



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

May Meeting
Annual Auction
Thursday, May 16, 2013
Preview 6:00 PM : Auction 7:00 PM

Our regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at
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ANNUAL AUCTION

Our May Auction is the major fund-raiser for SGVOH. It is also a place that we can all **find good plants at good prices**, have fun, and learn about orchids.

Sound good? Sure it does! Help make the evening a success for SGVOH – **Bring** those great **duplicate plants** that you have (you will make room for some new ones from the Auction and get a tax deduction to boot!!).

Please arrive early; logging incoming plants and supplies begins at 6 PM. You want time to register for a paddle and to pick out your favorites for bid before the **auction starts promptly at 7 PM**.

We are lucky this year to have Judge **Peter Lin** as our Auctioneer. Peter is a superior auctioneer who is a probationary AOS Judge. This means plenty of know-how and plenty of fun.

What about plants? Our Board members are busy scurrying all over Southern California to collect up **plants** and **supplies** donated by our generous supporting vendors. Some plants are being shipped in from various parts of the country. We also have **gift certificates** donated by various growers. It is a **very rich selection** of items.

You know you can't resist! Come with your **friends**, your **cash** and your **check book** (*credit cards* will NOT be accepted)! And clear out that trunk of your car – you will need the space to take your bargains home. **Also bring along boxes**, as they are most useful in keeping your plants upright in your car.

Come early, stay alert, and get ready to have some fun.

Special Raffle Ticket

Bring refreshments and get a special raffle ticket for a plant to be raffled off during the auction.

APRIL PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:	Max. tenuifolia	S&D Lundine
1 st	Bulb. platyrhaohis	Dann Dunst
2 nd	C. mossiae	Ken Fujimoto
3 rd	C. intermedia	Ken Fujimoto
Hon.		
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	Slc. Samba Princess	Y.S. Farn
1 st	Pot. Love Passion	Linda Peterson
2 nd	C. Unknown	Jim Gomes
3 rd	C. Janice Evans	Jim Gomes
Hon.	C. Skinneri	Jim Gomes
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:	C. Intermedia Alba	Linda Peterson
1 st	Slc. Hsin Buu Lady	
2 nd	Lc. Trick or Treat x Lc. Rojo	Jan Pluim
3 rd		
Hon.	Pot. Spirit Circle	Y.S. Farn
Cymbidium		
Cultural:		
Hon.		
Cymbidium-Novelt		
Cultural:	Cym. Mem. Connie Jo Nine	Greg Orozco
1 st	Cym. Pee Wee	Y.S. Farn
2 nd	Cym. Devon Shell 'New Horizon'	Una Yeh
3 rd	Cym. Pee Wee	Greg Orozco
Hon.	Cym. Golden Tiger 'Liz' x Miss Muffet	Jim Gomes
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:	Den. Anosmum	S&D Lundine
1 st	Den. Nobile	Linda Peterson
2 nd	Den. Nobile 'Star Sapphire'	Tuan Ngo
3 rd	Den. Super Isle	Alyce Griffith
Hon.	Den. Nester 'NN'	Una Yeh
Oncidiums		
Cultural:		
1 st		
2 nd		
3 rd		
Paph & Phrags		
Cultural:	Paph. Prince Edward of York	Brandon Tam
1 st	Paph. Ching Hua Dancer	Alan Castillo
2 nd	Paph. Shin Yi Dragon	Brandon Tam
3 rd		
Hon.		
Std. Phals		
Cultural:	Phal. Unknown	Jan Pluim
1 st	Phal. Unknown	Jan Pluim
Mini Phals		
Cultural:		
1 st		
Vandaceous		
Cultural:		
1 st		
Other Genera		
Cultural:	Zgo. John Banks 'Blue Lake'	David Campen
1 st	Angrecum	Una Yeh
2 nd	Sarcochilus 'Heidi'	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Masd. Keiko Komoda	Dann Dunst
Hon.	Tolu. Luettick Surprise x Tolu. Mem. Ralph Yagi	Jim Gomes

SGVOH AUCTION MAY 16TH

We depend upon the funds we raise at the Auction to **help support meeting costs for the year** (speaker's fees, plant table, and room rental. As you go through your orchids, **please begin to identify those divisions that would be great donations to our auction.** With 'Show Time' this month in Southern California, you know you need to be generating a bit more room in your growing area for those lovely new plants you will buy.

Put May 16th on your calendar and begin inviting your friends and family to join you at this fun event. What a great way to introduce them to the myriad of orchids available at Low, Low prices!

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2013 Membership Dues

Pay your news for 2013 now while you think of it. Dues are still only \$20.00. You can mail your check for \$20.00 to SGVOH, PO Box 660111, Arcadia, CA 91066 or bring it to the February meeting.

Membership Message

Welcome

We would like to **WELCOME** new member **Janice Kramer**. We had 33 members and 10 guests in attendance.

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.

Monthly Checklist for May and June

Cattleya

The last of the spring-flowering types -- those that flower from a ripened hard pseudobulb -- will be finishing, while the first summer-blooming types will be showing buds on their rapidly growing, soft pseudobulbs. Both may need potting, as signaled by deteriorating mix, this month. The spring bloomers present no problems, as you will be dealing with fully ripe, well-hardened pseudobulbs. They will be ready to root on the mature front pseudobulb and will establish quickly. The summer bloomers, will be brittle and may be in bud. Nonetheless, experienced growers know that unless potted now, they may not root later, as this type tends to be seasonal in its rooting behavior. Stake the lead growth to avoid breakage. May can still present some changing light conditions that can lead to burning of the foliage if the plants have not been properly acclimatized. Allow them to build up their tolerance to higher light gradually. Changing light and temperatures can also be the source of some frustration when trying to determine when plants need watering. While cattleyas will be entering into a period of rapid growth starting this month, they have still not built up sufficient momentum to be significantly slowed by your missing a day or two of watering owing to dark weather. As always, it is safer to err on the dry side than on the wet. It is important, though, especially to the summer bloomers. Too much shade will cause rapidly developing inflorescences to droop unattractively.

Paphiopedilum

The *Paphiopedilum Maudiae* types will be well into their season now, so a careful eye should be used toward staking. Do not be too anxious to stake, however. Many of this type, if staked too soon, will develop nodding flowers that do not face the observer. It is better to allow the flowers to ripen naturally, then support the spike right below the ovary for best display. This is especially common in *Paphiopedilum fairrieanum*-derived hybrids. If you have to do something when you first see the emerging spikes, just put the stake in the pot next to the spiking growth. Not only will this help you, but you will be able to see where the spikes are, so you can continue to pay attention to their development. The multifloral types will be entering their most active growth phase, so lots of light, water and fertilizer are called for to mature their large growths. Many will be spiking in the next couple of months, so be on the lookout for the emerging inflorescences. These may benefit from earlier staking than most, as the inflorescences grow so quickly in some cases that they can be quite soft. Again, best support is right below the ovary of the first flower. This will allow the most natural presentation of the blooms.

Phalaenopsis

Except for the latest-spiking plants, all phalaenopsis should be ready for potting or already potted. Because phalaenopsis are tropical plants, they tend to be seasonal in their rooting behavior. The critical point for potting is when new roots emerge from the base of the plant. This is absolutely the best time to repot a phalaenopsis. The summer-flowering types, based on *Doritis* background, have ideally already been potted and are becoming freshly established, ready to support their soon-to-emerge spikes for the summer season. Phalaenopsis potted at the right point in their growth cycle will reestablish almost immediately, with fresh roots growing into the new medium nearly uninterrupted. As soon as the flush of new root growth is seen, begin regular watering and fertilizing to make maximum use of the major growing season. Do not get over-exuberant with your watering, though, allowing water to splash between plants. This can be a source of infection for both water-borne pathogens and viral contamination. Phalaenopsis are much more susceptible to virus than was previously thought. Take extra care to keep your collection free of bacterial and viral problems, which you can accomplish by maintaining a clean growing area.

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

UPCOMING EVENTS

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Mark Your Calendar

May 18

Casa de las Orquideas
Super Seedling Sale

9am-4pm

in person only

170 S. Nardo Ave.

Solana Beach, CA 92075

www.orquideas.com

Orchid Digest Speaker Day "WONDERFUL WORLD OF ORCHIDS"

Huntington Library and Botanical Gardens, San Marino, California - Saturday, June 8, 2013 – 12:30 pm to 8:00 pm in the **Ahmanson**

Lecturers: Thomas Miranda (Virginia), Ron Kaufmann (San Diego), Paul Tuskes(San Diego), Mario Ferrusi (Toronto)

Dinner Speaker: Alec Pridgeon (Florida)

VENDORS: Cal Orchids, Sunset Valley Orchids, Andy's Orchids, Canaima's Orchids, Marsh Hollow Orchids

Reserve online through June 5th. Tickets: \$60 (\$75 at door) for afternoon Seminars, Wine and Cheese Happy Hour;

Dinner and Evening Entertainment

After June 5, 2013 contact Simone Friend, 4349 Dogwood Ave., Seal Beach, CA 90740

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The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, May 23**, 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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