

The INFLORESCENCE

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our July 19, 2019 guest speaker will be David Konishi
“All About Plumerias”**

This month's speaker is David Konishi, owner of Konishi Plumerias in Cypress, California. Since quite a few of our orchid society members are growing fragrant Plumerias we decided to invite David to give us some cultural and growing tips on how to get our trees to thrive and bloom. David is an excellent grower and hybridizer of Plumerias. He's involved with the South Coast Plumeria Society and is one of the administrators of the Plumeria Growers page on Facebook. The Plumerias love our South Bay climate and grow very readily with little care. Plumeria flowers are most fragrant at night in order to lure sphinx moths to pollinate them. The flowers yield no nectar and simply trick their pollinators. The moths inadvertently pollinate them by transferring pollen from flower to flower in their fruitless search for nectar. Insects or human pollination can help create new varieties of Plumeria. Plumeria trees from cross pollinated seeds may show characteristics of the mother tree or their flowers might just have a totally different new look.

The genus is named in honor of the seventeenth-century French botanist Charles Plumier, who traveled to the New World documenting many plant and animal species. The common name "frangipani" comes from a sixteenth-century marquis of the noble family in Italy who claimed to invent a plumeria-scented perfume, but in reality made a synthetic perfume that was said at the time to resemble the odor of the recently discovered flowers.

Plumeria* is a genus of flowering plants in the dogbane family, Apocynaceae. Most species are deciduous shrubs or small trees. The species are indigenous to Mexico, Central America and the Caribbean, and as far south as Brazil and north as Florida, but are grown as cosmopolitan ornamentals in warm regions. Common names for plants in the genus vary widely according to region, variety, and whim, but Frangipani or variations on that theme are the most common.

- <https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Plumeria>
- Arthur Hazboun has started the South Bay Plumeria Society on Facebook and it can be accessed by visiting the site here: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/933680683354748/>

The plant raffle table will be provided by David Konishi and by SBOS.

July President's Message from Braulio Mena

As summer solstice began on June 21st, we are reminded how Southern California summers affect our orchids, just as much as winters do. Remember to keep those plants that are sensitive to the sun, away from direct sunlight to avoid leaf burn. For those plants that require it, increase the humidity and help control high temperatures. An occasional water misting paired with air-flow from a fan, can help cool the air around your plants and bring temperature down.

Remember the Society's Fall Show and Sale is fast approaching. This year we will have a member's sale table. All proceeds will go to benefit the society. So as you clean and divide your plants, you might consider donating one of the divisions. We will give one raffle ticket for each donated plant and one for each person that works a shift at the fall show. At the October meeting we will have two nice plants to raffle. We will raffle one plant for members that worked the show, and one for those that made donations. If you enjoy our society as much as I do, please dedicate a little of your time to make this show and many other events a success, so that our society can continue providing another 60 years of enjoyment for us, and future members. We will have a sign-up sheet at the July and August meetings for show volunteers. Please sign up and dedicate all the time that you can to the show. Member participation at all society events is crucial. The board members cannot handle all the work alone.

I had a great time listening, and learning from Brandon Tam at our last meeting. It is always such a treat to have him speak at our society.

Have a great and safe 4th of July celebration everyone.

Congratulations !!

Congratulations to the winners of the yearly plant ribbon judging. First place winners receive a one year subscription to Orchid Digest. Second and third place winners receive raffle tickets.
Amateur: 1st Dorris Han 2nd Luda Kuprenas 3rd Pat Jones Kennedy
Advanced Amateur: 1st David West 2nd Jim Hoyle 3rd Arthur Hazboun



Ribbon Judging Results for June, 2019

Speaker's Choice: Rossioglossum Rawdon Jester Charles Brown

Advanced Amateur

Cattleya:

1st Laelia Latona x Minerva Kathy Synstelien

2nd Laelia Pacavia x L.C. Randy Kathy Synstelien

Phalaenopsis:

1st Dtps. T. J. purple queen Glenda Urmacher

2nd Phal. No name Glenda Urmacher

3rd Phal. No name Glenda Urmacher

Cymbidium:

1st Cym. Little Black Sambo Glenda Urmacher

Vanda:

1st Ascf. Cherry Blossom 'Hawaii' Charlotte Morrison

2nd Vanda Nakano luaoa – Aseda Yip San Wah 'Red Flags' X Neo falcate 'RC-Z'
Unknown

Other:

1st Aerangis Elro Kathy Synstelien

2nd Mormolyca Ringens 'Hobgoblin' Jim Hoyle

3rd Onc. Sharry Baby 'Tricolor' Braulio Mena

Amateur

Phalaenopsis:

1st Phal. Sogo Yukidian Karen Hasson

2nd Phal. Unknown Luda Kuprenas



Membership Renewal

It's time to renew your SBOS membership! Here's a link to the renewal form.

<http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/SBOS%20Renewal%20Form%202017.pdf> 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 19. We would love to see you there!

Remember the great benefits:

- ◆ 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; first place 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

Membership Renewal

Volunteers Needed!

We are looking for a volunteer to assist with reviewing the SBOS account books for an audit once a year. This usually takes place in the spring. Please contact Joe Woods at 310-641-0730 if you will be willing to assist with next year's audit.

Thank you!

A Note of Thanks from the Family of David Okihara

The Society received a beautiful Thank-you card from Lisa Yamaguchi, sister of David Okihara. She thanked us for the In Memoriam we wrote about David, the words that were shared by those that attended his service, and the donation that was made in his memory.

IMPORTANT NEWS!!

Plant Judging Update: Starting with the June 21st meeting, all plants brought in for judging must be labeled and on the tables by 7:15pm. They must have the owner's name on the judging slip in order to receive a free raffle ticket. Please also make sure your writing is legible. Make it easier for Charlie to judge the plants each month!

Fall Show Information: Larry Bergen and Braulio Mena will work in the Society's Fall Plant Sale Booth. We will give one raffle ticket for each donated plant and one for each person that works a shift at the fall show. At the following meeting we will have two nice plants to raffle. One plant for members that worked the show, and one for those that made donations. Members are responsible for keeping track of their raffle tickets.

Annual Fall Show and Sale - September 14 & 15

Our annual Fall Show and Sale at the South Coast Botanic Garden is slowly approaching. As usual we need volunteers helping setup, working at different capacities throughout the show, and final tear down. Please start looking over your plants and decide which ones are worthy of bringing in to the show to display and compete for ribbon judging and trophies. Make sure the plants are virus and pest free, clean and labeled legibly with the correct name of the plant or the cross. All plants must be delivered to the main hall at the garden during the show setup day on Friday, September 13, 2019 by 8pm.

This year we are bringing back the "society members sales booth" to raise needed funds for the society. For each donated plant you give we will reward you with one free raffle ticket. We will have a special raffle at the October meeting for all the members who donated plants and all the volunteers who assisted with the show. Help us please and advertise the show by distributing show fliers, which will be available at the July meeting. Please support your society by participating and volunteering, the board can only do so much, and your help is urgently needed. Volunteer sign-up sheets will be available at the July and August Meetings.



**Orchid Show
and Sale
September 14 & 15, 2019**

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**

For further information on the show click visit the show webpage here: [Fall Show 2019](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com) or click this link <http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html>

information

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

- July 19, 2019 (3rd Friday)
- August 16, 2019
- September 13 Show Setup
- September 14 & 15 Fall Show

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

The next board meeting will be
July 23, 2019

Call 310-413-3259 for more information

**South Coast Botanic
Garden Foundation**

- **July 6, 2019 Good Bug Bad Bug:
Sustainable Integrated Pest
Management 10am – 12pm
\$14.00 - \$19.00**

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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June Speaker's Choice:
 Rossioglossum Rawdon Jester
 Grown by: Charles Brown

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Our Next Meeting is July 19, 2019

**July 12 – 14, 2019 Santa Barbara Orchid Estates Summer Open House 1250 Orchid Dr. ,
Santa Barbara Fri. / Sat. 8am – 5pm Sun. 9am – 4pm <http://www.sborchid.com>**

**July 12 – 14, 2019 Cal Orchid's Summer Hummer 1251 Orchids Dr., Santa Barbara
9am – 5pm <http://www.calorchid.com>**

**July 19, 2019 Orchid Odyssey – San Diego Zoo's orchid greenhouse is open to the public
10am – 2pm**

**July 28 San Diego County Orchid Society Show and Sale 'Orchids in the Park' Balboa Park-
Casa Del Prado, Room 101, San Diego Saturday 12 – 6pm, Sunday 9am – 4pm
<http://sdorchids.com>**

**August 16 – 18, 2019 Newport Harbor Orchid Society Exotic Plant & Orchid Festival
Westminster Mall Friday 10am – 9pm, Sat. 10am-8pm, Sun 11am-6pm. <http://nhosinfo.org>**

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