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"Orchids for Amateurs"

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Our February 18, 2022 guest speaker will be Tim Culbertson "Miniature Catasetums"

Although Tim teaches middle school kids for a living, one of his passions has always been plants. He began growing orchids as an off-shoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning, it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 1000.

While he loves finding old, rare stepping-stones in paph breeding, he also does a little hybridizing of his own, and growing up his own babies is a blast. Tim enjoys making his culture the best it can be, and he has had numerous experiences with professional growers in California and on the East Coast, which has helped tremendously.

Tim is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and has served in various capacities with local orchid societies. He loves meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds him traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip.

Tim likes to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, he's worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium.



February 2022 President's Message by Braulio Mena

Hello fellow society members.

As we step into the second month of this new year with a faint hope that it will be better than last, we encounter similar challenges as the previous year. With the COVID numbers on the rise, we had no choice but to cancel our first meeting of the year, as many other societies did as well. We hope that we don't need to cancel this month's meeting, but if we do, it will be with everyone's health in mind.

So as of right now, we still have our February meeting scheduled for the 18th, and our guest speaker will be Tim Culbertson on Miniature Catasetums. We WILL NOT be serving any refreshments at the meeting. Please bring your vaccination card and wear masks. Also, don't forget to bring your blooming plants for display or judging. Please have your judging entries on the table NO LATER than 6:15PM to be considered.

Our spring show is still scheduled for March 19-20 and is quickly approaching. This has proved to have challenges on it's own. With SDCOS changing their spring show date to the same weekend as ours, it just added one more issue to the list. Nevertheless, we promise to do our best effort to have a very successful and enjoyable show for everyone attending and we have an excellent list of vendors confirmed. This brings me to remind you all that anyone that is able to volunteer to help at the show, at any capacity (set up / take down and judging assistance), please get in touch with any board member (contact info in newsletter) and let us know if you are interested in helping. Charles Brown will sign up Saturday volunteers (310-377-7083) and Marcy Bergen will sign up Sunday volunteers (310-326-5405). We only ask for a few hours of your time. Shows bring a great revenue to cover the many expenses that running a society entails, so we need all the volunteers we can get.

Hope to see you all again soon, and please stay safe and healthy.



AOS Monthly checklist for January and February plant care Written by Ned Nash and James Rose

<u>https://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/january-february-checklist.aspx</u> Webinars:

Evolution of LED Lighting Tuesday, Feb. 15th 5:30 pm - members only Enroll at: https://www.aos.org/all-about-orchids/webinars/member-only/evolution-of-led-lighting.aspx **Greenhouse Chat** Wednesday, Feb. 23rd 5:30 pm – open to public Enroll at: https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/2498970446303140109

Send in your questions by Feb 20, 2022 to greenhousechat@aos.org

Spring Show and Sale March 19-20, 2022 Palos Verdes Art Center

Yes, it's true the Spring Show and Sale is coming back after a long hiatus (not only from the pandemic!) at our new location the Palos Verdes art Center.

Let's make up for lost time and make sure the show will be up to our expectations and would continue to attract guests and the public to future events.

The show committee along with the board members can only do so much; we are tired but will continue to do the best we can to keep SBOS thriving under the circumstances. Volunteers are a very important integral part of this and every show; we desperately need your help. We will have volunteer sign-up sheets at the February 18 monthly meeting, please consider signing up for at least a couple of hours during the show. Charlie Brown will recruit volunteers for Saturday and Marcy and Larry Bergen are in charge of volunteers for Sunday. Their contact information is listed in this newsletter and membership directory. Please be advised that ALL volunteers, attendees, vendors, visitors, employees, guests, and anyone else participating in the event must be vaccinated and facial (mouth and nose) mask coverings must be worn at all times. Subject to the latest LA County health department guidelines - we will adhere to whatever the policy is in effect at show time. If you are volunteering make sure you wear your SBOS badge at all times during the event and show up on time for your scheduled shift. South Bay Society members who are not volunteering or exhibiting for the show will be required to pay the entry fee if attending. Show fliers will be available at the February meeting, take a few to distribute and advertise our show.

Plant registration for the plants entered into ribbon judging competition will take place in the Atrium on Friday, March 18th from 12 noon till 7pm. Do not bring your plants at the last minute! We will not be able to accept and log them in. We have very strict time guidelines that we must adhere to. Do not be deterred from exhibiting your plants because you are inexperienced. Clean and inspect your plants thoroughly, flowers should be staked, water your plants ahead of time before bringing them. Check for pests, diseases, remove shriveled pseudobulbs, clean the leaves, etc... We reserve the right to reject any plant not meeting our guidelines for exhibiting. We will have members on hand to assist with filling out your plant tags and entries. Don't forget to put your name with your phone number on the bottom of the pot or on a tag in case the entry ticket gets separated from your entry.

Please do not bring any prepared food of any kind to the show/sale to share with volunteers and vendors - we do not have the use of a kitchen facility. If you must eat consider bringing your own snacks or lunch and eating it outside or in your vehicle. We apologize for this inconvenience. The society will provide water and coffee only. Due to space limitations, there will not be any Orchid 101 classes or any vendor exhibits.

Arthur Hazboun - Show Chair

IT IS MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL TIME!!

Time to Renew Your Membership! We are changing our membership year to run from January 1 to December 31, so please plan to renew soon. Here is a link to the form http://southbayorchidsociety.com/Renewal Form 2022s.pdf and you will find it 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 to cover the mailing cost. 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 February 18th. We would love to see you there! Remember the great benefits you get from being a member:

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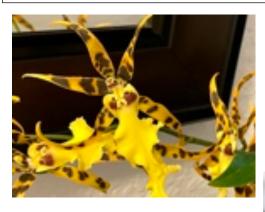
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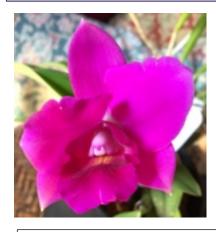






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Grown by David West



Slc. Sierra Doll 'Little River' X Lc. Mini Purple Bonanza AM/AOS





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Blc. Schroder's Love 'SVO' AM/AOC X Blc. Guess What 'SVO' AM/AOS



Cym. Brave Sarah 'Hatfield's 4N X Cym. Mem. Dick Swain 'Louise'

Grown by Arthur Hazboun



Cym. Agnes Norton 'Bit 'O Honey'



Odcdm. Wildcat 'Carmela"



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Bllra. Tropic Lily 'Hilo Space Ship'



Blc. Sea Urchin 'Satin Doll'







Bcd. Gilded Tower 'Yellow Star'

Our future membership meetings are held at the Palos Verdes Art Center

- February 18, 2022
- March 19 & 20 Spring Show
- April 15, 2022
- ♦ Cultural sessions start 6 PM
- ♦ General Meetings start 7 PM

The next board meeting will be February 22, 2022 7PM

Call 310-413-3259 for more Information



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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE FEBRUARY 18, 2022

Hatfield's Cymbidium Orchid sale at Yamada's.

706 W. Gardena Blvd, Gardena 310-327-5668

Entrance tickets are handed out starting at 7AM at the gate to control Covid precautions. Gate opens at 10AM for the sale. Two plants allowed per customer at the first round of sales.

Sale dates: February 5th and 19th
March 5th and 19th

Call to confirm sale before you attend.

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Cancelled Events

February 11 th to Feb. 13th Newport Harbor Orchid Society Annual Orchid Expo and Sale

March 11th to 13th, 2022 Santa Barbara International Orchid Show