



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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

August 2025

President's Message

Hi everyone!

We are getting close to the end of summer, and the weather has been pretty mild here along the coast. I've had a few orchids blooming, and my plumerias are awake and blooming but the colors are not as vibrant as they should be because it's just not hot enough here in Costa Mesa, yet.

I recently found out that a long-time member and past president, **Bill Fogherthy**, passed away on July 28th. I don't believe I ever met him, but it's

always sad to hear. May you rest in peace, Bill.

What a great turnout at the Installation Banquet! I hope you all enjoyed it. The food and music were great. I had a lot of food left over, so Rudy and I took two full trays of pasta and bread to the local fire department, and they were really excited that we thought of them. We did our good deed for the day.

Thank you all who came early to help out with the set-up and clean-up. I've been hosting this event for over two decades and as long as I'm still here and able, I'll keep hosting it.

Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

No culture class this month.

Thank you all who helped out with the Plant-O-Rama event at the Sherman Gardens. We did pretty well with our members sales. We should always try to be involved with these events and shows to keep our club recognized.

Hope to see you all at our next meeting.

Take care.

Michael Miranda
NHOS President

August Speaker

Carol Beule "The Small Paphs"

Carol Beule is an EMMY award winning Costume Designer with a Master of Fine Arts in both Costume and Lighting Design from the University of Wisconsin, Madison. She was a professional Costume Designer from 1974 until her retirement in July of 2017.

Carol has grown all species of orchids since purchasing a home at the base of the Hollywood Hills 27 years ago, and it has been her quest to discover which orchids will thrive in the unique climate we have in the San Fernando Valley and its surrounding communities.

In her search to find the perfect plant for her growing area, Carol now grows *Neofinetia* (Vanda) *falcata*, *Paphiopedilum*, *Phalaenopsis*, *Cattleya*, *Laelia*, *Dendrobium*, *Lycaste*, *Asian Cymbidi-*

ums and *Rossioglossum* on her patio and in two small greenhouses.

Carol also makes pottery on commission for *Neofinetia falcata* (Vanda) plants for display and can bring some of her works if requested.

The Small Paphs: this program covers the following species including *fair-ianum*, *tranlienianum*, *charlesworthi*, *henrianum* and *ventustum* and shows you how to grow them. Then we embark on the crosses made with these plants in all of their spectacular or unfortunate glory.

All of these plants are easily grown on a windowsill. They are easily obtainable and therefore it's easy to imagine the crosses that can be made in the future. They are also fun to grow.



Some SMALL Paphs..... And their crosses

All of these Paphs. can be grown on a windowsill due to their limited needs for sunlight. They all require lots of moisture and night time temps that drop at least 3-4 lower than those from the daytime.



...And they are all beautiful and relatively easy to grow.

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

Mark Your Calendar 2025

Our regular monthly meetings are held at 7:00 p.m. on the third Tuesday of each month, at the Norma Hertzog Community Center in Costa Mesa.

Please bring a goody to share at the regular monthly meeting.

August 19

September 30 **This is the fifth Tuesday

October 21

November 18

December 16: Holiday Party

Plant-O-Rama Pix at the Sherman Gardens



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Plastic Boxes for Sale

We still have these black collapsible plastic boxes available to purchase for \$20. They are the perfect plant carrier, and they fold down flat for storage. Let me know how many you'd like.

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Sunny day at the Installation Banquet



Starry night at the Installation Banquet

