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ORCHID SOCIETY OF CALIFORNIA



Speaker of the Month: **Eric Hunt**



October 19

Meeting Details:

- Plant Sales 6:30pm
- AOS judging 6:30pm
- Skill Session 7:00pm
- Meeting Start 7:30pm

Agenda :

- Announcements
- Member Participation Raffle
- Show and Tell
- Refreshments
- Speaker
- Raffle Table

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Eric's first and continuing passion is orchids and their photography. He is the Vice President for the San Francisco Orchid Society, the Immediate Past President for OrchidMania in San Francisco, and one of the official American Orchid Society Awards photographers for the Pacific Central Judging Region.

His talk at our October meeting will be on Orchids in Borneo. Eric will try to give us a sense of what it's like growing orchids in Borneo - a large tropical island on the equator in Southeast Asia. You will see orchids growing in the lowland tropical rainforest and the mountain cloud forest of Mount Kinabalu. You will also see orchids at two of the country's largest commercial orchid growers.

Finally, you will see some spectacular scenery, see some unique plants, and visit several markets throughout Malaysian Borneo.

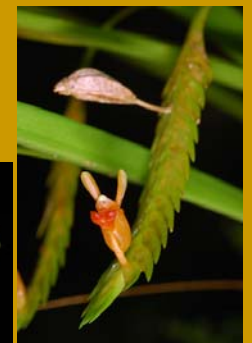
While not out photographing orchids or other local wildflowers, Eric maintains a small collection of miniatures in an Orchidarium at

home and works with the orchid collection at OrchidMania in San Francisco.

Eric's photography has appeared in Orchids, The Orchid Digest, The Orchid Review, Orkideer (magazine of the Swedish Orchid Society), Gardener's World Magazine (UK), California Home and Design, and San Francisco Chronicle. Recent books using his work include: 300 Orchids, Miracle Gro Complete Guide to Orchids, Orchid Species of Peru, and The Illustrated Dictionary of orchid Genera, Huntleyas and Related Orchids.

His extensive website is located at: <http://www.orchidphotos.org>. and also available at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/ericinsf/sets/72157600028835603/>

Orchids shown below (left to right) are: Paph. volonteatum, Thecopus secunda, Bulbophyllum lobbii and Stichorkis lobongensis.



Speaker's Dinner
 Old Place Seafood Teahouse
 391 Grand Avenue
 Oakland, CA
 Time: 5:00 PM
 RSVP to Fred Shull @
 (510) 569-9940

Skill Session
 Trudy Hadler will talk about how to prepare your plants for exhibition at an orchid show.

Raffle Table
 This month's raffle will be supplied by OrchidMania

President's Message - October 2009

Being a native born Californian, I really enjoy living in one of the most desirable places on planet earth. So do each of you. There are movies, theater, sports teams, restaurants, diversity, gambling, fishing & hunting and above all, the climates of the Bay Area. However, when fall arrives, nothing matches the colorful pallets of reds, yellows, browns, and greens of the many trees, scrubs & bushes of the surrounding landscape. Alas, the long days must come to a end!!!!

It is time when we begin to think about what we must do to have our plants ready for winter. Some of us it may involve moving several orchids into the home. The big question becomes "how do I crowd 50 more pots into the bathroom, kitchen, and bedroom?" Dunking them in a bucket of water for 15 minutes or so, prior to house entry will cause some interesting critters to crawl out. The second question is remembering which plants to cut back on water and fertilizer? Surely you'll have many more "must-do" to winterize your collection. There is a word which explains the difficulty in getting everything in tip-top shape-"PROCRASTINATION". (New TV programs to watch, football, hockey, basketball!!! Isn't cable TV a mixed blessing? Let us not leave out Halloween, and Thanksgiving.) After all, the day temperatures are still in the high 70's, right.....

Our November Show & Sale is the second largest in Northern California, only behind the San Francisco POE. Working together with your help, we can attract more vendors to our show. More potential new members will be attracted to the November show, and also OSC's Mothers Day Show in May. We are G-R-O-W-I-N-G society. Let all the other societies know that we are not just a sit back, do nothing membership. So jump on board, and be counted!!! The board cannot do it all.

Walter James

NOTIFICATION - LOCATION OF OSC BOARD MEETING MINUTES

Minutes from the OSC Board meetings will no longer be provided in the newsletters. Instead, they will be printed and placed in a binder that will be available at all general meetings.



OSC Help Wanted

Newsletter Editor - your newsletter editor would like to step down at the end of the year. I will gladly help transition a new person to create our monthly newsletter. Please contact me- Jo Halberstadt at (510)-538-5526 if you are interested.

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NOVEMBER SHOW And SALE INFORMATION

We need your blooming orchids for the OSC display!

If you are new to showing plants, now is the time.

OSC will have people on site to help you fill out the show entry forms.

**Bring your Show plants in on Friday, November 6th, between Noon and 9:00 PM
For questions concerning show plants, call Nancy Starr (510)261-7530.**

SHOW JUDGING

Ribbon Judging will begin on Saturday at 9:00AM. All society members are invited to participate in this process. When ribbon and trophy judging are completed, AOS judging will take place on the stage in the Ebell room. This is an open Judging and those interested are invited to watch. Please wait until we are finished with the judging process before asking questions or providing input. As fees are charged when awards are granted, PLEASE LABEL YOUR PLANTS OR DISPLAYS AS "NO AOS" IF YOU DO NOT WISH THEM TO BE CONSIDERED BY THE AOS JUDGES.

Additionally, we have a "*People's Choice Award*". Ballots for this award will be located in the show room. The show schedule will be available on our website by October 31st.

MEMBER PLANT SALES

Society members may bring plants and/or supplies to be put for sale on the society table. Members receive 75% and the society receives 25% of the proceeds. All members selling plants are required to serve as volunteers at the show. Sign up sheets will be present when you bring for sale plants. Sale forms are provided on our website as well as in this newsletter. The rules and limitations for member sales are provided on newsletter page 6 and at our website at: <http://www.orchidsocietyofcalifornia.com/OSCplants.html>.

SHOW AND SALE TIMETABLE

Friday, November 6	8:00 AM to 9:00 PM Bring <u>Show Plants</u> in between Noon and 9:00 PM Bring <u>Member Sale Plants</u> between Noon and 9:00PM	SET-UP
Saturday November 7	9:00 AM 10:00 AM to 5:00 PM Bring <u>Show Plants</u> in between 8:00 AM and 8:50 AM Bring <u>Member Sale Plants</u> in between 10:00 AM and 11:30 AM	AOS & Ribbon Judging SALE & SHOW
Sunday, November 8	10:00AM to 5:00 PM	SALE & SHOW

For general questions, please contact Walter James at waljam1946@yahoo.com (510)825-5102.

NOVEMBER SHOW And SALE Info

Orchid Society of California
Member Plant **SALE** List

Instructions: Fill out this form & submit it when you bring your SALE Plants. (Also, keep a copy for yourself.)

Member Name: _____ Sale Code: _____

Address: _____ Total Number of items: _____

CODE	PLANT NAME OR DESCRIPTION	Asking Price	Selling Price (if different)
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Orchid Society of California Plant SALE Tags

(May also be used for non-plant items)

Instructions: Fill in both Part A and Part B. Attach **Part A ONLY** to plant so that cashier can remove Part B. Photocopy this page if you need more tags.

<p>Part A</p> <p>Code: _____ Price: _____</p> <p>Plant Name: _____</p> <p>Seller's Name: _____</p> <p>Color: _____</p> <p>Culture: Indoor Outdoor</p> <p>Light: Hi Int. Low</p> <p>Temp: Warm Int. Cool</p>	<p>Part B</p> <p>Code: _____</p> <p>Price: _____</p> <p>Seller's Name: _____</p>
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November Show and Sale Info (con't)

SHOW RULES

- 1) The show is open to all exhibitors, including commercial growers.
- 2) The Society encourages all growers to enter as many plants as possible to make this show an outstanding success.
- 3) All plants entered for judging must have been owned and grown by the exhibitor for at least 6 months prior to the show.
- 4) Plants shown must be free of all pests and diseases. Infected plants will be removed from the show.
- 5) Meristem and stem propagated plants are not considered seedlings.
- 6) All plants entered in the show must remain on display until the show closes on Sunday at 5:00 pm.
- 7) Orchid Society of California assumes no responsibility for damage or loss of plants entered in the show.

All exhibitors will enter their plants under one of the following three skills levels:

NOVICE: One who has won less than 3 trophies, other than ribbons, at any orchid show.

INTERMEDIATE: One who has won at least 3, but less than 10 trophies, other than ribbons, at any orchid show.

OPEN (Includes Advanced and Commercial) One who has won at least 10 trophies, other than ribbons, at any orchid show.

MEMBER PLANT SALES RULES

At OSC show sales, there is a limit of 25 plants per person (no limit at general meetings).

- 1) All plants must be free of pests and diseases.
- 2) All sale plants must have a "seller's label"(part A&B), indicating sellers code, price, plant name and sellers name.
- 3) Each seller must submit a "list of plants", indicating sellers code, plant name, and price.
- 4) Orchid Society of California will retain 25% of the selling price as commission, and 75% of the selling price will be mailed to the seller within 10 days of the event.
- 5) OSC is not responsible for lost, stolen or misplaced plants.

Use the two part form and attach part A to the pot and leave part B attached so that the cashiers can remove part B for accounting.

Each plant must have a code: for example, if my code will be TJ ,then each plant will be TJ-1 to TJ-25. Also fill out the Plant Sale List with your Code, Plant name, and Asking Price. Make a copy for your own records.

Plants for sale may be brought in Friday, November 6th between Noon and 9PM, and Saturday, November 7th from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM.

For questions: please call Walter James (510)825-5102.

2009 SPEAKER CALENDAR				
MONTH	SPEAKER	TOPIC	RAFFLE TABLE	CULTURE SESSION
October 2009	Eric Hunt	Orchids of Borneo	Orchid Mania	Trudy Hadler
November 2009	Coming soon	Coming Soon	Coming Soon	Coming Soon
December 2009	n/a	Pot Luck Dinner & Gift Exchange	n/a	n/a

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Orchid Treasures*



FREE ADMISSION

Saturday & Sunday, November 7th and 8th
10am to 5pm
Lakeside Park Garden Center (Lake Merritt)
666 Bellevue, Oakland, Ca. 94610
Exotic and Unusual Orchids for Sale, Orchid Raffles,
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THE FIRST ORCHID SOCIETY WEST OF THE MISSISSIPPI

Meeting Location:
Lakeside Park Garden Center

666 Bellevue Avenue
Oakland, CA

3rd Monday of Every Month, 7PM

Newsletter

Submissions:

oscnews.OrchidSocietyofCa@gmail.com

Submissions are due before the First Monday of the Month

Upcoming sales & events :

October 17-18, 10AM-5PM, **Diablo View Show and Sale**, 320 Civic Dr., Pleasant Hill

October 23, 7PM, **Peninsula Orchid Society Auction**, San Mateo Garden Center, San Mateo

October 27, **Marin Orchid Society Auction**, 30 Sir Francis Drake Blvd, Ross

November 7-8, 10AM-5PM, **Orchid Society of California Show and Sale**, Lakeside Park Garden Center, Oakland

Each month, our members bring in refreshments to share based on their alphabetical last name.

As a thank you, the club will give you a free raffle ticket. Please leave your goodies in the small kitchen area with Dawn Muller.

It's your turn: **A-H**

October Raffle Table Volunteers:

Help needed !

November Raffle Table Volunteers:

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