



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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November 2015

President's Message

The Orchid Greenhouse Tour was a success again! Thank you to **Dana Seelig** for organizing the tour and to **Nancy Benay** who organized the delicious lunch! We enjoyed visiting the fun and eclectic garden of **Alf and Simone Friend**, the amazingly large and varied orchids, begonias and more at **Norm and Candace Nakanishi's**, and the beautiful and bountiful blooms of **Roberta Fox's** garden!

It was a nice (although a record-breaking hot day) for touring Sherman Gardens. There wasn't a lot in bloom at that time but now there are lots of blooms from the Cattleyas, Laelias, Vandas, Dendrobiums, and more. The orchid wall in the Tropical Conservatory at Sherman Gardens is almost complete! I hope you can stop by and say hello, and I'll take you on a tour.

At home, my poor little outdoor orchid collection was thrashed by the Santa Ana winds. I need to work on a better system to keep my orchids from crashing to the

ground when those harsh winds kick-up!

October's speaker, Alfredo Manrique, traveled all the way from Lima, Peru to speak on "Growing Orchids of the Andes Range." His talk was fascinating as well as informative. He also spoke at the culture class and gave helpful tips for growing the famous *Phragmipedium kovachii*. These are now posted on our website: <http://nhosinfo.org/culture/growing-phragmipedium-kovachii/>.

By the way, did you see the article in the *LA Times* on October 30, 2015, about the arrest of someone trying to sneak 200 protected orchids from Australia to Peru??? He was busted on a stopover at LAX! <http://www.latimes.com/local/lanow/la-me-ln-peruvian-national-pleads-guilty-orchids-20151030-story.html>. A very strange coincidence after having Alfredo here! We are happy to support people like Alfredo who follow the international laws to support responsible orchid trade.

This month we host Peter Lin who will be

Culture Class

Peter Lin will be speaking on *Neofenitia*. Please join him! The class begins at 7:00 p.m.

speaking about Wild, Weird and Wonderful Orchids! We are looking forward to welcoming him and hearing about this fun and interesting topic!

Next month we have our annual Holiday Party. We can't wait to see what Phil Duke comes up with his magical chef wand! One last and important reminder: February we will need your bloomin' orchids for our Expo and lots of volunteers for set-up and fun positions throughout the event! Watch for the sign-up sheets that will be coming around soon.

Best Regards,

Darla Miller
NHOS President

November Speaker Peter T. Lin

**"Wild, Weird, & Wonderful Orchids:
A Portrait of Oddities in the Orchid World"**

Peter T. Lin's fast-paced PowerPoint presentation will take you on a journey of some of the world's most strange, bizarre, yet wonderful orchid species! From *Bulbophyllums* to *Zootrophion*, there is much diversity in Orchid flowers. We'll take a look at Orchid flowers that have wild colors, have crazy lips, or are fringed, hairy, or just alien-looking!

Peter started growing orchids over 25 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 11 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back, and he is now heavily involved once again.



He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country. He also has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on Flickr. The images can be viewed at <http://www.flickr.com/photos/minicatt/collections/>.

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes

to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include *Dendrobiums*, *Angraecoids*, and *Neofinetias*. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, as well as in the house under fluorescent lights.

Peter will be providing the plants for this month's raffle table. There will be a nice selection of orchids, so be sure to buy your tickets!

Please RSVP to Alex Allen by Monday, November 16, if you plan to attend dinner with the speaker. Questions and RSVP: <http://nhosinfo.org/contact/>.

Note: Location may change. Dinner reservations are at 5:30 p.m. Please be prompt so we can get the speaker to the meeting on time.

See you there,

Alex Allen
First Vice President

Meetings are held on the
third Tuesday of each month

Culture Class at 7:00 p.m.
General Meeting at 7:45 p.m.

Membership Corner

It is always so encouraging to see so many members and guests at the meetings. We have a renewal for **Andrea Stafford** and a brand new member, **Trish Newhard**. We welcome both and hope to see them often!

Happy Thanksgiving to everyone!

Laura Perry
Membership Chairman



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"The Many Faces of Orchids" Newport Harbor Orchid Society Orchid Expo

Yes, the Newport Harbor Orchid Society's 2016 Orchid Expo is coming up, February 12-14, at the Westminster Mall. The hours are:

Friday, February 12	10:00 a.m. to 9:00 p.m.
Saturday, February 13	10:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
Sunday, February 14	11:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

Parking is free. Potting workshops are \$5.00, which includes an orchid plant.

This year's theme is "The Many Faces of Orchids." Plans are well underway, and we need all of you great volunteers to help make it a huge success. **Volunteers who work six hours will receive a free t-shirt** with the show design, created by Winn Winnmaw, printed on the back.

We need volunteers!

♦ **Wednesday, February 10 7:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**
For set up.

♦ **Thursday, February 11 8:00 a.m.-8:00 p.m.**
Three-hour shifts for set-up of displays and vendor tables.

♦ **Friday, February 12 9:00 a.m.-9:00 p.m.**

♦ **Saturday, February 13 10:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.**

♦ **Sunday, February 14 11:00 a.m.-6:00 p.m.**

Three-hour shifts at the info desk, plant hotel, and display rooms.

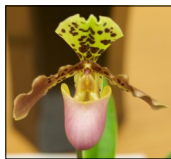
♦ **Sunday February 14 6:00 p.m.-9:00 p.m.**
For clean up.

Anyone wishing to volunteer, please contact:

♦ Rosemary Krumme at the contact page: nhosinfo.org/contact/

♦ John Cox at the contact page: nhosinfo.org/contact/

Thank you,
Rosemary Krumme

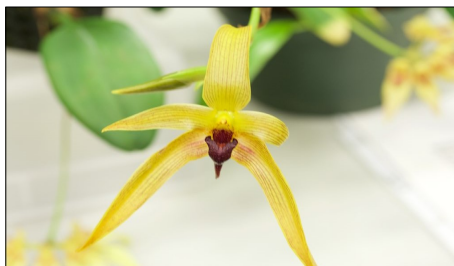


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Refreshments

Members from **Robert Hubert** to **Laura and Ken Perry** are asked to provide refreshments for the meeting.

Thank you!



The NHOS award-winning display at the Huntington Library show.

2015 October Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
POINTS	5 pts	3 pts	1 pt	
CATTELEYA	C. unknown Lee Brandt	C. Portia v. coerulea Espie Quinn	Blc Keowee 'Mendenhall' Gen Gundersen	Winn Winmaw
CYMBIDIUM	Cym finlaysonianum Kayoko Nebrig	No entry	No entry	Miko Yang
DENDROBIUM	Den. Uniflorum Espie Quinn	Den. Unknown Joe Rupp	Den. kingianum Rosemary Krumme	Tom Harrison
EPIDENDRUM	Prostechea radiata Espie Quinn	Enc. cochleata alba Lynn Wiand	No entry	Barbara Livingston
MAXILLARIEAE	Lycaste Sunray Earl Felt	Rodriguezia fragrans Merle Robboy	No entry	Barbara Livingston
ONCIDIUM	Rossioglossum Rowden Jester Espie Quinn	Hwra. Lava Burst John Cox	Colm. Wildcat 'Blood Red' Espie Quinn	Norm Nakanishi
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Phrag. Sorcerer's Apprentice Richard Hess	Paph henryanum Lynn Wiand	Paph Dolgodii Lynn Wiand	Norm Nakanishi
PHALAEOPSIS	No entries			
PLEUROTHALLID	Stellis species Bill MacCorkell	Pleurothallis selligena Joe Rupp	Pleurothallis strupifolia Lynn Wiand	Nancy Benay
VANDA	RHV Herbert Kurihara 'Pink' Kay Firebaugh	Nakamotoara (Neof. falacata 'Amami Island' x Ascocentrum Jacob Ransom Gen Gundersen	Neofinetia falcata John Cox	Winn Winmaw
MISCELLANEOUS	Bulbo. Jersey x Bulbo. echinolabium Nancy Benay	Stenoglottis Venus 'Jamboree' Kayoko Nebrig	Bulbo putidum Nancy Benay	Tom Harrison
POINTS	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt	
NOVICE	Paph areanum Van Anne Pham	Lc unknown Julie Ford		Barbara Livingston
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Bulbo. Jersey x Bulbo. echinolabium	Grower: Nancy Benay		Alfredo Manrique



Mark Your Calendars...

Saturday, November 7 to Sunday, November 8, 2015: Cal-Orchid's Open House. 1251 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.calorchid.com or 805-967-1312.

Saturday, November 7 to Sunday, November 8, 2015: Santa Barbara Orchid Estate Fall Open House. 1250 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA. More information: www.SBORCHID.com or 800-553-3387.

Saturday, November 14, 2015: Hatfield Orchids Sale. 10:00 a.m.-1:00 p.m. Award-winning cymbidiums! Hands-on Potting Demonstration at 11:00 a.m. Yamada Company, 706 W. Gardena Blvd., Gardena, CA. More information: <http://nhosinfo.org/events/>.

Saturday, November 21 to Sunday, November 22, 2015: "Orchid Obsession" Fall Orchid Show. Hosted by Orchid Society of Santa Barbara. Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History, 2599 Puesta del Sol Road, Santa Barbara, CA. Museum admission applies. More information: frank7@yahoo.com.

Saturday, December 5 to Sunday, December 6, 2015: Sunset Valley Orchids Open House. Sunset Valley Orchids, 1255 Navel Place, Vista, CA, 92083. More information: www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com.

Friday, February 12 to Sunday, February 14, 2016: "Many Faces of Orchids" Newport Harbor Orchid Expo. Westminster Mall, Westminster, CA. Hosted by the Newport Harbor Orchid Society. More information: <http://www.nhosinfo.org>.

Be sure to check out our NHOS website for the latest information on orchid and other botanical events happening: <http://nhosinfo.org/events/>.



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