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“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our June 16, 2023 guest speaker will be
Nicholas Rust
“Habenaria: A Basic Overview of the Breeding Traits of Species ”**

Nicholas is an up-and-coming hybridizer in the orchid community. His orchid passion began in 2015 when a mini-Phalaenopsis was gifted to him. Like a flame to gasoline, this gift quickly pulled him into the diverse world of orchids. Shortly after his interests were formed, he began exploring the culture of several unique genera of terrestrial orchids. He now specializes in Habenaria and other related genera, jewel orchids, Australian terrestrial orchids, and Bulbophyllum. In 2019, this obsession bloomed into a small orchid nursery, Rusty Exotics Orchids, which he uses to share the wonders and beauty of his work.

Through studying biochemistry and molecular biology during college, Nicholas approaches his orchids with the same scientific perspective he uses while working in a research lab. This led to an interest in the entire growth cycle of orchids and the start of his own hybridization program in 2018 which focuses mostly on terrestrial orchids, especially Habenaria. His aim is to use rarely cultivated species and distinct variations of species to create truly exceptional shapes and colors that will pave new directions for unique hybrids.

This talk is all about Habenaria hybrids and how they are made!

Featuring over 45 hybrids and 100 pictures, this a perfect talk for anyone, be it an expert Habenaria-grower or someone who has never heard of the genus before. It begins with a quick summary of the genus’ history and where hybridization began. Next comes a big dive into hybrids with emphasis on how individual species created the hybrids. This makes up the bulk of the talk and has loads of pictures, both species and hybrids. Lastly, we’ll finish up with a thorough discussion on Habenaria culture, placing a large emphasis on the “big-bad dormancy,” which won’t seem big or bad after we finish!

June President's Message **by Braulio Mena**

Hello fellow orchid enthusiasts!! As we closed the chapter on another successful Spring Show back in March, immediately we started revving our engines in preparation for our Fall Show, which will be September 16 & 17, 2023. I would like to take this moment to thank Arthur Hazboun, our show chair (one of his many, many jobs in our society), who takes the time to put together both of our yearly shows. It takes a lot of hard work, time, and patience to do this. Our shows are what helps our society stay afloat and pay our bills. SO, THANK YOU ART!!! You are a superstar!

I'm so glad we decided to bring back June meetings. If you remember years back, this month was our yearly "Installation Banquet" and at one point became a picnic. But and due to lack of participation, it was canceled to never return again. For some time, there were no society activities for June until the board decided to just have regular meetings. I love the opportunity of being able to see everyone and share our love for orchids for one more month.

In addition, I was very happy to see a good turn out at our last meeting and new members joining in. I'm starting slowly see our numbers increase, hopefully one day soon we can fill all of our seats. Thank you all for your participation and bringing in your plants for judging. We have some great speakers and activities lined up for the rest of the year, so make sure you do not miss out. I look forward to seeing you in June.

Cattleya information we learned from Carlos Lopez

Spring Blooming Cats: C. intermedia, C. mossiae, and C. shilleriana
Orchid care:

1. Spring is the perfect time to repot.
2. Many species and orchids are starting to root.
3. Resume your normal watering schedule.
4. Cattleyas are now in their growing phase.
5. Provide bright filtered sunlight.
6. Allow the potting medium to dry in-between watering.



Cym. Jacqueline Hatfield

Den. lichenastrum



Phal. unknown pink

Ribbon Judging Results for May, 2023

Speaker's Choice: C. Guatemalensis

Jim Hoyle

Advanced Amateur

Cattleya:

1st C. Guatemalensis

Jim Hoyle

2nd L. purpurata 'El Supremo' x C. warneri Alba 'Show-Off'

Bobby Ignacio

3rd C. Exotic Fireworks Virginia Dickey x Mem. Trudi Marsh

David West

Cymbidium:

1st Cym. Jacqueline Hatfield

Karen Low

2nd Cym. No Name

David West

Dendrobium:

1st Den. lichenastrum

Braulio Mena

2nd Den. Hagoromo 'Spring Fuji'

Braulio Mena

3rd Ansellia Africana 'Garden Party' X

Ansellia Africana Alba 'Brazil'

Bobby Ignacio

Phalaenopsis:

1st Phal. No Name

Rika Hiyashi

2nd Phal. No name

Margaret Akashi

3rd Phal. Mini Mark

Rika Hiyashi

Paphiopedilum:

1st Phrag. Sedenii

Jerri & Nancy Larsson

2nd Paph. Magic Cherry

Stephane Larouche

3rd Paph. Supersuk 'Raisin Pie'

Pat Jones-Kennedy

Other Genera:

1st Pths. stricta

Braulio Mena

2nd Rangaeris Amaniensis

Jim Hoyle

3rd Odontoglossum

David West



Phrag. Sedenii



Pths. stricta



Den. Hagoromo 'Spring Fuji'



Paph. Magic Cherry



Phal. Unknown pink



Rangaeris amaniensis



Speaker's Choice –
C. Guatemalensis



Cym. Unknown green



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and Sale
September 16 & 17**

Show and Sale Hours: 10 am - 4 pm Saturday and Sunday

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Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275

- Buy direct from commercial growers
- See award winning orchids/displays

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Cym. Little Beauty
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Webinars:

June 8, 2023 AOS Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM
Ron answers your questions about all things orchids. Submit your questions and pictures to Sandra Svoboda at greenhousechat@aos by June 5, 2023 open to everyone.

Enroll at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/15352910377520223>

*American Orchid Society Monthly Checklist for May and June
Written by Ned Nash and James Rose*

<https://www.aos.org/orchids/seasonal-orchid-care/may-june-checklist.aspx>

Upcoming Events

June 3, 2023 Sunset Valley Orchids OPEN HOUSE 9AM – 4PM

1255 Navel Place, Vista, CA 92083 <http://sunsetvalleyorchids.com>

Lots of discounts, street tacos, raffles, and lots of fun!

June 16 – 18, 2023 Andy's Super Open House 10 AM – 4 PM

734 Ocean View Ave., Encinitas, CA 92023 <https://www.andysorchids.com>

July 2023 Santa Barbara Orchid Estates Summer Open House

<https://sborchid.com>

July 14-16, 2023 Cal-Orchid Summer Hummer 9 AM – 5 PM Cal Orchid will be hosting Suwada Orchids and Tokyo Orchid Nursery this year to celebrate all things Japanese. 1251 Orchid Dr. Santa Barbara, CA <http://calorchid.com>

July 30, 2023 Orchids in the Park San Francisco San Francisco Orchid Society hosts at the San Francisco County Fair Building 1199 9th Ave. San Francisco

Discounted tickets at <https://ti.to/san-francisco-orchid-society/orchids-in-the-park-2023>

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

- June 16, 2023
- July 21, 2023
- August 18, 2023

◇ General Meetings start 6:30 PM

The next board meeting will be June 20 2022 6:30PM

Call 310-413-3259 for more Information



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OUR NEXT MEETING WILL BE JUNE 16, 2023 AT 6:30 PM



L. purpurata 'El Supremo' X
C. warneri Alba 'Show Off'

C. Exotic Fireworks
'Virginia Dickey' X C.
Mem. Trudi Marsh



Paph. Supersuk
Raisin Pie

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