing flyers and purchasing trophies. Advertising, publicity, and notifications have been sent out to other local orchid societies, newsletter editors, and webmasters. Our webmaster (that's me) will be emailing show announcements to our vast database list, which we generate from previous shows. Please note this will be our **only** show this year (due to the cancellation of the Spring Show) so let's make sure everyone lends a hand or two and volunteer a couple of hours of your valuable time to help us out before, during, and after the show. We need your support. The more people that help out the faster the job gets done and it'll be less work for all of us. Start now by cleaning, staking, grooming your best blooming plants for the show. Contact information for show host/hostess will be listed in the September newsletter. Show setup is scheduled for Friday, September 18 beginning at 10AM, at the South Coast Botanic Garden and plant registration will be on the same day from 4-8PM. Please wear your badge at all times during the show. All show related topics, questions, forms, and rules can be found on our website: <http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html>

Free Orchids



Epic. Ching Hua Splash
Grown by
Felicidad Fernandez

John Jaacks, one of our past presidents, is giving away his fine collection of cymbidiums to members of our society. He and his late wife, Lynn, collected an impressive collection of over 100 cymbidiums and he has now decided they need new homes. If you are interested in taking advantage of this opportunity, phone John at 310-377-4857.



Miltassia Shelob Tolkien
Grown by
Hans Grellmann

It is Membership Renewal Time

Happy New Year! It is the beginning of the new SBOS year and time to renew your annual membership. Annual dues cover the membership from July 1 – June 30 and are only \$20.00. 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 1st place 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 auction
- 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](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Renewal_2014-15_single.pdf) (http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Renewal_2014-15_single.pdf). 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 August 21. Thank you for renewing your membership.

Ribbon Judging Results for July 2015

Speaker's Choice: Laelia Purpurata Flamea

Nick Braemer

Advanced Amateur

Phalaenopsis:

1st: Phalaenopsis Unknown

Hans Grellmann

Cattleya:

1st: Epicatt Ching Hua Splash

Felicidad Fernandez

2nd: Laelia Pulcherrima (Lobata 'Jeni' x Purpurata Flame)

Arthur Hazboun

Other Genera:

1st: Miltassia Shelob Tolkien

Hans Grellmann

2nd: Odcdm Catatante (Onc. Sphacetante x Odcdm wildcatt)

Arthur Hazboun

3rd: Vanda (no ID)

Braulio Mena

Amateur

Phalaenopsis:

1st: Phal. Unknown

Glenda Urmacher

2nd: Phal. Unknown

Glenda Urmacher

3rd: Doritaenopsis Sogo Vieker 'Taida Little Monkey'

Wilma DeGuzman

Cattleya:

1st: C. Intermedia x C. Skinneri

Jim Hoyle

Oncidium:

1st: Oncidium (no ID)

Fe Woods

2nd: Oncidium (no ID)

Fe Woods

Other Genera:

1st: Masdevallia caesia

Jim Hoyle

2nd: Diplocaulobium Tentaculatum

Jim Hoyle

3rd: Mystacidium capense

Jim Hoyle

Oncidium
Grown by
Fe Woods



Odcdm. Catatante
(Onc. Sphacentante X
Odcdm. Wildcatt)
Grown by
Arthur Hazboun





Orchid Show and Sale

September 19 and 20

Orchids-R-Easy Classes All Weekend

Sales: Sat 9-5 & Sun 9-4
 Show: Sat 11-5 & Sun 9-4
 Location: South Coast Botanic Garden
 26300 Crenshaw Blvd., Palos Verdes

- Buy direct from commercial growers
- See award winning orchids/displays
- All day demonstrations on orchid care and repotting
- Stroll the botanical gardens

Admission: \$9 Adults \$6 Seniors
 Free Parking

For all show information and map to gardens:
www.southbayorchidsociety.com



NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY PRESENTS

SUMMER EXOTIC PLANT AND ORCHID FESTIVAL 2015

Friday, August 7 : 10 am to 9 pm
 Saturday, August 8 : 10 am to 7 pm
 Sunday, August 9 : 11 am to 6 pm

WESTMINSTER MALL
 1025 Westminster Mall, Westminster

Free Admission & Parking
www.nhosinfo.org

Congratulations to our Winners!

The Ribbon Judging winners for 2014-2015 are:

Advanced Amateur:

- 1st Wilma DeGuzman
- 2nd Bob Fisher
- 3rd Fe Woods

Amateur:

- 1st Jim Hoyle
- 2nd Kim Ly
- 3rd Saul Miller



Fascination of Orchids Show and Sale

September 26 & 27, 2015 10 am to 5 pm
South Coast Plaza Village
1631 West Sunflower
(Corner of Sunflower & Bear)
Santa Ana, CA 92704

Exhibits • Seminars • Sales

Experience thousands of exotic orchids in a beautiful outdoor setting and learn how to grow and exhibit orchids from local experts.

Parking and admission are free

For more information please call 949.735.2930 or visit ocorchidshow.com



Congratulations to Dr. Bob Streeter Orchid Digest Diamond Award of Excellence Winner !



Dr. Robert "Bob" Streeter has been a very active member of our society since joining in 1977. He served as President in 1982 and 1983. Bob's dedication, enthusiasm, and support to the society is unwavering. He's currently Director Emeritus on our board.

Bob is responsible for organizing the judging at all our shows; he's an accredited CSA judge and was the CSA award chairman for twenty years. He also judges other local societies' events and shows. Bob is very helpful, especially to guests or newer members, by answering their questions and attending to their needs; he's constantly encouraging everyone in the society to participate, volunteer, and help out with the affairs of the society. Bob was awarded a US patent # PP8,541P for his *Cattleya loddigesii* var. *Harrisoniana* 'Streeter's Choice' FCC/AOS in 1993. This bifoliate plant features exceptional substance, magnificent form, and superior flower quality; it is a larger, flatter, more rounded flower with a much longer blooming period. This plant has also been awarded the AOS 'Max' award and a Silver Medal at the WOC in Brazil.

Since his first orchids (*Cattleyas*) 61 years ago, he has accumulated hundreds of plants. He has enjoyed attending four World Orchid Congresses, has received several CSA and AOS awards. He served one term on the AOS Research Committee and has been hybridizing *Cymbidiums* and *Cattleyas* for several years.

Bob is now 88 and has said "that growing this many orchids would either kill him or keep him alive. Guess the latter is winning."

The South Bay Orchid Society is pleased to honor Dr. Bob with great thanks and congratulate him for receiving this much deserved award for his "excellence" for all his years of service.

Arthur Hazboun - Orchid Digest Representative

Orchid Calendar

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

- August 21 (3rd Friday)
 - September 18 Show Setup
 - September 19-20 Fall Show
 - October 16 (3rd Friday)
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- Cultural sessions start 7PM
 - General meetings start 8PM
at South Coast Botanic Garden

The next board meeting will be
August 25

Call 310-833-19118 for more information

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

- **August 1 & 2** So. Coast Dahlia Society Show
- **August 16** Shop & Learn Salvia & The Native Plants of Palos Verdes
12 PM - 2 PM
- **August 16** The Peacocks of Palos Verdes
2 PM – 4 PM
- **August 22** American Begonia Society Show & Sale 9 AM – 5 PM
- **August 23** Windy Ridge Bluegrass Band – The Bluegrass Voice of the South Bay \$15.00 5 PM – 7 PM
Bring a Picnic

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>

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Our Next Meeting will be August 21, 2015

October 16 – 18
Huntington Botanical Gardens
International Orchid Show
The Huntington Library, Art
Collections, & Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, CA 91108

August 1 & 2 The South Bay
Bromeliad Associates Show & Sale at
Rainforest Flora, Inc.
19121 Hawthorne Blvd. Torrance
Sat. 12 PM – 4:30 PM, Sun. 11 AM – 4:30 PM

August 7,8, & 9 Newport Harbor
Summer Exotic Plant & Orchid
Festival Westminster Mall,
Westminster Fri. 10A –9P,
Sat. 10A – 7P, Sun. 11A – 6P info:
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