



# ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

Norma Hertzog Community Center | 1845 Park Avenue | Costa Mesa, CA 92627

January 2024

## President's Message

Hi All,

Happy New Year! Our Christmas party at the Stonefire Grill was a success, as they have been in the post COVID era, due to **Paula Butler**. Thank you so very much for making all of the arrangements.

We will continue at the Norma Hertzog (read: Costa Mesa) Community Center for the new year, as always, meeting on the third Tuesday of the month at 7:00 p.m. Exceptions will occur in July (we have been meeting at the dear **Michael Miranda's** for the installation dinner) and December (see above).

Also in March we will be hosting

an auction. Set up will start at 5:00 p.m., so if you are planning to help with the ticket write-ups, arrangement of the plants and site, or if you are donating plants (and we need a lot of these) please come at 5:00 p.m., otherwise 6:30: p.m. The auction proper will start at 7:00 p.m. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me or **Clifford Vu** or show up at 5:00 p.m.

Though it is a bit early, if you are interested in serving on the Nominations Committee (they recommend Board of Directors members) or the NHOS Board itself, please contact me before March. The Committee is appointed at the March BOD meeting.

See you soon,

Tom Harrison, NHOS President

## Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

No class will be held this month.



## January Speaker

### Jack Zhu

#### "The Form and Color of Asian Cymbidiums"

Jack Zhu is an orchid hobbyist from the Los Angeles area in California. He grows many varieties of orchids, focusing on Asian cymbidiums. Jack is also very interested in the culture and history of Asian cymbidiums. Currently an Associate Judge in the AOS Pacific South Judging Region, Jack has more than thirty AOS awards for Asian cymbidiums.

With more than one thousand years of cultivation history, the Asian cymbidium community has developed some unique appreciation cri-



teria for Asian cymbidiums, including several major flower forms. These appreciation systems are very different from the AOS point score system. Understanding these differences can help us more fully appreciate the beauty of Asian cymbidiums.

During the talk, Jack will go over the flower forms and colors of various Asian cymbidiums. Within each category, he will present multiple examples, especially with plants from his own backyard. In the end, Jack will briefly go over the leaf variegation of Asian cymbidiums, which is another important aspect of these orchids.

Meetings are held on the **third Tuesday** of each month.  
**General Meeting** at 7:00 p.m.



## Mark Your Calendar

Our regular monthly meetings will be held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month. Please mark your calendars for these events.

January 16

February 20

March 19: Auction

April 16

May 21

June 18

July 16: Installation Dinner at Michael Miranda's house

August 20

September 24: This is the **fourth** Tuesday of the month.

October 15

November 19

December 17

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## Revelers at the Annual Holiday Party

