



Maxillaria triloris species  
Grown by Jim Hoyle

## The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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**Our July 21, 2017  
Guest Speaker will be  
Karen Muir  
"Maxillaria"**

**Karen Muir** is originally from Michigan where she began raising orchids around 1972. She was a member of the Michigan Orchid Society and held all of the offices of the Society including show chair, program chair, vice president and president. Karen became an accredited American Orchid Society Judge in 1997 and also served five years as the American Orchid Society Chair of the Pacific South Judging Region. She has traveled to Canada, Guatemala, Peru, Ecuador, Brazil, South Africa, England, and Japan to attend and judge orchid shows. She has lectured on the Society circuit in the US, including the California Paphiopedilum Guild, the Slipper Alliance, NCOS (National Capital Orchid Society) Paphiopedilum Forum, two South African Paphiopedilum Conferences and the Paph Forum in London, England. Karen is now the Affiliated Societies Representative and Treasurer for the Orchid Digest.

Karen will speak on the topic of Maxillarias - Wikipedia describes that genus as "a diverse genus, with very different morphological forms. Their characteristics can vary widely. They are commonly called spider orchids, flame orchids or tiger orchids. Their scientific name is derived from the Latin word maxilla, meaning jawbone, reflecting on the column and the base of the lip of some species, that may evoke a protruding jaw."



## July President's Message

Happy New Year to all SBOS members! This is the start of our new year and we are expecting it to be as successful as last year. This is the start of the 60<sup>th</sup> year of the Society, so let's make it a great one! Over the last year we had a successful fall show, a great auction, and a number of wonderful speakers at our regular meetings. That's why the meetings are so great; no matter how long you have been growing orchids, there is always more to learn—both from the speakers and each other. I'm sure our speaker this month will be just as informative. Please make sure you put the meeting on your calendar and make it a point to attend. I know I learn something at each meeting and hope that you do too.

We are coming up on our Fall Show on September 16-17 at the South Coast Botanic Garden, so get your plants ready and be thinking about how you would like to help out. This is one of the two major moneymakers for the society, so it is an important event for us. Please see the article later in the newsletter for information on the show. We need everyone's participation to make it a great event.

I am doing double duty this month as President and Membership Chair so in my membership capacity, this is a reminder that this is membership renewal time. Please see the other article in the newsletter on the subject and send in your renewals or better yet, come to the next meeting and pay then. I would also encourage you to invite others to the meetings and shows—adding new people to our roster will keep SBOS alive for another 60 years!

Have a good month, keep your plants cool in the heat, and we hope to see you at the meeting.

Charlotte Morrison

President for July

### SBOS Membership Renewal

Date paid: \_\_\_\_\_

Amount: \$ \_\_\_\_\_ CK# \_\_\_\_\_

**Please update your information and include this form with annual membership dues.**

**Individual member \$20.00**

**2 or more persons (same household) \$25.00**

**Printed (mailed newsletter) \$10.00**

**Annual membership runs from July 1 to June 30.**

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

<u>First Name</u>	<u>Last Name</u>
<u>Address</u>	Include in directory -- If No, For Board Use only
Send newsletter to address above (\$10/year) <input type="checkbox"/>	Home Phone No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Cell Phone No <input type="checkbox"/>
	Email No <input type="checkbox"/>

**Please bring your membership dues and this form to our next meeting or mail to:**

SBOS, c/o Charlotte Morrison, 414 S. Juanita Ave, Redondo Beach, CA 90277

## It's Membership Renewal Time!

Happy New Year! It is the beginning of the new SBOS year and time to renew your membership! Here is a link to the form [SBOS Renewal Form](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/SBOS%20Renewal%20Form%202017.pdf):

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and you will find it on page 2 in the newsletter. There is no change in the fees this year. It is still \$20 if you have a single membership and \$25 if you have a membership for a household (2 or more people). If you want the newsletter mailed via USPS, it is an additional \$10.00. You may send the form and your renewal fee to Charlotte Morrison at the address listed on the form, or better yet, bring the form to the next regular meeting on July 21. We would love to see you there! Remember the great 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 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



Maxillaria tenuifolia  
Grown by Fe Woods

Maxillaria tenuifolia  
'Waterfield'  
Grown by Bobby Ignacio



Maxillaria tenuifolia  
Grown by Wilma de  
Guzman



## 60<sup>th</sup> Anniversary      Fall Show and Sale September 16-17

### Theme: Celebrating 60 years of "Orchids for Amateurs"

Our fall show is slowly approaching and it's time to look through your orchids for those plants worthy of exhibiting. Our show committee is busy working behind the scenes to make this a truly fun and educational show. Members are requested to volunteer a couple of hours to assist before, during, and after the show. The society will bring back our society sales booth whereby members donate healthy extra divisions or duplicate plants to sell at our show. Look over your collection and consider what you might be able to donate to the society for our sale. Please make sure the plants are virus and pest free and are labeled legibly with the correct name of the plant or the cross. Proceeds will benefit the society to offset the cost of our operating expenses and rentals.

All donated plants for the sale must be delivered to the main hall at the South Coast Botanic Garden during show setup by 8pm on Friday September 15<sup>th</sup>. Do not bring any plants on the weekend of the show. If you have lots of plants to donate and need someone to pick them up please contact a member of our show team for assistance. The society will price the plants and sell them to our show guests during the show. Any plants that are not sold will be offered at future monthly meeting plant table. The website has more show information: [www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html)



**Orchid Show  
and Sale  
September 16 and 17**

**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](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com)**

## AOS Monthly Checklist for July and August

**Cattleya** -- Cattleyas this month require careful attention to their watering and fertilizing needs owing to characteristically high temperatures. Higher light and heat indicate more fertilizer. The growths your plants are making now are the source of this autumn, winter and spring's blooms, so applying adequate fertilizer this month is the best way to ensure future blooms. Higher temperatures and humidity may also lead to fungal or bacterial rot problems, so it is important to closely observe your plants for any early indication of problems. Pests are also at a high point this month for the same reason.

**Paphiopedilum** -- Cooling and air circulation are especially critical in these two months to prevent stress and avoid disease problems. Watering needs to be closely monitored to ensure that plants do not dry out. Warmer-growing hybrids will be at the peak of their blooming, with attention needing to be paid to staking of spikes. Look for water lodging in growths, which can rot emerging spikes and lead to the loss of the entire growth.

**Phalaenopsis** -- Most, if not all, potting should be complete by now. This month and next are when these plants achieve their maximum growth. This growth will be that from which they set their spikes for the coming season. The more leaves the plants grow, the better potential for spiking will be realized. Growers in cooler areas such as the Pacific coast have the advantage this month, should they choose, of cooling for early season spikes. Lots of heat and light call for liberal applications of water and fertilizer.

**Cymbidium** -- Summer can be the most rewarding season for cymbidiums. Growths should be coming strong now. The leaves of the new growths are best when they are broad and fairly stiff. The color should be a light green to nearly yellow. Early flowering varieties should be showing flower spikes, so move the plants into a cooler area with lower light. For mid-season varieties, lower the dosage of nitrogen to assist in spike initiation.

**Vandaceous** -- Plants will be growing quickly now and really enjoying the hot humid days so similar to their native habitat. Watch for pests though, as many of these also enjoy the same conditions as the plants. Check flower spikes so that they can extend unimpeded for the best flower presentation later.

**Oncidium intergeneric** -- Many of the intergeneric crosses between odontoglossums and oncidiums, such as *Odontocidium*, *Wilsonara* and *Colmanara*, will be blooming now. Take special care to train the spikes for best floral display. Keep plants under fairly shady conditions. Watch for snails and slugs.

***The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.***



## Summer Webinars



**Tuesday, Jul 11, 2017 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT**  
Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton, Please send your questions to [stillisch@cox.net](mailto:stillisch@cox.net) by July 9th. Open to all.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7631180625618853635>



**Wednesday, Jul 19, 2017 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT** Join Dennis Whigham, Senior Botanist of the North American Orchid Conservation Center, division of the Smithsonian Institution as he discusses the coalition of associations dedicated to preserving native species. Members only.

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/6929416230293772035>



**Tuesday, Aug 8, 2017 8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT** Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton, Please send your questions to

[stillisch@cox.net](mailto:stillisch@cox.net) by August 6th. Open to all.  
<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/7707356990214464771>

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

- **July 21 ( 3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)**
- **August 25 ( 4<sup>th</sup> Friday)**
- **September 15 Show Set Up**
  
- ❖ **Cultural sessions start 7PM**
- ❖ **General meetings start 8PM  
at South Coast Botanic Garden**

**The next board meeting will be  
July 25**

**Call 310-316-8193 for more information**

**South Coast Botanic  
Garden Foundation**

- **July 16 Palos Verdes Symphonic  
Band    Pops N Picnic 6 PM \$10**

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>



Maxillaria scalariformis  
Grown by Nick Braemer

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## Our Next Meeting is July 21, 2017

**July 1 Sunset Valley Open House**  
9AM - 4 PM 1255 Navel Place, Vista  
11A - 2P Free street tacos  
<http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com>

**July 7 - 9 Andy's Orchids Summer  
Open House** 10 AM - 4 PM  
734 Ocean Ave., Encinitas  
<http://www.andysorchids.com>

**July 14 - 16 Summer Open House  
CalOrchid and Santa Barbara Orchid Est.**  
Friday / Saturday 8 - 5, Sunday 9 - 4  
<http://www.calorchid.com>  
<http://www.sborchid.com>

**July 28 - 30 Newport Harbor Orchid  
Society Exotic Plant & Orchid Festival**  
Saturday 10 - 9 Sunday 11 - 6  
Westminster Mall, Westminster  
<http://www.nhosinfo.org>

**August 5 & 6 Bromeliad Show & Sale**  
Rainforest Flora Inc.  
19121 Hawthorne Blvd., Torrance  
Show hours Sat. 12 - 4:30, Sun. 10 - 4:30  
Sale hours Sat. 10 - 4:30, Sun. 10 - 4:30

**August 26 Palos Verdes Begonia  
Society Begonia Show & Sale**  
South Coast Botanic Garden  
26300 So. Crenshaw Blvd.,  
Palos Verdes 9AM - 4 PM

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