



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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

June 2024

President's Message

Dear Orchid Friends,

I'm thankful for the May Gray/June Gloom. Gardening is easier when it's neither raining nor burning hot. Also, of course, there's the green house.

I'm going through the plants and tossing out the dead and dying, making way for the new plants I'm likely to buy at Cal-Orchids Summer Hummer in July. Poison is coming soon, too. I'd like to nuke the bugs before it warms up too much, both to prevent burning

the plants and to get to the bugs before they reproduce and do too much damage. And then I've got to finish the rebuild of the front fence. Ah, maintenance.

There were no nominations from the floor at the general meeting in May for the NHOS Board of Directors election; so the slate as published in the May Orchids Aweigh newsletter is elected by acclamation. Thanks to all of our Board members past and present for leading.

The Installation Dinner for our new board is scheduled for Tuesday, July

Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

Our speaker, Fred Clarke, will conduct the culture class at 7:00 p.m., right before the general meeting. Please join us.

16, at the fabulous Michael Miranda's house. Keep the date free, details to follow, and many, many thanks to Michael yet again, both for acting as a generous host and for being our next NHOS President!

See you soon,

Tom Harrison
NHOS President

June Speaker

Fred Clarke

"Venezuela's National Flower, Cattleya mossiae"

A beautiful exposé of *C. mossiae* in the wild, amazing pictures of thousands of flowers covering the trees. Learn about the habitat and the perils that await *C. mossiae*.

Cattleya mossiae is the queen of Venezuelan Cattleyas. Once the most popular corsage flowers for Mother's day, it is now rarely seen in collections and cut flower trade.

See the magnificent pictures of *C. mossiae* in the wild presented in a PowerPoint presentation. Learn about its habitat and the perils that await the future for the queen of Venezuelan Cattleyas.

The presenter will be Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids in Vista.

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for 42 years and has been hybridizing

for 38 of those years, with over 34 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry.



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.

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

Officers 2022-2026

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2022-2025 Term

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PLANT-O-RAMA

Since we have not been able to have our usual Orchid Show and Sale for the last few years, the NHOS Board has decided to use the Plant-O-Rama as a fundraising event.

The Plant-O-Rama is an event sponsored by the Sherman Library and Gardens for local plant societies, including the International Fern Society, Saddleback Bromeliad Society, SoCal Hibiscus Society, Southern California Begonia Society, Southern California Carnivorous Plant Enthusiasts, and NHOS.

We will be purchasing blooming plants to sell to the public on Saturday, July 20, and Sunday, July 21, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. We need volunteers to help in the selling booth. Please call Rosemary at 714-892-2278 to volunteer for a two-hour shift either day. You will receive free admission to the Gardens by showing your NHOS badge.

On Sunday, members will be able to sell their own plants. Because the booth is so small, we must limit the number of participants and perhaps the hours when you can sell. You will have to stay in the booth and handle all your own sales, with 25% going to NHOS.

If you want to sell your own plants on Sunday, you **MUST** contact Paula Butler at 714-856-6222, by July 1.

Thank you for your support.

Paula Butler
Jan Hennessey





May 2024 Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
	5 points	3 points	1 point	
CATTLEYA	L. superbiens Michael Miranda	C. skinneri K. Nebring	Schom. Tibicinis Michael Miranda	Lynn Wiand
CYMBIDIUM	Euph. andamanensis Merle Robboy			
DENDROBIUM	Den. thyrisiflorum Espie Quinn	Den. unicum Dean Shoffeitt	Den. Little Winmaws	Barb Livingston
EPIDENDRUM	Epi. parkinsonianum Lynn Wiand	Epi. parkinsonianum Espie Quinn		Rosemary Krumme
MAXILLARIEAE	Lyc. Abou First Spring Gen. Gundersen	Lyc. cruenta Dean Shoffeitt	Trt. Pumilum ???	Barb Livingston
ONCIDIUM	Burr. Sunkissed 'Buttercup' Gen. Gundersen	Onc. selligerrum Merle Robboy		Rosemary Krumme
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Paph. micrantha Dean Shoffeitt	Paph. Bengal Lancers 'Indian Durbar' Lynn Wiand	Paph. hirsutissimum alba Espie Quinn	Lily Hara
PHALAENOPSIS	Phal. Chiada Stacey Yan Zhou			Bill MacCorkell
PLEUROTHALLID	Masd. ignea Rick Wells	Masd. Machupichu K. Nebrig		Lynn Wiand
VANDA	Neost. Pinky 'Lots of Spots' Espie Quinn	Sarco. Hot Ice 'Solid' x Baugip 'Forest Fruit' Dean Shoffeitt	Angcm. leonis Michael Miranda	Paula Butler
MISCELLANEOUS	Octomeria Merle Robboy	Epcts. gigantea Dean Shoffeitt	Pnr. Graminifoli Dean Shoffeitt	Jan Hennessey
NOVICE	No Entry			
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Masd. Ignea Rick Wells			Jose Carlos Lopez

May Meeting Pix

