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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

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# Asian Cymbidiums: Forms and Colors presented by Jack Zhu Monday, March 27, 2023

Jack Zhu is an engineer and orchid hobbyist from the Los Angeles area in California. He grows many varieties of orchids, focusing on Asian Cymbidiums. Jack is currently an AOS Associate Judge and has more than twenty AOS awards for Asian Cymbidiums. Jack began growing Asian Cymbidiums in 2016. As he gained more experience, he began to popularize these plants, and the traditions that come with them, among his orchid friends in Southern California. For his program at SCOS, Jack will concentrate on describing the forms and colors of this group, as well as how he grows them, and especially, how to repot them (with a demonstration). As with most orchids, the most important part of the plant for successful growing is the roots, which are usually hidden in the potting medium! This will all make better sense once we see how the plants grow, especially underground, and how the medium and the traditional pots support the plants.

### **President's Message**

Some of the rain has subsided. My whole yard is like a wet sponge, a little too much rain so close together. Hopefully you haven't been impacted by the rain. My cymbidiums are in full bloom along with the rest of my garden waking up. Luckily I completed all my garden pruning so now I can enjoy my orchids and garden as they start to bloom. We had an excellent talk by Peter Lin at our February meeting. Hopefully we will have better weather for our next meeting. Remember if your orchids are outside go and check them as they are probably starting active growth. Stay dry and I hope to see everyone at our March meeting.

John Reyes

Jack Zhu AOS Judge, Asian Cymbidium Expert, SCOS Speaker







# **February Meeting Photos**



Bonatia speciosa



Cymbidium tracyanum



Blc. Bill MacCorkell



Laelia Santa Barbara Sunset 'Showtime'

# **Orchid Photos** Recently Blooming Rupicolous Laelias from the Editor's Greenhouse



Laelia endsfeldzii



Laelia mantiqueriae



Laelia flava



Laelia crispata



Laelia cinnabarina

## **SCOS Society News**

Executive Board: At the February 27, 2023 meeting, members considered the following: "Resolved: SCOS Executive Board Members who held their respective offices at the end of 2019 are confirmed to serve in those offices until the end of 2023, by which time the next regularly scueduled election cycle will have been completed." The proposal was adopted without opposition. This process was necessary because we were unable to complete the required election cycles since the Covid-19 pandemic shut down our meetings. Our Bylaws (available on our web site) say that any situations not explicitly addressed in the Bylaws are to be resolved according to Robert's Rules of Order. As a result of the pandemic, the "Robert's Rules" organization recommends a membership vote as a way to make sure there is a functional Board until the next election cycle, as well as some other changes that we will need to consider this year, such as provisions for "virtual" board meetings and how best to deal with vacant board positions. Would you like to help with the revisions? Contact any board member!

News Flash! Brandon Tam, Orchid Specialist at the Huntington Botanical Center, has alerted us to the discovery of a thick bundle of SCOS newsletters and other documents with dates ranging from 1971 through 1997, found among the boxes of a donation from the estate of Paul Brecht, which is only now being inventoried. Boxes of orchid-related donations had to be moved around during an on-going remodeling project at the Botanical Center, and Brandon seized this opportunity to find out what is in them. More discoveries await! We will be digitizing the newsletters and adding them to our web site as time permits.

#### **Upcoming Events.**

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

South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale, Palos Verdes Art Center, March 25-26, 2023 OC Orchid Society Auction, Yorba Linda Community Cntr., Wed. April 19 (6:30 Preview, 7:00 Start) 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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