



# ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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

April 2024

## President's Message

Hi All,

A huge thanks to all who helped make the NHOS Auction a success.

**Merle Robboy** was excellent (as usual) as our auctioneer – and he donated plants.

Thanks also to **Lynn Wiand, Barbara Livingston, Michael Miranda, and Judy Dahle** as our runners. Thanks to **Richard Hara, Paula Butler, Linda and Steve Barker** for check-in and check-out.

Thanks to **Clifford Vu and Kira Jones** for picking up plants. Also, thanks to Kira for keeping track of sales and printing labels. Thanks to **Joe and Rosemary Krumme and Joe Rupp** for their committee and volunteer work. And thanks to **Guy Gottschalk** for a car-full of donated plants.

Thanks to all for bringing food, money and donated plants. The list is incomplete, of course. More than half of the plants sold were donated from members.

The Auction appears to have netted NHOS about \$2000. That is good. It should stem some of the steady downward trend in our finances.

## Culture Class

There will be no culture class this month.

Next, a show. If you are interested in serving on the show committee contact either me or Paula Butler. We will set a date in April for our first meeting.

If you are interested in serving on the NHOS Board of Directors, contact me. The Nominating Committee will be meeting soon.

Happy growing,

Tom Harrison  
NHOS President

## April Speaker

### Donna Ballard

**"The Difference between Seedlings, Meristem Clones and Stem Propagated Orchids."**

Donna Ballard was born, raised and went to school in the San Fernando Valley. She is now an Accredited American Orchid Society Judge.

After over 30 years of loving, tending, and studying plants, she went on to work as a professional interior house plant technician until four years ago. So she comes to orchid growing with a horticultural background and many years of experience.

Currently a volunteer at the Huntington Botanical gardens Thornton Estate Orchid Conservatory in San Marino, she is also 1st Vice President of the San Fernando Valley Orchid Society, an active member of the Orchid Society of Southern California, on the AOS Board of Education, and Co-Chair of the new AOS.

Donna currently has approximately 1300 orchids and 460 square feet of both greenhouse, shade house and interior



growing areas, where she grows Cattleyas, Paphiopedilums, Cymbidiums, Dendrobiums, Sarcochilas, miniature Vanda and Phalaenopsis orchids, as well as several other genera.

The presentation she will be giving is called "The Difference between Seedlings, Meristem Clones and Stem Propagated Orchids." She will give a demonstration on flasking and unflasking seedlings at the end of her talk.

**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, except where indicated below.

Please mark your calendars for these events. Also, please bring a goodie to share to the regular monthly meetings.

April 13: **Garden Tour**

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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## 2024 NHOS Greenhouse and Garden Tour

The NHOS Greenhouse and Garden Tour is scheduled on **Saturday, April 13**, and will feature visits to three gardens.

### 9:00 a.m. - 10:00 a.m.

Our first stop will be at the home of the kind and faithful Krummes, Rosemary and Joe. They live at 13325 Danvers Way, Westminster. Coffee and bottled water will be served. Also \$20 per person will be due at the door of the Krummes' or the first house you visit (whether you eat the lunch we buy for you or not).

### 10:30 a.m. - 11:30 a.m.


Our second stop will be at the home of the very dear Kermanis, Mary and Fred. They live at 19642 Sacramento Lane, Huntington Beach. Water only here, but I hear they have thriving bromeliads in addition to orchids.

### 12:00 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.

The fantastic Gottschalks, Guy and Anne, will host our lunch. They live at 24 Coldbrook, Irvine. Lunch will be served, so you can munch and talk your way around Guy's amazing collection.


RSVP by phone to Rosemary Krumme at (714) 892-2278 by **April 10**.

Hope you can join us!



San Gabriel Valley  
Orchid Hobbyist  
Los Angeles Arboretum  
Palm Room  
301 Baldwin Ave  
Arcadia, CA  
6PM Preview-7PM Auction

ORCHID AUCTION  
May 16, 2024



**ORCHIDS of the EARTH**  
San Diego County Orchid Society Show and Sale  
April 19-21, 2024

Balboa Park's Casa del Prado  
Room 101 and Patio  
San Diego, California 92101  
Free Admission

Friday 12:00-7:00 p.m.  
Early bird sales start at 10 a.m.  
Saturday 9:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.  
Sunday 10:00 a.m.-4:00 p.m.

Latest Event Details at  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)



Long Beach  
Amateur Orchid Society  
**Annual Auction**

Monday, April 8, 2024  
6:00 PM | Preview & Registration  
6:30 PM | Auction Starts Promptly

St. Gregory's Episcopal Church  
6201 E. Willow Street, Long Beach, CA 90815

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