

Orchid Show
and Sale
September 17 and 18

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

The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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Our Fall Show!!
September 17 & 18, 2016

President's Message - September 2016

Arthur Hazboun

This month I will be doubling up as your acting president, and show co-chair. On September 17th and 18th, at the South Coast Botanic Garden we will have our only show this year. Let's make it a success by volunteering to help out with any activity you're comfortable with and enjoy. Show your support, stay involved, and have fun at the same time. We still have many volunteer positions and various time slots available. The more people we have the less work each of us has to do and it will make for a more enjoyable experience. See the following paragraph if you can help with getting our supplies from storage and the setup with tables in the hall and courtyard on Friday, September 16th. This year the society will feature a "Society Sales Table" with plants donated from various members and purchased plants from nurseries not directly selling at our show. If you're planning on donating any extra plants you have, please bring them to the garden by 8pm on Friday September 16th. We ask that you clean and inspect your donations ahead of time and please make sure they are pest and disease free. If you can volunteer on Saturday please contact Marcy or Larry Bergen, and Charlie Brown for Sunday volunteers (all our phone numbers and emails are listed in this newsletter and your membership directory - editor). Remember this is our society - let's keep it alive and participate. More information on the show can be found on page 2.

Thank you and I hope to see everyone at the show.

South Bay Orchid Society Fall Show and Sale - South Coast Botanic Garden

Our fall show is on September 17th and 18th. Vendors have signed up and our publicity campaign is in full gear, but to make sure the show is a success your participation is needed.

Our show page on the website: <http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/Index.html> has all the information and plant classification and registration forms as well as other valuable show related items.

Set-up: We need help loading our “show stuff” into trucks/vans/suvs from the storage unit and transporting the items to the garden, please call Larry or Marcy Bergen at (310) 326-5405 if you can assist with this. Preparation takes place on Friday, September 16th, at 10am. This involves setting up and arranging vendor booth and display tables in the courtyard, hall, and classrooms as well as draping of the display tables. We can use a lot of help in this - we are extremely short handed.

Plant Registration: Registration will take place on Friday in the hall beginning at 4pm and ending at 8pm. We hope everyone will bring in all their clean, disease free, blooming plants for judging. If you have never entered a plant in for ribbon judging give it a try and maybe you will be a winner. All we ask is that the plants have been in your possession for a minimum of 3 months and be clean, and free of pests and disease. The registration classifications and forms are available on the website if you want to get a head start on the registration process. If you are not sure how to classify your plants, we will have knowledgeable people to help you at registration. Don't wait till the last minute to bring your plants in.

Host and Hostess: People are needed throughout the show hours to talk to our guests and answer any questions. This position is also important for monitoring the entrance and exits and for security. You need to make sure no one touches the plants or walks off with one. The position also includes the “plant hotel” table where people can check in purchased plants, since they are not allowed in the main hall, and the “greeting table” to hand out raffle tickets. If you would like to help on Saturday call Larry or Marcy Bergen at (310) 326-5405 or if you prefer to help on Sunday call Charlie Brown at (310) 377-7083.

Food: Lots of food is needed to feed our hungry volunteers and vendors throughout the show. Call June Brooks (310) 549-4266 or Joann Green (310) 830-1585 to let them know what dish you will be bringing so they can be sure there is enough food to feed our volunteers and vendors.

Plant Hotel: Consider bringing empty clean cardboard boxes, clean empty grocery bags, and newspapers for taking your purchases home. We also need extras for the society sales tables. Thank you.

Take-down/Strike: Will take place right after the show closes at 4:00 on Sunday. We need everyone to pitch in and help make this job go quickly. Larry and his helpers will need assistance in returning and putting our “show stuff” back into storage on Monday. Volunteering a few hours of your time is a great way to get to know your fellow society members and share your interests in our hobby.

REMEMBER TO WEAR YOUR SBOS NAME BADGE FOR THE ENTIRE DURATION OF THE SHOW

Arthur Hazboun, Show Co-Chair

Karen Low, Show Co-Chair

How Do I Prepare A PLANT To BE IN A SHOW?

- Check for 'Critters'; ants, scale, mealy bugs, and eliminate them.
- Stake the flower spike to support a fully open inflorescence or flower.
- Carefully wipe or wash leaves to remove any collected dirt or debris.
- Remove if possible, any dried sheaths.
- Trim off any injured or drying leaves or pseudo bulbs.
- Shine plant leaves with a cotton ball and a mixture of ½ milk & ½ water
- Clean off any debris on mix surface.
- Remove keikis (new baby plants) as necessary – give extras to your friends or pot them up to donate.
- Insert pot inside a larger pot to stabilize the plant and keep it from tipping over (no fancy pots or decorative pots please)
- Step back to see what detracts (spider webs? dirt on pot?,) and remedy the problem.
- Label your pots with your name and address (use a self stick address label and place it on the bottom of your pot).

Membership Reminder

This is the time to renew your SBOS membership. Renewal is only \$20 for one, \$25 for two members of the same household and an additional \$10 if you want the newsletter mailed via USPS. If you have not renewed, your membership has expired and you will not be afforded the benefits of membership listed below:

- ◆ 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 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
- ◆ Take home fabulous orchids at unbelievable prices through our monthly silent auctions
- ◆ Win orchid plants by participating in our monthly orchid raffle

Please use the link here: [SBOS Renewal Form](#) to access the form. Send the form and payment to Charlotte Morrison at the address on the form or bring it to the regular meeting at the Botanic Garden this month.

Ribbon Judging Results for August, 2016

Speaker's Choice: Bc. Marcella Koss 'Pink Marvel'

Bobby Ignacio

Advanced Amateur

Phalaenopsis:

- 1st Phal. bellina
- 2nd Phal. no name
- 3rd Phal. no name

Jerri Larsson
Glenda Urmacher
Braulio Mena

Cattleya:

- 1st C. unknown

Fely Fernandez

Dendrobium:

- 1st Den. Burana 'Jade Fantasy #2'
- 2nd Den. Enobi Purple Purple
- 3rd Den. Burana Charming White

Art Hazboun
Hans Grellmann
Art Hazboun

Epidendrum:

- 1st Reed Stem Epi: Pacific Girl 'Primavera' x Pacific Girl 'Cortes Banks' Hans Grellmann
- 2nd Epi. Orange Glow Art Hazboun

Other Genera:

- 1st Nageliella Purpurata
- 2nd Vandachostylis 'Deep Blue Seas'
- 3rd Oncidium no name

Wilma deGuzman
Earl Felt
Glenda Urmacher

Amateur

Other Genera:

- 1st Paph unknown
- 2nd Onc. Space Noez 'Orange Dragon'

Ruben Chicas
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Fun at
the
Show!



Elegant Orchids
2nd Annual International Orchid Show
and Sale at The Huntington

October 21-23, 2016
Presented in conjunction with
the American Orchid Society
Fall Members' Meeting

Friday: Noon-4:30 p.m.
Saturday & Sunday: 10:30 a.m.-4:30 p.m.

- Exhibits by Southern California orchid societies and international growers
- Orchids and related merchandise for sale from vendors from around the world
- Lectures for beginners and experts alike

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Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens
1171 Oxford Road | San Marino, CA 91108
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**Fascination of Orchids
International Show & Sale**
SEP 24 & 25, 2016 10 am to 5 pm
South Coast Plaza Village
1621 West Sunflower
Santa Ana CA 92704
Exhibits - Seminars - Sales

Experience the Beauty
& the Fragrances of
Thousands of Exotic
Orchids from many
Different Lands

Learn how Local
Enthusiasts Grow,
Bloom & Show
Beautiful Orchids

Admission &
Close-In Parking
are FREE

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(949) 416-0505

When a seedling is not a seedling, or maybe it is a seedling.

This article is for newcomers to the hobby, who are not aware of the double meaning of the word seedling and are not familiar with the concept of seedling variation. Those of you who have been growing orchids for 50 years, a remarkable achievement for someone 48 years old, will be bored, forgive me.

The word seedling may refer to the size of plants. A small plant just out of the community pot with two or three tiny growths is commonly referred to as a seedling. The first two photos (#1 & #2) are pictures of seedlings of Laelia Santa Barbara 'Showtime' HCC/AOS. They are two to three years from blooming. On a different vein, they are really not seedlings as they are clones. Being clones means they came from a preparation from a single plant and all are identical. They have identical DNA. Like identical twins only thousands of them. Each and every one of them will bloom absolutely the same. If you buy a plant like that and they show you the picture of what the flower will look like, you need to ask if they are clones or meristems in which case the flowers will actually look like the picture. So even though all these little plants are seedlings, they are really not seedlings, they are clones.

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The picture of the two large Cattleyas (#3) is of two plants, which certainly have grown up enough not to be referred to as seedlings, being in bloom and 1 1/2 feet tall. Yet they are referred to as seedlings as they originated from two parents, who loved each other very much and created a seed pod. From there the seeds went to a flask, then a community pot, seedling pots, and finally became adults. This describes the progress of these two plants. Both have the same tag: *Laelia warneri* semi-alba 'Showoff' x *L. purpurata* 'El Supremo'. As you can see, the flowers are different, one basically white, the other pink. They are also a little different in height, the pink one being taller. Since they have two parents, they are like siblings and have what's referred to as sibling variation, just like human brothers and sisters. They will look very similar but not completely. Just like the child of two Samoan parents will not look like a Swede but definitely have the characteristics of the parents, these will look very much like the parents however with noticeable variations.

Plants like that will be referred to as seedlings, not referring to the size but to the genetic origins. When buying plants that are not in bloom and you are shown pictures of the parent or parents, you should ask if the non-blooming plant is a seedling. If the answer yes, it will look like the picture you are shown but not exactly.

Nick Braemer - First Vice President



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Orchid Calendar

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

- **September 16 Show Setup**
- **September 17 & 18 Fall Show**
- **October 21 (3rd Friday)**

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

**The next board meeting will be
September 20**

Call 310-995-1592 for more information

South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

- **October** The Great Pumpkin Hunt
- **October 9 & 23** Picnic Day Floss
Silk Trees
- **October 15** Garden Lecture Series
California Native Plants 2 – 4PM
- **October 29 & 30** Annual Model Train
Show 10AM – 4PM

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>



It's fun to work at the show and
meet new friends!

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Sat. & Sun. 10:30AM – 4:30PM
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