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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

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Mini-Catts: Delightful Cattleyas in Miniature

presented by Peter T. Lin

Monday, February 27, 2023

Peter started with orchids about 40 years ago. After time out for school and a career, he returned to the orchid hobby more seriously. He is now an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country. After years of patient work in the greenhouse, Peter is now credited with dozens of hybrids, many of them miniature Cattleyas. Many of these have won awards. Peter will review the species that are used in this type of breeding, the early hybrids that made "mini-catts" popular, and some of the exciting new hybrids. He will also discuss what it needed for successful growing and flowering of these wonderful little Cattleyas.

President's Message

We started 2023 with Scott MGregor talking about species that he has had success in growing outdoors in Southern California. The additional bonus was that we had a well attended meeting that received information on what species are available if your orchid growing area is outdoors. We had guests from Huntington Beach and as far away as Hollywood Hills. John McCoy has done a great job of advertising in local papers and in the LA Times. Hopefully the new guests will be encouraged to continue attending and to become members of SCOS. I hope to see attendance at our meetings continue to increase as the threat of covid diminishes. See you February 27th.

John Reyes

Peter T. Lin
Grower, Hybridizer, AOS Judge, SCOS Speaker



January Meeting Photos
Thanks to Mong Noiboonsook for the excellent pictures.



Lc. Issy, grown by Espie Quinn



Oncostyele Midnight Miracle 'Masai Splash'
grown by John McCoy



Cymbidium Kusada Flame 'Cal' grown by John McCoy

SCOS Members Orchid Photos



ERIA vanoverberghii (Brazil) Has 2 to 4 spikes at end of each growth...large plant in 5 inch pot, grown by Lynn Wiand



PLEUROTHALLIS leptotifolia (Brazil) tiny flowers that really smell bad...mounted on a 4 inch piece of bark, grown by Lynn Wiand



OSMOGLOSSUM pulchellum (Mexico)
mounted on a 6 inch vertical hanging piece of
tree branch nicely fragrant, grown by Lynn
Wiand



DENDROCHILUM tenellum
(Philippines) grown hanging in NZ sphagnum
moss in an 8 inch wide clay bowl. Always
blooms in January-February - fragrant, grown
by Lynn Wiand



Cymbidium Enzan Sarah, grown by John
McCoy



Dendrobium ToShay XOXO, grown by John
McCoy



Lc Santa Barbara Sunset, grown by John McCoy



Zygoneria Adelaide Oval, grown by John McCoy



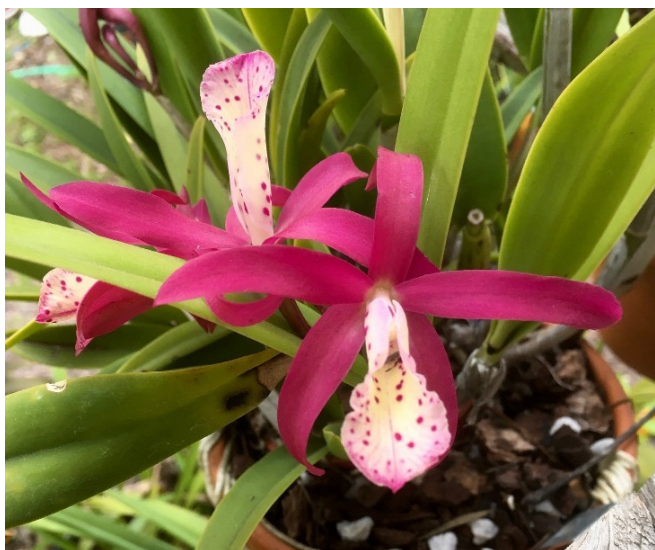
Rlc Lebenskreis, grown by John McCoy



Rhyncattleanthe Burana Beauty, grown by John McCoy



Cymbidium Snow Ball, grown by John McCoy



Brassocatanthe (C. Florence Lin x Brassanthe Maikai), grown by John McCoy



Cattleya loddigesii, grown by John McCoy



Cattleya Chester grown by John McCoy

A photo of Cattleya Chester was labeled as Sophrocattleya Christa Great (in the January newsletter), but some sleuthing revealed the correct name, discovered through correspondence with Julian Shaw, RHS registrar for orchid hybrids, and his international contacts, one of whom talked to the nursery owner in Brazil!

SCOS Bylaws, Officers, and Board Members

Due to conditions and restrictions during COVID causing facilities to be closed, and to assure the organization is up to date and following its required bylaws, a reconfirmation of the current board members to serve until the next Election is being requested. Paid SCOS members will be asked to consider a motion to that effect at the February meeting. The next scheduled Election will take place in December 2023. Once the reconfirmation vote is completed, the President will be authorized to fill any remaining board vacancies by appointment, as provided in the bylaws.

AOS Judging Photos for January

Thanks to Arthur Pinkers for photos of orchids awarded in January.



Cattleya Primeiro Passo 'Diamond Orchids' AM/AOS 82 pts exhibited by Peter T. Lin



Dendrobium Elegant Midnight 'Maureen Brown' AM/AOS exhibited by Scott Brown

Orchid Glossary – American Orchid Society Awards Explained

First Class Certificate – FCC/AOS – This quality award is granted to a specific plant cultivar when the plant scores between, and including, 90 points to one hundred points based upon: Flower form, Color, Substance and Texture, Size and Inflorescence Arrangement and Habit.

Award of Merit – AM/AOS – This quality award is granted to a specific plant cultivar when the plant scores between, 80 points to 89.5 points using the criteria for the FCC/AOS.

Highly Commendable Certificate – HCC/AOS – This quality award is granted to a specific plant cultivar when the plant scores between, 74.5 points to 79.5 points using the criteria for the FCC/AOS.

Judges Commendation – JC/AOS - Awarded to flowers or plants, individually or in groups, for a distinctive characteristic or aspect of historical or other importance which, in the opinion of the judges, is worthy of recognition. Judges' Commendations must record the specific values for which the award is given. Granted without scoring by an affirmative vote of at least 75 percent of the judging team assigned.

Award of Quality – AQ/AOS - Awarded once to a strain (the result of a mating of specific cultivars), exhibited by a single individual as a group of not less than 12 different clones or the inflorescences thereof, of a raised species or hybrid, which may or may not have been made before, when the result is of sufficient improvement over the former type.. At least one cultivar of the exhibited strain must receive, or have received, a flower quality award. It is granted unanimously without scoring by the judging team assigned. The specific values for which this award is granted must be recorded by the judging team.

Award of Distinction – AD/AOS - Awarded once to a cross, exhibited individually or collectively, representing a worthy new direction in breeding. The award is granted unanimously without scoring by the judging team assigned. The specific values for which this award is granted must be recorded by the judging team.

Certificate of Cultural Excellence – CCE/AOS – Awarded to the exhibitor of a specimen plant of robust health and appearance with an unusually large number of flowers. The plant must have been in the care of the exhibitor at least 12 months immediately prior to the award. The plant must score at least 90 points out of one hundred points based upon: The condition and size of the plant, Floriferousness, and Condition of Blooms.

Certificate of Cultural Merit – CCM/AOS –Awarded to the exhibitor of a specimen plant of robust health and appearance with an unusually large number of flowers. The plant must have been in the care of the exhibitor at least 12 months immediately prior to the award. The plant must score at between 80 points and 89 points based upon the criteria used for the CCE/AOS award.

Certificate of Horticultural Merit – CHM/AOS - Awarded to a cultivar of a species, subspecies or natural hybrid with outstanding esthetic appeal that contributes to the horticultural aspects of orchidology. The entire plant must be exhibited and not just the inflorescence and the plant and flowers displayed should be in good condition and have sufficient flowers to judge the horticultural merit of the plant. This certificate may be awarded more than once if a plant has characteristics significantly desirable and different from other awarded cultivars. The distinctive features of the

cultivar must be clearly described, measurements recorded and the country of origin should be noted, if known. The award should not be granted to a cultivar which has previously received a Certificate of Botanical Merit (an award that has been discontinued). A score of at least 80 points Flower characteristics (made up of Form, Color and Size); Plant characteristics made up of (Robustness, Condition and Floriferousness) Other characteristics Aesthetic appeal. A taxonomic verification is required.

Certificate of Botanical Recognition – CBR/AOS – Awarded to a cultivar of a species, subspecies, variety or natural hybrid deemed especially worthy of recognition for rarity, novelty or educational value previously unrecorded by AOS. The entire plant must be exhibited and not just the inflorescence. The plant need have no special horticultural value. The CBR is not a lesser award than the CHM, but is granted for different reasons. No award of any kind may have previously been made to the taxon. A taxon may be granted a second CBR only to correct a clear taxonomic error in the record and the description of such an award should clearly state the reason for the second award. Once an award has been cleared it will be allowed to stand, regardless of subsequent name changes resulting from taxonomic changes or award challenges. No point scale is used, but the award shall be granted only by the affirmative vote of at least two-thirds of the judging team assigned. This award is granted provisionally and filed with the judging center chair pending identification by SITF.

Awards for Display of Plants, Flowers and Educational Material:

Gold Certificate – GC/AOS - The Gold Certificate shall not be limited in number at any show. Criteria are as follows: The Gold Certificate shall be awarded to the exhibit that wins the AOS Show Trophy if the average of all scores is at least 90 points or if it scores at least 90 points independently from the show Trophy scoring. The criteria is based upon General arrangement (based upon: Balance, Contrast, Dominance, Proportion, Rhythm, Scale); Quality of flowers, Variety (either variety of genera, hybrids and species, or variety of color or horticultural forms) and Labeling.

Silver Certificate – SC/AOS - The Gold Certificate shall not be limited in number at any show. Criteria are as follows: The Gold Certificate shall be awarded to the exhibit that wins the AOS Show Trophy if the average of all scores is 85 points to 89 points or if it scores between 85 points and 89 points independently from the show Trophy scoring based upon the criteria listed in the Gold Certificate.

Show Trophy – ST/AOS - to encourage the improvement of the standards of exhibits, it is requested for awarding by the show committee. It is awarded if 1/3 or more of the certified judges present vote to award the trophy. Orchids must be the focal point of the exhibit. Scoring will use the criteria set forth in the Gold Certificate. The scores must average 80 points to 100 points.

Educational Exhibit Certificate – EEC/AOS - Awarded to an educational exhibit that furthers the knowledge and education of the public regarding orchids. Consideration should also be given to displays that further conservation awareness. The following Criteria apply: educational value; effectiveness of presentation; Adherence to conservation ideals; Clarity of labeling explanation; Appropriateness and attractiveness of staging; Originality.

Upcoming Events.

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

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show and Sale, Santa Barbara, March 10-12, 2023
Long Beach Amateurs Annual Orchid Auction, 6201 Willow, Long Beach, March 13, 6 pm
South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale, Palos Verdes Art Center, March 25-26, 2023
2023 AOS Spring Members Meeting, San Diego, show dates April 21-23

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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