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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

72 Years of Orchid Excellence

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

November 2022

Life on the Rocks: The World of Rupicolous Orchids **presented by Ron Kaufman** **Monday, November 28, 2022**

Our speaker in September will be Ron Kaufmann, chair of the American Orchid Society Conservation Committee, chair of the San Diego County Orchid Society Conservation Committee, and a founding director of the Orchid Conservation Alliance (OCA). He serves on the boards of OCA, Orchid Digest, and Fundación EcoMinga (an Ecuadorian conservation organization).

Ron has been growing orchids for more than 25 years and has traveled extensively to view orchids in the wild in Asia and South America, particularly Brazil, Ecuador and Colombia.

His talk will explore the habits and habitats of orchids that grow on rocks, with a focus on Brazil. Rocky terrains host a surprising number of orchid species, and the conditions in those settings are very different from those that we normally consider when deciding how best to grow plants in our own collections.

Ron is a marine biologist by training, and his scientific work includes studies of Antarctic and deep-sea ecosystems as well as marine communities in coastal Southern California. His orchid collection began with a reedstem Epidendrum and progressed to a diverse assemblage that contains mostly species orchids.

Ron has a long-standing interest in conservation and has been a member of the SDCOS Conservation Committee for nearly 25 years and chair since 2004. Since 1991, the Conservation Committee has awarded over \$260,000 to support projects in 23 different countries.

Most of Ron's orchids are grown in a 36 x 24 foot greenhouse and several outdoor shade-covered areas around his house in San Diego. Friends have suggested that

he build a second, much larger greenhouse to accommodate the many plants that often make walking through his greenhouse an exercise requiring extensive training in gymnastics and yoga to avoid serious injury. Thus far, this recommendation hasn't been followed, although the temptation is always there.

Our Speaker, Ron Kaufman



President's Message

We have a lot to be thankful for this Thanksgiving. SCOS had our first meeting in March after a 2 year covid imposed stoppage. Our meetings have grown in size, slowly but surely. I would like to thank our members old and new alike who have come out to support our meetings. John McCoy has scheduled a great speaker program during our restart. The only hiccup was last month when our speaker Doug Overstreet came down with covid. John McCoy had an excellent fallback presentation that went through some of the history of our Society. This month Ron Kaufmann the chair of the AOS Conservation Committee will be our speaker.

In some not so good news for SCOS, I was contacted by George Hatfield of AOS on Nov. 2nd. In his telecon he informed me he was moving AOS Judging out of Long Beach after our December 19, 2022 meeting. He did not mention where AOS Judging was moving or when they would meet. As some of you may not know, SCOS has provided and paid for the AOS Judging room since we first started meeting together in Long Beach in January 1968, 54 years. We obviously are disappointed with this decision. For those members that would like to have their orchid plants judged after Dec 2022 we will publish the new judging location when AOS makes it available.

SCOS's primary focus will be to continue to provide programs and grow our orchid community. Have a great Thanksgiving however and wherever you end up celebrating.

John Reyes

AOS Awards Photos

There were no orchids awarded at the Pacific South Judging Center in Long Beach, October 2022

Speaker's Choice of SCOS Member's Orchids

At our last meeting, we asked our speaker, John McCoy, to pick his favorite from among the orchids displayed by our members. John selected this *Cattleya deckeri*, grown by Espie Quinn, for its historic significance to our society as well as its stunning display of flowers.



Cattleya deckeri 'Brecht's', a species, grown outdoors by Espie Quinn

Member's Orchids

Thanks to our members for bringing these orchids in for display, and thanks to Mong Noiboonsook for photographing them.



Lc. Tristar Bouquet 'Hawaii'



Bc. Chief Pink Diana



Cattleya deckeri 'Brecht's'



Cattleya labiata 'September Mist'



Blc. Nacouche 'Pink Feathers'



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Member Lynn Wiand's Orchid Awarded at The Huntington

Lynn submitted this orchid for the show at the Huntington, and took home an amazing collection of awards. See the next page.



Ornithophora (Sigmatostylix) radicans, a species from Brazil. This plant is 18" wide and blooming 360 degrees around. In the middle is its original 4" basket. Nicely fragrant. From a three-bulb division given to me in 2006 in Belize.

Well-deserved awards for sixteen years of excellent culture.



6th Annual
Huntington Botanical Gardens
International Orchid Show

Best Orchid of Show
2nd Place

2022



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Best Botanical Specimen

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Best Overall Specimen

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A Pair of Orchids Blooming in the Editor's Garden



Cattleya labiata rubra



Cattleya trianae

Upcoming Events. See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.

Sunset Valley Orchids Open House, Vista, Saturday, December 3

Andy's Orchids Winter Open House, 724 Ocean View Ave, Encinitas Dec. 9-11, 10am-4pm

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show and Sale, Santa Barbara, March 10-12, 2023

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 most recent Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through the last year. 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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