

Cymbidium Unknown Grown by David West

## The INFLORESCENCE

"Orchids for Amateurs"

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Our May 17, 2019 guest speaker will be Carol Buele "Lycastes" and also election night.

**Carol Beule** is an **emmy** award winning Costume Designer with a Master of Fine Arts in both Costume and Lighting Design from the **University of Wisconsin, Madison**. She has been a professional Costume Designer since 1974, and has designed for Film, Commercials, Theatre productions, and TV shows. She lived in NYC the first fifteen years of her career and has just recently retired after growing orchids in Southern California for the past twenty five years.

Growing orchids in NYC was not considered a possibility, so she has grown orchids only since moving to Southern California in 1992. Growing outside with no greenhouse in Studio City at the edge of the San Fernando Valley is sometimes problematic. With temperatures ranging from 28 to 111 Fahrenheit, and humidity as low as 7% at times, it is always interesting. It has been her quest to find out what will and will not bloom and prosper under these circumstances.

In her search to find the perfect plant for her growing area, Carol discovered the Japanese orchid called Neofinetia (Vanda) falcata and various other species that thrive outside in Southern California. Carol also grows various forms of Paphiopedilum, Phalaenopsis, Cattleya, Laelia, Dendrobium, Sarcochilus, and Asian Cymbidiums.

Lycaste is a species that is native to the New World and is found from the Tropic of Cancer to the Tropic of Capricorn. While they are often thought to be a greenhouse orchid, they can be grown alongside Cattleyas and any other outdoor growing temperate climate range orchid, when their specific moisture needs are met. They also can easily become very large specimen plants.

Carol is an AOS Associate Judge, the 1st VP of the Orchid Society of Southern California, serves on the Board of Orchid Digest and is on the committee that creates OSSC's display for the Huntington's annual October Orchid Show. She has just started a new business venture....making original artistic ceramics for Asian orchids, which includes presentation pots for Neofinetia falcata (Vanda), Bonsai and Cymbidiums.

### May President's Message

Welcome to May. We are now seeing the results of all the rain water we received. You should be seeing fresh new root growth and new bulbs. As your cymbidiums lose their flowers, it is time to begin your analysis for the next year. My suggestion is to make decisions for the next growing season. If your pot is completely full or you have pseudobulbs growing over the edges of your pot, it may be time to repot. You can select a larger pot, or divide your plant into multiple pots. Remember when dividing your plant to have at least 3 to 4 bulbs in each pot. When choosing a new pot, a good idea is to select one that will allow room for at least two to three years growth. It is wise to put a name tag in the bottom of your new pot prior to adding growing medium, in addition to the tag at the top. When placing the plant in the pot, place the active growing pseudobulbs away from the farthest side of the pot to allow for growth in that direction. I encourage everyone to use Nutricoat Advantage fertilizer as a top dressing. I put a small handful on all of mine. You will want to remove all of the old flower growths. Also remove last seasons leaves which have turned brown. Finally remember to change your fertilizer from 10-10-30 to 30-10-10. If you work with your cymbidiums now, you should be able to look forward to a wonderful blooming season next year.

If you have back bulbs you can attempt to start a new plant by placing the pseudobulb(s) and a little bit of water and a name tag in a plastic bag. Seal the bag and place the bag is a dark location (the garage is a perfect location). Remember to check back in a couple of months to see if you have new growth on the back bulbs.

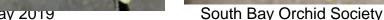
Although your orchids are just starting their new growing season, it is time to begin thinking about the fall show. You can place stakes for the new growths. This will make it easier when the flowers develop. Try to have your plants free of disease. Now is a good time to begin a spraying regime to eliminate those pesky bugs. I use Fertilome Triple Action from Yamada every two weeks. Good luck with all your orchids.

I am looking forward to seeing everyone at the May meeting and viewing your wonderful plants. We will be holding elections for board positions. We are always interested in new volunteers to join our board. Please contact any board member listed in the newsletter if you are interested in helping SBOS.

Sincerely,

Larry Bergen, Acting president







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#### South Bay Orchid Society Board of Directors Roster 2019-2020

President – Open

1st Vice President – Open

2nd Vice President – Charlotte Morrison

Treasurer – Joe Woods

Secretary – Larry Bergen

Membership Chair – Charlotte Morrison

Directors – Charles Brown, Jerri Larsson, Braulio Mena,

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This month we elect our Board members for 2019-2020. If any active SBOS member would like to volunteer to join the Board to fill any open positions, please contact any board member. The Board of Directors consists of twelve elected positions of which at least nine must be filled in order to conduct business. Additional directors may be appointed as needed by the board. Persons on the board may serve in more than one capacity. If there are no persons seeking the office of President, the board will rotate the role of President on a monthly basis among themselves. Voting may be either by written ballot or by a showing of hands.

The following positions are appointed and approved by the board of directors:

Newsletter Editor – Marcy Bergen Show Co-Chair – Arthur Hazboun Webmaster – Arthur Hazboun

Appointed committee positions:

Refreshments - Helen Miyake
Raffle ticket sales - Joe Woods
Monthly Ribbon Judging - Charlie Brown
Property Manager - Ron Henry
Meeting Setup - Open
AOS and Orchid Digest Liasion - Arthur Hazboun
Publicity - Open

#### President – Open

The President is the Chief Executive of the Society and manages the affairs of the Society. The duties include presiding over both the monthly meetings as well as the monthly board meetings, and ensuring that the Society's funds are adequately protected and used solely for the purpose of furthering the mission of the Society. The President is responsible for securing the monthly meeting place and Board meetings, and negotiating and signing agreements or contracts. The President is one of the three signatories on the society's bank accounts.

#### First Vice President - Open

It is the responsibility of the First Vice President to arrange for speakers at the regular monthly meetings. At each monthly meeting there is a lecture on some facet of orchid culture, identification, natural habitat, or of some other topic of interest to the membership. The First Vice President ensures that there is a lecture, a culture session, and also a plant table at each monthly meeting. The first Vice President also attends each monthly board meeting.

### Ribbon Judging Results for April, 2019

#### **Advanced Amateur**

Cymbidium:

1st Cym. No name David West

2nd Cym. Fifi 'Harry' Fe Woods

Dendrobium:

1st Den. Speciosum x Den. Kingianum 'Easter Parade' Arthur Hazboun

2nd Den. Miyakei Arthur Hazboun

3rd Den. Vista 'Red Coral' Braulio Mena

Phalaenopsis:

1st Golden Leopard David West

2nd No name Jean Bond

3rd D. Taisuco Kochdian x D. Ching Hua Magic Jean Bond

Oncidium:

1st Onc. Aloha Iwanagara Arthur Hazboun

2nd Onc. Gower Ramsey Arthur Hazboun

Other Genera:

1st Aergs. fastuosa Braulio Mena

2nd Leptotes bicolor Braulio Mena







Pot Eye Candy 'Mellow Yellow'

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Cym. Fifi "Harry"



Den. Speciosum X Den Kingianum 'Easter Parade"





Onc. Aloha Iwanaga



D. Taisuco Kochdian X

Den. Miyakei



Den. Vista 'Red Coral'





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#### **Hatfield Orchids**

George Hatfield owner of **Hatfield Orchids** will again be selling his award quality Cymbidiums at Yamada Company (706 W. Gardena Blvd. in Gardena) from January 2019 to June 2019. Sale will be on Saturdays the first and third weekend of the month from 10:00am to 1:00 pm.

A hands on potting demonstration will be held at 11:00am. If you have any cultural problems with your Cymbidiums bring them to the sale so we can evaluate and give you advice.

Suspect virus. bring a cutting of the leaf in a plastic bag and we will test for virus (\$5.00) per test.

Sale dates May1, May18, June 1, June15



Sale & Auction

Saturday, May 11, 2019



Sale & Preview 10:00 am - 11:00 am Auction 11:00 am - 3:00 pm

Sale of blooming orchids & arrangements for Mother's Day Over 300 plants to be auctioned Plant raff e for auction participants We accept all major credit cards, checks, and cash

Lake San Marcos Conference Center 1035 La Bonita Drive San Marcos, CA 92078

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

- May 17, 2019 (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)
- June 21, 2019 (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)
- July 19, 2019 (3<sup>rd</sup> Friday)
- Cultural sessions start 7PM
- General meetings start 8PM at South Coast Botanic Garden

The next board meeting will be May 21, 2019

Call 310-326-5405 for more information

# South Coast Botanic Garden Foundation

- May 5th Epiphyllum Society Show and Sale
   9 am – 4 pm
- May 13th Mother's Day Music in the Garden Palos Verdes Symphonic Band 3 pm – 5 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



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## Our Next Meeting is May 17, 2019

May 11, 2019 Palomar Orchid Society presents 2019 Sale and Auction Preview 10am – 11am Auction 11am – 3pm Lake San Marcos Conference Center 1035 La Bonita Dr. San Marcos, CA <a href="http://www.palomarorchid.org">http://www.palomarorchid.org</a>

May 16, 2019 San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists Annual Auction LA Arboretum and Botanic Garden 301 N. Baldwin Ave. Arcadia, CA <a href="http://sgvoh.org">http://sgvoh.org</a>

June 8, 2019 Orchid Digest Speakers Day 'Orchids Around the World' Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino CA 12:00pm – 8:00pm Reservations \$20 until June 1, 2019 <a href="http://www.orchiddigest.org">http://www.orchiddigest.org</a>

July 12 – 14, 2019 Santa Barbara Orchid Estates and Cal Orchid Summer Open House

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September 14 – 15, 2019 South Bay Orchid Society

Show and Sale