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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

\*\*\*73 Years of Orchid Excellence\*\*\*

Newsletter Founded in 1950 January 2023

# Pushing Limits: Growing Orchid Species Outdoors In Southern California presented by Scott McGregor

Monday, January 23, 2023

After retiring from an IT career several years ago, Scott has developed expert skills in growing orchids. Southern California, with its favorable climate, is an ideal location to grow hundreds of orchid species outdoors. This is the story of an experiment to push the limits on what might be possible to grow, with a number of surprising outcomes. From this talk you'll learn about some beautiful new species (photos below) you can grow and some tips/techniques on outdoor growing.

# **President's Message**

Happy New Year. We kicked off the start of a new year at our December meeting with a traditional Mexican Tamale dinner and wonderful desserts from Porto's in Garden Grove. John McCoy presented a slide presentation of some of the old school orchid plants that had been judged in years past at our society meetings. The evening was enjoyed by the few members that attended along with a few AOS Judges. Poinsettia plants were given away in a raffle at the end of the evening. It would have been nice to have more members and their guests attend to kick off the holidays. We had plenty of food.

Since last year was a start up year after 2 years without in person meetings, it was difficult to get our members on board with in person meetings. I am hoping that this year we all make a concerted effort to increase attendance so we can all enjoy the great speaker programs that John McCoy has lined up for us. If you have any thoughts on how to build our membership we would welcome your input. Just contact us with any suggestions.

John Reyes

# **Orchid Gallery**



Diuris magnifica grown by Scott McGregor



Angraecum compactum grown by Scott McGregor



Eulophia speciosa grown by Scott McGregor



Dendrobium devonianum grown by Scott McGregor



Sophrocattleya Christa Great, from the Earl Felt Collection, grown by John McCoy



Dendrobium Warringah, FCC/AOC, grown by Russ Nichols



Dendrobium speciosum var. capricornicum 'Southern Cross' Consistently the first to bloom, grown by Russ Nichols



Variety capricornicum is one of the smaller varieties of Den. speciosum. Though the flowers look much the same, this variety is characterized by its small leaves.

grown by Russ Nichols

## **Upcoming Events.**

See our website for flyers: www.southcoastorchidsociety.com.
Orchids in the Park Show and Sale, San Diego, Balboa Park, January 28-29, 2023
Santa Barbara International Orchid Show and Sale, Santa Barbara, March 10-12, 2023
South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale, Palos Verdes Art Center, March 25-26, 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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