

San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

August Meeting
Thursday, August 15, 2013
7:30 PM Plant Judging
8:00 PM General Session

Our regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at
Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden,
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GENERAL MEETING: PETER LIN **“BEST ORCHIDS TO GROW OUTDOORS”**

We are pleased again to have Peter Lin as our guest speaker this month. He is a member of our society and he is our Annual Auctioneer for our fund raiser in May.

Peter started growing orchids over 30 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 9 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again! He is 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.

Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, Angraecoids, and Neofinetias. He is also known as "Mr Sophronitis" as he has a passion for growing and collecting them. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, outdoors, as well as indoors under lights.

Plant Opportunity Table

The plant table for this month will be provided by Peter's company "Diamond Orchids. Don't forget to get your tickets?"

September Meeting

Roy Tokunaga of "H & R Nursery" from Hawaii will be our guest speaker.

JULY PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:	B. cucullata	Ken Fujimoto
1 st	Dracula cordobae	Dann Dunst
2 nd	Neofinetia falcate 'Niji-No-Shizuku'	Alan Del Castillo
3 rd	Bulb. madevalliaceum	Dann Dunst
Hon.		
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	C. Unknown	Anna Plewinski
1 st		
2 nd		
3 rd		
Hon.	L. Pacavia 'Purple Strain'	S&D Lundine
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:	Blc. Waianae Leopard 'Ching Hua'	S&D Lundine
1 st	Blc. Hawaiian Passion 'Carmela'	S&D Lundine
2 nd		
3 rd		
Hon.	Rhy. Digbyana	Una Yeh
Cymbidium		
Cultural:		
Hon.		
Cymbidium-Novelty		
Cultural:	Cym. Peter Pan x ensifolium	Ken Fujimoto
1 st		
2 nd		
3 rd		
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:	Den. Cuthbertsonii	Alan Del Castillo
1 st	Den. Cuthbertsonii	Alan Del Castillo
2 nd	Den. Mohlianum	Alan Del Castillo
3 rd		
Oncidiums		
Cultural:	Rossioglossum williamsianum 'Over My Head'	Alan Del Castillo
1 st	Wilsonara Golden Afternoon	Jose Gonzalez
2 nd	Miltonia Unknown	Dann Dunst
3 rd		
Paph & Phrags		
Cultural:	Paph. Toni Semple 'Funky Town'	Alan Del Castillo
1 st	Paph. Pinocchio x Paph. In-Charm	Alyce Griffith
2 nd		
Std. Phals		
Cultural:		
1 st	Phal. Unknown	Alyce Griffith
2 nd	Phal. Mount Beauty x Dtps. New Candy	S&D Lundine
Mini Phals		
1 st	Phal. Parishii	Alan Del Castillo
2 nd	Phal. (Peachy Keen x Mariae) x Ambomanniana	Jim Gomes
Vandaceous		
Cultural:		
1 st		
Other Genera		
Cultural:	Encyclia Unknown	Una Yeh
1 st	Aganax Blue Indigo	Charles Hardman
2 nd	Encyclia Cindy	Toby Luong
3 rd	Epicat. El Hatillo	Alyce Griffith
Hon.		

Dear Friends:

Many of us will agree that the Plant Opportunity Table is one of the highlights of our meetings. However, many non-members, and members not up to date with dues have been buying tickets for the P.O.T., it's not fair to paid members.

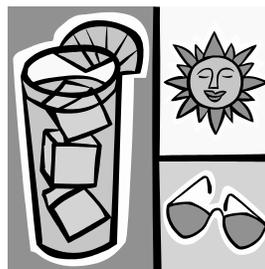
Please note that it is our policy that ONLY MEMBERS can buy tickets for the P.O.T.

Guests are welcome to attend two meetings before joining SGVOH.

If you have any comments and/or suggestions regarding SGVOH, please let us know. We would love to hear your input.

Hope everyone is having a wonderful summer.

President,
Irene Sriboonwong



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Membership Welcome Message

Please **WELCOME** new member **Aurora Casillas**. We had 31 members and 6 guests in attendance for the July meeting.

ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN

Anyone interested in advertising in the SGVOH Bulletin should contact **Greg Orozco** at g.orozco3400@att.net for prices and information.

Bulletin Deadline: Those wishing to place announcements in the bulletin should get the information to the editor, **Jim Gomes** (626)577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net, by the Friday following the fourth Thursday of the month.

**Southland Orchid
Show
Presents
"Orchids
Mystique"**



It's time to start planning what we want to do for this year's display for the Southland Orchid Show.

Again, we will be asking for your help with the display and hopefully we will all have some plants in bloom at that time. Two years ago, we had a great turnout of volunteers, plants, won "Best Theme Award".

We will have a sign up sheet at the next meeting for all that wish to participate, so please sign up and help us win another award this year.

Thanks Greg



**Ice Cream
Social**

The Cymbidium Society of America, San Gabriel Branch, invites all orchid lovers to an ice cream and orchid social at 7:00 PM on September 24, 2013 at the Los Angeles County Arboretum, 301 North Baldwin Ave, Arcadia CA.

Fun, ice cream sundaes, and lots of orchid talk among attendees will be the focus of the evening.

No charge to you.

*The Cymbidium Society,
San Gabriel Branch*

**When Should I
Repot?**



When an orchid plant starts to grow over the edge of the pot, it is time to repot it!

Orchid plants need repotting for one or a combination of two main factors: Potting mix breaks down, often evidenced by dead roots, or the plant outgrowing the container. In the first case, a larger pot may not be required, simply replace the growing medium. In the second case, the plant may need dividing or may be shifted into a larger pot. Fresh media should always be used. A good general rule of thumb is to pot for the bottom of the plant, the root system, and not for the top, the foliage.

**How do I
feed my
orchid?**



Experienced orchid growers fertilize their orchids weakly, weekly.

Orchids need to be fed regularly. Growers suggest using a "balanced" fertilizer such as 20-20-20 that includes all "necessary trace elements." Regardless of the fertilizer formulation you choose to use, it should contain little or no urea. If you are unsure of what fertilizer to use, you can generally use any fertilizer you would for your other container plants. Orchids will do far better with too little fertilizer than with too much. Many growers recommend the "weakly, weekly" approach, applying a dilute (1/4 strength) fertilizer each time they water, rather than applying a full dose once a month. Also, it is best not to fertilize a completely dry plant as the fertilizer can burn the dry roots. Water first then follow with fertilizer solution.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 3

**Palomar Orchid Society
2013 Orchid Auction**

The Pavilion at Lake San Marcos
1105 La Bonita Drive
San Marcos, CA 92078
www.palomarorchid.org

**September 21 - 22
South Bay Orchid Society
Show and Sale**

South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
Palos Verdes, CA
www.southbayorchidsociety.com

August 9 - 11

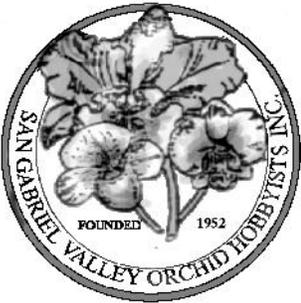
**Newport Harbor Orchid Society
Summer Exotic Plant & Orchid Festival**

1025 Westminster Mall
Westminster, CA
www.nhosinfo.org

**September 28 - 29
Fascination of Orchids**

South Coast Plaza Village
1631 West Sunflower
Santa Ana, CA 92704
www.ocorchidshow.com

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, August 22**, 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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