



ORCHIDS AWEIGH

Newsletter of the NEWPORT HARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY

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

September 2024

President's Message

Hi everyone!

We're coming to the end of summer and yet it's still very warm. It's time to clean up your orchids from those annoying weeds, pests, and dead growth, getting them ready for fall and spring for new life and blooms.

We're looking forward to having our spring show and sale coming up in February of next year. For this show, we are opening it up to other exotic plant vendors to join us and the Viet-

namese Bonsai Club. I'm trying to have our show at the Westminster Mall, which is a great venue, but it's uncertain.

Our August meeting went very well. Thank you, **Merle Robboy** for your presentation of the display plants. Thank you, Peter Lin, for your wonderful lecture on dendrobiums. For as long as I have been growing orchids, I'm still learning something every time I attend our meetings.

I'm looking forward to Tim Culbertson's visit on our September meeting, which is on

Culture Class

7:00 p.m.

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

the **fourth Tuesday of the month, September 24.**

I hope all of you are doing well and looking forward to seeing you in September.

Take care!

Michael Miranda
NHOS President

September Speaker

Tim Culbertson "Lycaste Breeding, Culture, and Growing"

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college.



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

From the very beginning it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly one thousand.

While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in paph breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own, and growing up my own babies is a blast. I enjoy making my culture the best it can be, and I have had numerous experiences with professional growers in California and on the East Coast, which has helped tremendously.

I am an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and have served in various capacities with local orchid societies. I love meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip.

I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National

Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium.

For your meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation on recent advances in Lycaste breeding, culture, and growing. These plants are easy to grow and flower, are vigorous, and have low demands on culture, and as such are wonderful plants!

Tremendous advancements in breeding Lycastes have been made recently, and I will share some of these with you, as well as help identify some of the important species in the backgrounds of historically important and modern Lycastes.

By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of what goes into breeding trends for these types of plants, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth.

Attention!!!

Because of a conflict with the community center, our September meeting is on the 4th Tuesday. See you on September 24.



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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 at the regular monthly meetings.

September 24: This is the fourth Tuesday of the month.

October 15

November 19

December 17

Dues are Due

We began collecting dues at the August meeting. \$30 per individual and \$40 for two people at the same address. You can also mail your check made out to NHOS (but don't put NHOS on the envelope) to:

Linda Barker
PO Box 1204
Laguna Beach CA 92652

Please contact Linda at (949) 529-7535 if you have questions.

Huntington International Orchid Show

We will again be putting in an orchid display at the Huntington International Orchid Show, October 18-20, 2024. Keep an eye out for any of your plants that will be blooming at that time. More details to follow.

As a member of our society, you may receive a free one day pass to the show but you must register by October 10 at <https://forms.gle/ypzYMVReR2FFnSb6>.



Year End Awards

At our Installation Banquet in July, we presented awards to the top three people who brought in plants for Show & Tell for the last year.

First place went to **Merle Robboy**, second to **Gen Gunderson** and third to **Espie Quinn**.

Congratulations to all and thank you for sharing your wonderful blooms with all of us.

Show Committee Meeting

The next show meeting will take place at my house on September 17 at 6:30 p.m. Everyone is welcome.

Paula Butler
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Proudly Present the 43rd
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Orchid Show and Sale

September 7 & 8 Hours 10 am to 4 pm
Location: Palos Verdes Art Center
5504 Crestridge Road Rancho Palos Verdes, CA 90275

See award winning orchids on display
Buy direct from commercial nurseries and growers
Visit the Palos Verdes Art Center Gallery
Participate in the hourly raffle (with your paid admission)

Admission: \$5.00 Adults Children under 12: Free
Free Parking

More information:
southbayorchidsociety.com/Show



August Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
POINTS	5 pts	3 pts	1 pt	
CATTLEYA	L. crispa Espie Quinn	Lc. CG. Roefling Espie Quinn	Pot. Fantasy Bird Merle Robboy	Winn Winmaw
CYMBIDIUM	Cym. finlaysonianum K. Nebrig			Winn Winmaw
DENDROBIUM	Den. amabilis 'Hsinying Queen' Espie Quinn			Roberta Fox
EPIDENDRUM	Epi. raniferum Lynn Wiand	Enc. brassavolae Merle Robboy	Enc. guatemalensis Merle Robboy	Espie Quinn
MAXILLARIEAE	Sudamerlycaste samersiorum Rick Wells	Max. dillonii Lynn Wiand		Espie Quinn
ONCIDIUM	Brs. Rex Bob Latimer	Milt. Golden Wonders Gen Gundersen	Onc. Volcano Hula Halua 'Volcano Queen' Merle Robboy	Espie Quinn
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Paph. Berenice Lynn Wiand	Paph. St. Swithins Kayoko Nebrig	Paph. robinicum Espie Quinn	Barb Livingston
PHALAENOPSIS	Phalaenopsis Espie Quinn			Miko Yang
PLEUROTHALLID	Cprimary – Lybria Barb Livingston			Steve Kaufmann
VANDA	Hueglihara Barb Livingston			Kayoko Nebrig
MISCELLANEOUS	Sngl. woodie Dean Shoffeitt	Pho. imbricata Barb Livingsto		Kay Firebaugh
POINTS	3 pts	2 pts	1 pt	
NOVICE	No entry			
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Paph. St. Swithins or Cym. Finlaysonianum Kayoko Nebrig			Peter Lin

AUGUST MEETING PIX

