

Orchid Society of California

Next Meeting: Monday, May 15, 2006
Lakeside Garden Center, Lake Merritt
666 Bellevue Ave. Oakland, California

PROGRAM TOPIC: What do Paphiopedilums have to Offer? Tom Colby

Tom Colby will speak to our society about Paphiopedilums at the May meeting. These fascinating orchids are frequently not given the attention that they deserve in our collections, and the talk will hope to overcome this, showing some of what the species, primary hybrids and complex hybrids have to offer.

Paphiopedilums figure strongly in the history of orchid growing and we will hear some of the historical tales about how these plants came to our collections. Tom has been growing orchids since the 1950's, and joined the OSC in 1961. He has served as secretary and member of the Board of Directors. He is a longtime resident of San Leandro, as are many of our fine growers.

CULTURE SESSION: Paul Chim

Paul Chim will do an introductory level workshop on orchid care. This will be a great opportunity for newer orchid growers to ask their questions about orchid culture!

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Meeting Details

- Plant sales will open at 6:30 PM.
- Pre-program culture session starts at 7:00 PM
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- Raffle table will be provided by
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Dinner with the Speaker

The Speaker's Dinner will be at the Ta Ke Sushi Bar, 357 Grand Avenue, just south of the park. The restaurant serves a variety of cooked Japanese dishes as well as sushi and sashimi.

Dinner is at 5:30 PM

Raffle Table Volunteers

May - Paula Shiu & Bill Stidwell

June - Tommy Kam & Alex

Dessert Assignments

Members with last names from "Aaron" to "Exeter" are responsible for bringing refreshments to the May meeting. If it is your turn to bring refreshments, you are also responsible for participating in the set-up and clean-up. If you are unable to bring refreshments, please make a monetary donation. Those that provide refreshments are entitled to participate in a drawing for the first choice of raffle plants.

Calendar

Need more? See the AOS Calendar online at:

<http://orchidweb.org/aos/events/shows.aspx>

OSC Mother's Day Show & Sale

May 12, 13 14th. Lakeside Garden Center,
Oakland

Noon– 7pm Friday, 9am to 5pm Saturday &
Sunday

We need as many volunteers as possible for security & plant hotel—come out and support your society!

Fourth Orchid Digest Speakers

Day. 'Orchid Species Spectacular'

June 24, 2006. Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA.

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Santa Barbara International Orchid Fair.

July 7-9, 2006. Earl Warren Showgrounds.
www.orchidfair.com

Orchids Fiori D'Amore Annual Sale

Once again Paolo and Nina DiCandia of 'Orchids Fiori D'Amore' are holding their annual Orchid sale.

Located at 4526 Fair Avenue in Oakland, the sale will be from May 6th through May 14th (9 am to 4 pm) and May 15th (9 am to 2 pm).

The DiCandias specialize in cymbidiums but have many other genera of orchids. It's a wonder to see the beautiful orchids in bloom, grown in well-maintained greenhouses and spread out over their very beautifully decorated gardens. Admission is free. For more information and/or directions call (510) 530-4884.

GREENHOUSE TOURS

On Sunday July 23 we will have a special opportunity to go on a hunt for native California orchids with Ron Parsons, the speaker of the April meeting. Ron is a well known photographer and grower of native orchid species. We will meet and car pool to the Pescadero area. More news to come in future news letters.

Questions? Comments? Give me a call. Mimi Rose
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AOS Awards

Pacific Central Supplemental Center San Francisco, April 4, 2006

Pleione xconfusa 'Golden Gate'
(Pln. albiflora x Pln. forrestii)
HCC 77
Exhibited by Anna S. Chai

For more information and pictures please
visit the Pacific Judging web site:

<http://www.aospacificcentral.org>

Pacific Central Judging Center, Oakland, April 18, 2006

Pot. Martha Clarke 'Monterey Bay'
(Blc. Love Sound x Slc. Circle of Life)
HCC 76
Exhibited by Echo Valley Orchids

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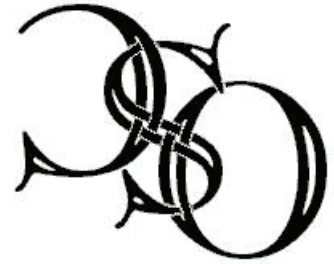
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