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#### Regular Meeting Schedule

Doors open at 6:30 pm  
Table/chair setup, plants in place  
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm  
Culture session  
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm  
Opportunity drawing  
Table/chair teardown  
Doors close at 9:30 pm

# South Coast Orchid Society

\*\*\*71 Years of Orchid Excellence\*\*\*

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

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## Orchid News October 2021

With fewer in-person orchid events to attend, your editor looked into the AOS Webinars, and found a very informative discussion of fertilizers and their applications conducted by Ron McHatton, the AOS Chief Education and Science Officer. Did you know that black leaf tips on Cattleyas can result from too little fertilizer and other nutrients reaching the ends of new growth. Also, with the faster growth that occurs in hot and bright greenhouses, it is necessary to apply greater quantities of water and fertilizer (including calcium and magnesium) to keep up with new cell development. Recalling Chadwick's book on Cattleyas, which states that *Cattleya warscewiczii* grows very rapidly once the new growth reaches about four inches, I now understand why my *Cattleya warscewiczii*s have black leaf tips. This isn't "Little Shop of Horrors" stuff, but these plants can get really hungry! (No wonder I sometimes feel like Seymour Krelboin.)

## President's Message

I am recovering from back surgery, so my part of this message will be short. SCOS received a gift of \$50 from Kate Wolman in memory of Herb Baron. SCOS can always find a good use for such donations, but of course, we would rather have another orchid lover as a member.

John McCoy, our First Vice President, has been in touch with the City of Long Beach, and recently got word the best prognosis is for our first in-person meeting at Whaley Park is January, 2022. Meanwhile, check our website for more orchid lore, including the commercial adaptation of day-length sensitive orchids ("controllable Cattleyas") to bloom for a range of holidays from Christmas to Easter -- coming to our website about November 1.

John<sup>2</sup>

## Member's Orchids



Cattleya bicolor (greenish-bronze sepals and petals, narrow lip). Russ Nichols



Cattleya bicolor (brownish-bronze sepals and petals, wider lip). Russ Nichols



Cattleya bicolor. Russ Nichols



**LAELIA (aka Cattleya) purpurata**

Lynn Wiand



**Gongora cassidea (Mexico)**

Lynn Wiand





*Cattleya dormaniana*. Russ Nichols



*Cattleya forbesii*. Russ Nichols



*Lc. Elegans* (*C. leopoldii* x *L. purpurata* sanguinea, spicy fragrance)  
Russ Nichols



**Slc Minipet** (Sl Orpetii 'Kathleen' AM/AOS x Soph coccinea 'Higher Ground') 2-1/2" flower in 2" pot in a hanging basket

Lynn Wiand



**Blc Crispin Rosales** (*C. Bonanza* x *Rlc Norman's Bay*) 7-1/2"  
GREAT fragrance!

Lynn Wiand





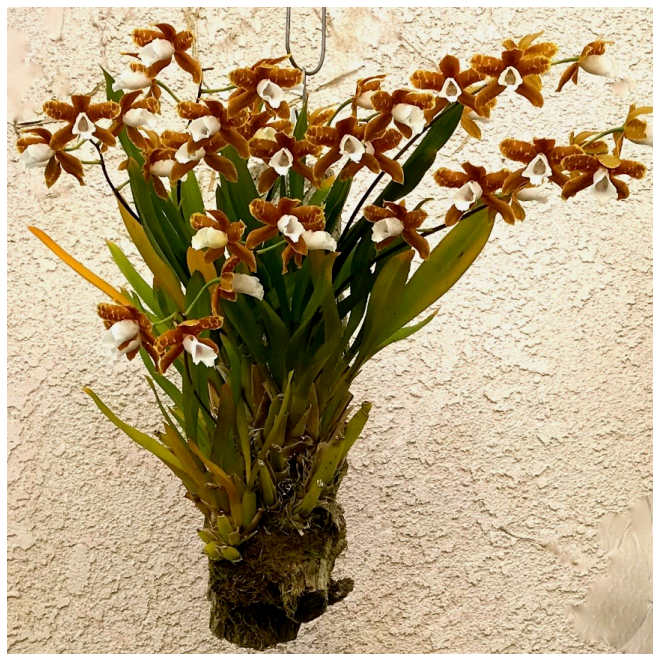
*Laelia ghillanyi*, one of the tiny rupicolous Laelias. Russ Nichols



*Laelia perrinii*. Large flower for *L. perrinii*, about 6-7 inches in diameter. Russ Nichols



Unknown bifoliate from Park Nursery (R.I.P.) in LB circa 1993. Russ Nichols



***Miltonia candida* (Brazil)** very nice fragrance

Lynn Wiand



*Cattleya maxima* (lowland variety). Russ Nichols





**Pleurothallis strupifolia**  
(Brazil)

Lynn Wiand

Close up



**Upcoming Events.** See our website for flyers: [www.southcoastorchidsociety.com](http://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com).

Orchid Digest (Virtual) Speakers Day, November 13, 12:30 to 5:00 PM EDT  
 Sunset Valley Orchids Open House, 1255 Navel Pl., Vista, Saturday Dec. 4, 9 AM to 4 PM

### Meeting Location

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

### Vendor Sponsors

**The South Coast Orchid Society thanks these commercial vendors for their generosity and support of our 2019 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through a successful 2021. If you need supplies or want to shop for orchids, please consider these vendors first. They helped us, maybe we can help them, and get some great orchids too!**

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