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## San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

# Bulletin

October Meeting Thursday, October 19, 2017 7:00 PM – Plant Judging 7:30 PM – General Meeting

Our regular meetings are held on the 3<sup>rd</sup> Thursday of the month at Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden, Lecture Hall, 301 North Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia

# AOS WEBINAR Cattleya Alliance in Mexico By Ron McHatton

This month we will be presenting a pre-recorded webinar. The AOS offers societies many pre-recorded webinar for us to see at our meeting. If you have heard or seen one that you think this our society would like, please let me know and I can arrange for us to view them at upcoming meetings. To help in costs, we may do this twice a year. If the topic, etc. is what our members would like to see.

Join us to hear Ron McHatton, Director of Education of the American Orchid Society, discuss the *The Cattleya Alliance in Mexico*. This will be an informative glimpse at some of the attractive orchid to be found in Mexico, both the well-known and the lesser-known, with some comments on their habitats and cultural needs. This webinar will discuss Brassavolas, Encyclias, Cattleyas, and Laelias



### SEPTEMBER PLANT JUDGING

| Species                 | Plant Name                     | Owners Name   |
|-------------------------|--------------------------------|---------------|
| Cultural:               | Dendrochilum magnum            | Dann Dunst    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         | Miltonia regnellii             | Dann Dunst    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Miltonia spectabilis           | Jim Gomes     |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | Miltonia regnellii var. alba   | Dann Dunst    |
|                         | Trichoglottis                  | Dann Dunst    |
| Cattleyas               | ····oriograms                  |               |
|                         | 0.14                           | 0 0           |
| Cultural:               | C. Mem. Dina Izumi             | Greg Orozco   |
| 1"                      | C. Lulu 'Hot Pink' AM/AOS x    | Jim Gomes     |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Lc. Summerland Girl            | - N           |
|                         |                                | Tuan Ngo      |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         |                                | Maryann Burns |
|                         | Bicolor 'Calliope'             |               |
| Hon.                    | C. C.G. Roebling 'Blue Magic'  | Lynn Mcllwain |
| Cattleyas Mini          |                                |               |
| Cultural:               |                                |               |
| 1 1 - 1 - 1 - 1         | Pot. Paradise Rose 'Hilo'      | Jim Gomes     |
| 2"0                     | Lc. Angel's Treasure           | Una Yeh       |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         |                                | Una Yeh       |
| Hon.                    | Lc. Cornelia x Indigo Dawn     | Jim Gomes     |
| Cymbidium               |                                |               |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         |                                |               |
| Cymbidium-              |                                |               |
| Novelty                 |                                |               |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Cym. Kusuda Shining x Peter    | Una Yeh       |
|                         | Pan                            |               |
| Dendrobiums             |                                |               |
| Cultural:               |                                |               |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         | Den. Unknown                   | Y.S. Farn     |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         |                                |               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | Den. Mini Purple               | Jim Gomes     |
| Hon.                    |                                |               |
| Oncidiums               |                                |               |
|                         | Onc. Earl Dunn                 | Y.S. Farn     |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         | Microchilum                    | Y.S. Farn     |
| 2nd                     | Mtssa. Dark Star 'Darth Vadar' | Jim Gomes     |
| 2rd                     | Oncda. Hula Halau              |               |
|                         | Oncua. Huia Halau              | Tuan Ngo      |
| Hon.                    |                                |               |
| Paph & Phrags           |                                |               |
| Cultural:               | Donk Charakadaiai-             | Doub Vacarris |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Paph. Chamberlainianum         | Raul Vasquez  |
|                         | i apin / innoin                | Gordon Quan   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         | Paph. Unknown                  | Raul Vasquez  |
| Std. Phals              | D. E. 1 (1.11)                 | 1: 0          |
|                         | Dtps. Firecracker 'Mailibu'    | Jim Gomes     |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         |                                |               |
| Mini Phals              |                                |               |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         |                                |               |
| Vandaceous              |                                |               |
| Cultural:               |                                |               |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         |                                | Dann Dunst    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Vanda Pachara Delight          | Raul Vasquez  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup>         |                                |               |
| Hon.                    | Neof. Unknown                  | Una Yeh       |
| Other Genera            |                                |               |
|                         | Dracula Bella x Cordobae       | Dann Dunst    |
| 1 <sup>st</sup>         | Masd, Cheryl Shohan            | Dann Dunst    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup>         | Lycaste Cruenta                | Raul Vasquez  |
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| 314                     |                                |               |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup><br>Hon. |                                |               |



It's October already and only three months left of the year.

October is a great time for the cattleya family, the C. Portia, and C. Porcia's will all be in bloom this month. This group of bifoleate cattleya's are so showy, with there large heads of beautiful blue or lavender flowers are definitely eye catchers.

Remember, The
Huntington Show this
month if you are
planning to enter plants
it's time to start
getting them cleaned
up and ready to go. See
you all at the meeting.

Greg Orozco President

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### Membership Welcome Message

We had 23 members in attendance at the September meeting.





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# Things to do in the Fall

We just returned from the AOS Members Meetings in Wilmington, Delaware and for us Floridians, it was refreshing to see autumn colors and feel some cool air. A frost was expected for the night we were leaving.

Like spring, fall is an important transitional season and orchid growers should be making preparations for the coming winter. As days get shorter and cooler, orchid growth will slow and in some cases, cease altogether. Unless a plant is in a crisis situation, put off any repotting until the lengthening days of spring. For many orchids, it is this change of seasonal conditions that begins flower initiation. As we move into November, be on the lookout for developing inflorescences on Phalaenopsis, Cymbidium and certain hybrids and species in other genera, and begin staking when spikes reach 6-8 inches.

If you have been summering some or all of your orchids outside, now is a good time to get your indoor growing area cleaned up and ready to welcome the returning orchids. Whether it is windowsill carts, a basement light setup or greenhouse, use diluted chlorine bleach (1:10) or Physan to clean off any accumulated algae. It is easier to make repairs when there are

no plants, so make sure that your growing area is in top condition for the trying conditions of winter. Make sure that heaters are working and that you have plenty of fuel. If you use backup devices or alarms, test them too. Be sure to check plants thoroughly for pests before returning them to the close quarters of your indoor growing area or greenhouse.

For more detailed seasonal culture information on specific genera see Tom Mirenda's excellent monthly "Orchid Checklist" in Orchids magazine.



Although it blooms reliably for us at *Christmas, Cattleya percivaliana* can bloom anytime from October into January. It blooms at the early end of that range in its habitat in the Venezuelan Andes. Shown here is the albescent color form, 'Sonia de Urbano'.

The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.

# Cymbidium Society of America's new judging

**center** located at the Huntington Botanical Gardens and Library in San Marino, CA.



# Orchid Festival at Gubler Orchids in Landers



### **UPCOMING EVENTS**

October 6 – 8 Andy's Orchids Fall Open House

734 Oceanview Ave., Encinitas, CA Info: www.andysorchids.com

October 20 - 22 Huntington Botanical Gardens Intl. Orchid Show & Sale

1151 Oxford Road San Marino, CA 91108 www.huntington.org

## October 23 SCOS Orchid Auction

Whaley Park Clubhouse 5620 Atherton Street Long Beach, CA 6 – 10 PM

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday**, **October 26**, at the LA County Arboretum. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net).



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