



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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January 2021

President's Message

Happy New Year everyone!

We hope all our families had a wonderful holiday season! 2020 was a long, but quick year. We were all faced with challenges that we could not have imagined. Although we are not there yet, we continue to push forward to make each day better than the last.

Moving forward into the year of 2021 and NHOS members have become professionals at virtual meetings. We have mastered the art of

Zoom Meetings. We know that virtual meeting is not ideal, but we can truly say we are making the best of it.

Our Christmas Meeting was casual, and members shared pictures of blooming orchids and also, we enjoyed the slide show of NHOS 41st anniversary.

We are planning to arrange virtual speakers for 2021 until we can meet again in person.

Orchids, especially Cymbidiums and Australian Dendrobiums are already in bloom or getting ready to bloom

in a few months, so please take pictures and send those to me. I will compile them together and share at monthly show and tell program. I am sure other members will appreciate seeing your beautiful orchids.

I would like to thank all members for participation at NHOS monthly Zoom meetings, and we will continue to enjoy orchid activities via virtual until we can get together safely again.

Stay safe, be well, and Happy New Year!

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NHOS President

January Speaker Arthur Pinkers

Laelia anceps and its Hybrids

Arthur Pinkers has been an orchid enthusiast since the age of sixteen, when he acquired a plant of Slc. Glittering Jewel (Sl. Gratixiae x Slc. Hermes), which infected him with the orchid bug.

His forty-plus years of experience growing orchids started in the Pacific Northwest with a green house to fend off the cold, rainy days, but a decade ago a job change forced him to move to Santa Clarita, California, where the conditions are extreme for growing orchids.

Growing up in the Seattle area, Arthur attended Western Washington University in Bellingham, Washington, graduating with a B.S. in Chemistry and Biology. He worked for many years as



a chemist, and had the fortune of having his dream job as the Lab Director for Beall Orchid Company until shortly before its close in 1990.

Despite not having a current career working with orchids, Arthur has taken an active role in the orchid community. He has been an Accredited Orchid Judge for over twenty years, served in most executive positions on the Board

of the Northwest Orchid Society, including serving as President from 1988 to 1989, President of the San Fernando Valley Orchid Society 2016 to present. He was the center photographer for the Pacific Northwest Judging region 1993-2004.

Currently, Arthur serves as the Center Judging Chair at the Pacific South-San Marino Judging Center and one of the photographers for the Pacific South Judging Center. Though he has an interest in a wide variety of orchids, botanicals are a special draw to him for their diversity and charm.

Arthur has been married to his wife, Margie, for over 29 years, and has two adult children and a granddaughter. While they have not inherited his knack for growing orchids, his family enjoys the beauty and wild aromas his backyard jungle brings to their home, a respite from the desert landscape around them.

Arthur's topic for our presentation this month will be *Laelia anceps* and its Hybrids.

Meetings are held on the third Tuesday of each month.

General Meeting at 7:00 p.m.

**Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Monthly Meeting**

Date: January 19, 2021

Time: 07:00 PM Pacific Time

Join Zoom Meeting

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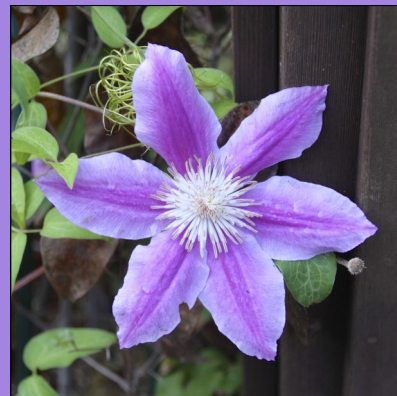
Orchids for Give Away

I have orchids to give away. My greenhouse is running out of space. I would love to help out any of our newer members who are growing their collections.

I have *Ludisia discolor* (jewel orchid), *Cattleya deckeri*, and *Phragmepedium Calurum*. These are all greenhouse grown plants.

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Images from Past Meetings and Events



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