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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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Newsletter

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Cymbidiums: Ideal Orchids for SoCal

**Presented by John McCoy
Monday, February 23, 2026**

After the demise of the Cymbidium Society of America in 2019, and even for some years before that, we couldn't find a program for SCOS about growing "traditional" Cymbidiums. We had a great time with Jack Zhu's programs about "Asian" Cymbidiums, though, which are very different. After fielding many questions about finding and growing "normal" Cymbidiums, we finally decided to develop our own program! Cymbidiums have been grown outdoors in Southern California for well over a century. They are almost a perfect fit for the Long Beach climate, provided they have a little protection on the hottest days of summer. Otherwise, they are easy to grow. Spring bloomers, they come in many colors and sizes. Flowers, up to 5" across, last for several weeks. They deserve a place in our gardens! We will cover description of the major types, history, culture, and sources.

President's Message

Hello everyone. Sorry I couldn't attend the January meeting but my wife Pat had a serious surgery that week and she needed my support. Fortunately they were successful in removing the bad stuff and after meeting with her surgeon she will not require any additional treatment. So it is back to semi normal although I am still recovering from my knee replacement surgery. I heard we had a great meeting in January that was well attended. Remember we have our big auction fundraiser coming up in March; we need all hands on deck for that effort. I hope to see everyone at our next meeting and start organizing for our auction. See you there.

SCOS President, John Reyes

Cymbidiums



Cymbidium Baltic Dew 'Freckleface'



Cymbidium Shake Your Booty



The Hasegawas with Carol Klonowski

January Meeting Ribbon Judging

Thanks to Bill MacCorkell for sheparding the ribbon judging team.

Jan 26, 2026 SCOS Ribbon Judging Results

GENUS	FIRST PLACE	SECOND PLACE	THIRD PLACE	JUDGES
POINTS	5 pts	3 pts	1 pt	
CATTLEYA	C. Prism Pallett Bill MacCorkell	Blc. Lovesong x Quess What Eva VonHoff	Lc. Santa Barbara Sunset Desica Ingagiola	Dean Shoffeitt
CYMBIDIUM	Cym. Fifi Harry x Cym. Sticky Business Espie Quinn	Cym. tracyanum Una Yeh		Mong Noiboonsook
DENDROBIUM	Den. Aussie Charm x Zip Espie Quinn	Den. Royal Vista x speciosum Espie Quinn	Den. Royal Vista x speciosum Mong Noiboonsook	Russ Nichols
EPIDENDRUM	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
MAXILLARIEAE	Max. tonsbergii Don Goss	No Entry	No Entry	Desica Ingagiola
ONCIDIUM				
PAPHIOPEDILUM	Paph. Shin-Yi Pride Hoa Nguyen	Paph. Yang-Ji Apple Hoa Nguyen	Paph. stonei Hoa Nguyen	Russ Nichols
PHALAENOPSIS	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
PLEUROTHALLID	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
VANDA	Sed. japonica Desica Ingagiola	No Entry	No Entry	Bill MacCorkell
MISCELLANEOUS	No Entry	No Entry	No Entry	
POINTS				
CULTURAL AWARD WINNER—7 points	Paph. Yang-Ji Apple Hoa Nguyen			Carol Klonowski

Ribbon Judging Photos from our January Meeting

Many thanks to Don Goss for the excellent photos.



Cattleya Prism Palette grown by Bill MacCorkell



Maxillaria tonsbergii grown by Don Goss



Paphiopedilum Yang-Ji Apple grown by Hoa T. Nguyen



Dendrobium (Aussie Charm x Zip) grown by Espie Quinn



Cymbidium tracyanum grown by Una Yeh



Dendrobium (Royal Vista x speciosum) grown by Mong Noiboonsook



Blc. Love (Sound x Guess What) grown by Eva Von Huff



Lc. Santa Barbara Sunset grown by Desica Ingagiola



Paphiopedilum philippinense x anitum
grown by Hoa T. Nguyen



Cymbidium (Fifi Harry x Sticky
Business) grown by Espie Quinn



Paphiopedilum stonei grown by Hoa T.
Nguyen



Paphiopedilum Shin-Yi Pride grown by
Hoa T. Nguyen

Upcoming Events.

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

Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, March 20-22, Santa Barbara, 9 am to 4 pm
South Bay Orchid Society Show and Sale, Mar. 28-29, Palos Verdes Art Center, 10 am to 4 pm

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.

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