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Stories, articles and news items are welcome. The deadline is the 5th of the month.

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Monday, September 27, 2004 at 8:00 p.m.

Speaker: James Rose: CAL-ORCHID

"POTS FERTILIZER AND MEDIA"

Wow! We have the excellent fortune to have this speaker. This will surely be a night that you'll not want to miss. James Rose is a long time orchid enthusiast, lecturer and nursery owner among other things. For some time he has not spoken to any group that we know of but when he does, people in the "know" show up and listen.

James attended University of California Santa Barbara as an anthropology major. In 1971 he began working at Santa Barbara Orchid Estate. After 16 years there, and becoming manager, he left to establish his own nursery with his wife, Lauris. In 1987 they purchased Orchids By Rowe, 2 blocks from the Pacific Ocean and right across the street from the Orchid Estate in 1987, and totally redesigned the former cymbidium cut flower range to what is now a world renown orchid nursery providing one of the largest varieties of orchid species and hybrids in the U.S.

The nursery maintains an active breeding program and stud collection built upon years of traveling the globe. James is very well known for having a distinctively selective 'eye' for the new unusual plant, and Cal-Orchid's new and loyal customers reap the benefits. The nursery's inventory features the Cattleya, Cymbidium, Odontoglossum, Masdevallia, Calanthe, Lycaste, Paphiopedilum alliances as well as a good assortment of African species. Most recently the nursery has become recognized for their superior line of reed-stem Epidendrums.

James has published in numerous magazines, and respected for his vast knowledge as well as sense of humor, lectures all over the world. from Japan to South Africa to Europe at shows and World Orchid Conferences. Within the U.S. his plant opportunity tables are legendary. So please join us as we learn more about what James knows best--as we share our love of orchids.



Ribbon Judging AUGUST 2004

Cattleya Alliance

Cultural: Lc. Little Ben - Ruben Colmenares
First: Blc. Dora Louise Capen Lea - Phil Plocher
Second: Blc. Chen's Ruby - Ruben Colmenares
Third: C. gaskelliana - Espie Quinn

Mini - Cattleya

Cultural: Bl. Richard Mueller - Ruben Colmenares
First: Lc. Robert Strait - Ruben Colmenares
Second: Lc. Long Toon - Espie Quinn
Third: Epic. Unnamed - Ruben Colmenares

Cymbidium

First: Cym. Golden Elf 'Sundust' - Whitney France

Dendrobium

First: Den. Sylvia Yen - Harry & Janell Schuck
Second: Den. speciosum v curvicaule - Espie Quinn

Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium

First: Paph. parishii - John Reyes

Phalaenopsis

First: Phal. Brother Goldsmith - Vesta Bowles

Vanda & Ascasenda

Cultural: Vanda Unnamed - Sumitra Bangchalotorn
First: Ascda. Princess Mikasa - Phil Plocher
Second: Vanda Virat Chida - John Reyes
Third: Ascda. Foo Sun Beauty - John Reyes

Species

Cultural: Epi. parkinsonianum - Darrell Fullerton
First: Epi. caniculatum - Espie Quinn
Second: Enc. cochleata - Phil Plocher
Third: Lyc. bradenrum - Harry & Janell Schuck

*Thank you to all of the judges:
Sumitra Bangchalotorn, Luis Morente,
and Espie Quinn*

President's Message

Normally the summer meeting's attendance is light because of vacations. However August was an exception. Thanks to Nicholas Braemer's outstanding presentation we had a great turnout and participation in the silent auction and plant opportunity table.

Nick's presentation gave us alternate methods of growing orchids. He has adapted his collection to grow as they grow in the wild attached to empty baskets, pots, boards and logs thereby eliminating the need for re-potting. He certainly gave us all food for thought. Thank you Nick for your excellent presentation.

It just keeps getting better. Don't miss Jim Rose of Cal Orchid. We feel honored that he will be speaking to our society.

I would like to thank all the members who helped before, during and after the meeting. It's your participation that makes our meetings fun.

Remember we need your help at the October show at Westminster. I would like to see some of our newer members participate at the show. We will have a sign-up sheet for all those who wish to help out.

There will be no culture session this month. We will have a re-potting session at our October meeting.

**John Reyes,
President**

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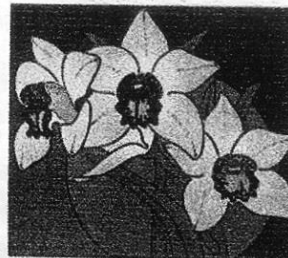
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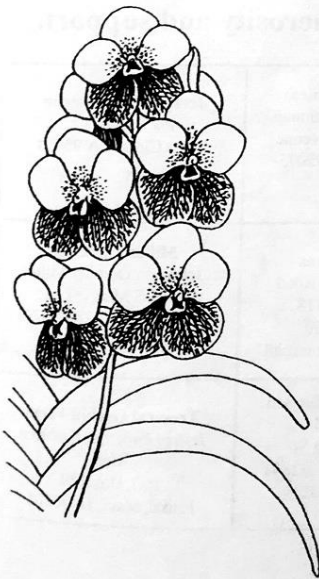
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There is a special drawing for those who bring food!

How are Orchids Judged?

What are those letters after their name mean?

The American Orchid Society (and other national groups) has established a series of criteria of excellence by which orchid plants are evaluated. Individual orchid plants ("cultivars" or "clones") may receive flower quality awards such as the First Class Certificate (FCC/AOS, 90+ points), Award of Merit (AM/AOS, 80 - 89 points), or Highly Commended Certificate (HCC/AOS, 75 - 79 points). Other awards may be given for achievement in culture, Certificate of Cultural Merit (CCM/AOS), or for botanical novelty, the Certificate of Botanical Recognition (CBR/AOS) and the Certificate of Horticultural Merit (CHM/AOS). While there are other flower awards that may be encountered, these will be the most commonly seen. Such awards are the purchaser's assurance of a high level of flower quality, whether in the plant itself or of its parents. Plants are judged at monthly judgments held at Centers around the country, or at AOS-sanctioned orchid shows, of which there are over 250 annually around the world.



UPCOMING EVENTS

Friday, October 1 -3, 2004
Westminster Mall
Coastline Orchid Show
Coastlineshow.com

SCOS will have a member plant sale table at this show. Dr. Phil Plocher will be providing tags for your sale plants. 75% will go to you and 25% to the society (unless you would like to donate more). We are looking for volunteers to work at the table during the weekend. Please consider signing up to work at our September meeting where we will have sign-up sheets.

October 8 - 10, 2004
International San Diego Orchid Fair
Sand Diego Fairgrounds Del Mar
Sdorchids.com

Monday, November 22
SCOS Annual Orchid Auction.
It's not too early to get your plants ready for this main fundraising event for our society. The money made from this event helps to provide speakers each month and offsets the cost of mailing our newsletters to our membership.

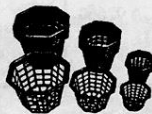
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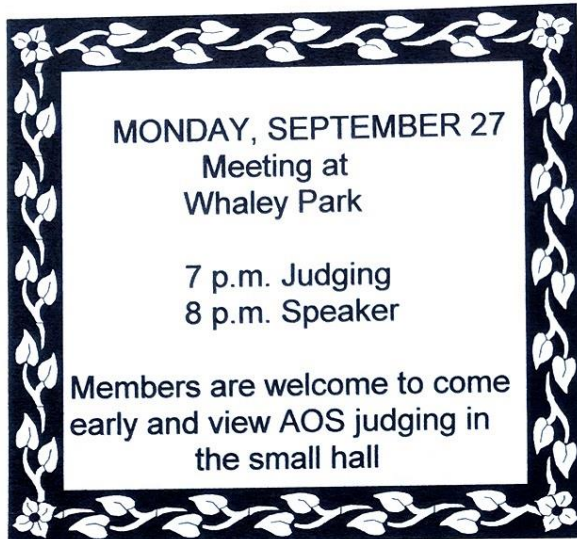
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