



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

August Meeting
Thursday, August 21, 2014
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,
Lecture Hall, 301 North Baldwin Avenue, Arcadia

JUDGING SGVOH WAY & SILENT AUCTION

This month we will look into our internal judging process. Come and see why certain plants receive Culture Awards and others don't. We will be looking at the plants members bring in this month. We will discuss how they are separated by genus. Learn the proper way of entering a judging form.

Our judging is very informal and awards are awarded as a matter of "personal taste". Members are the judges. You are urged to take part in this activity, both as a judge and exhibitor. You can not judge a genus which you have entered a plant. Visitors may not exhibit plants nor act as a judge. Any plant that was awarded can not be brought back for judging until it blooms again.

To have a plant judged you must have owned the plant for at least 6 months. If you just purchased a plant that you want to show, you can bring it and show it only.

Records are kept from December through October, members with the highest scores, per genera, will receive an award at the Awards Banquet. The judging point scale is as follows:

Cultural	7 Points
1 st Place	6 Points
2 nd Place	5 Points
3 rd Place	4 Points
Honorable Mention	3 Points

We will also discuss how the silent auction is run. Who can sell and buy plants, etc.

This should be a fun way of learning how both these activities work.

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JULY PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:	Brassavola cucullata	Ken Fujimoto
1 st	Nageliella purpurea	Mark Zierten
2 nd	Catasetum callosum	David Campen
3 rd	Brassavola nodosa	Jim Gomes
Hon.	Brassavola nodosa	Jim Gomes
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	Blc. Green Giant "Alpha Green Valley"	Una Yeh
1 st	L. Purpurata	Greg Orozco
2 nd	C. Leopoldii	Una Yeh
3 rd	L. Jose Pinho	Una Yeh
Hon.	Lc. (C. Intermedia x L. Purpurata)	Jim Gomes
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:	Epicattleya El Hatillo'Pinta"	Alyce Griffith
1 st	C. Circl of Life x C. Pure Love	Alyce Griffith
2 nd	Blc. Waianae Leopard	Una Yeh
3 rd	C. Unknown	Tuan Ngo
Hon.	C. Keowee	Jan Pluim
Cymbidium		
Cultural:		
Cymbidium-Novelty		
Cultural:	Cym. Cutesee (Peter Pan x ensifolium)	Ken Fujimoto
1 st		
2 nd	Cym. Little Beauty	Una Yeh
3 rd		
Hon.		
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:	Den. Farmerii	Ken Fujimoto
1 st	Den. Unknown	Jim Gomes
2 nd	Den. Unknown	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Den. Unicum	Una Yeh
Hon.	Den. Sanderae	Victoria Plewinski
Oncidiums		
Cultural:	Onc. Unknown	Alyce Griffith
1 st	Onc. Sherry Baby	Victoria Plewinski
2 nd	Onc. Unknown	Una Yeh
3 rd	Tolumnia	Una Yeh
Hon.	Onc. Wills Golden Afternoon	Jose Gonzalez
Paph & Phrags		
Cultural:		
1 st	Paph. Transdoll	Jim Gomes
2 nd		
Hon.	Paph. Mrs. Coburn	Una Yeh
Std. Phals		
1 st	Phal. Unknown	Linda Peterson
2 nd	Phal. Unknown	Linda Peterson
3 rd	Phal. Unknown	Linda Peterson
Mini Phals		
2 nd		
Vandaceous		
Cultural:		
1 st	V. Beeva x V. Bitz's Heart Throb	Una Yeh
2 nd	V. Unknown	Anna Plewinski
3 rd	Vascofineha Charm	Una Yeh
Hon.		
Other Genera		
Cultural:		
1 st	Enc. Alatum x Cashens Brown Sugar	Una Yeh
2 nd	Enc. Lorraine Smith	Jim Gomes
3 rd	Neofinetia Falcata Hisui	Una Yeh
Hon.	Unknown	Una Yeh

Charles Hardman

We are very sad to inform you that Charles passed away on July 7. He had a heart attach and was hospitalized, then released and sent home. After about a week his uncle stated, he just collapsed.

Charles was an active member on our board of directors. He also was in charge of the ribbon judging process at our monthly meetings. At this time there is no service scheduled.



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2015 Elections

A Nominating Committee is now being formed and they will be announced in August. Now is the time to think about who would be good leaders for 2015. Any Ideas?? Talk to Irene or a Board Member.

Membership Welcome

Message

We had 35 members and 4 guests in attendance at the July meeting.

ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN

Anyone interested in advertising in the SGVOH Bulletin should contact **Greg Orozco** at g.ozco3400@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 July and August

Cattleya

Cattleyas this month require careful attention to their watering and fertilizing needs owing to characteristically high temperatures. Evaporative cooling is a must in areas of the country where it is effective. Where it is not (the more humid regions), care needs to be paid to proper venting to keep temperatures within reason. Bottom vents in conjunction with top vents provide enough rising airflow to help keep plants cool. Increased air flow lessens humidity and dries plants out more quickly, necessitating more frequent damping down and watering, in areas where high humidity is not a problem. Higher light and heat indicate more fertilizer. The growths your plants are making now are the source of this autumn, winter and spring's blooms, so applying adequate fertilizer this month is the best way to ensure future blooms. Higher temperatures and humidity may also lead to fungal or bacterial rot problems, so it is important to closely observe your plants for any early indication of problems. Pests are also at a high point this month for the same reason.

Paphiopedilum

Cooling and air circulation are especially critical in these two months to prevent stress and avoid disease problems. Watering needs to be closely monitored to ensure that plants do not dry out. Warmer-growing hybrids will be at the peak of their blooming, with attention needing to be paid to staking of spikes. Look for water lodging in growths, which can rot emerging spikes and lead to the loss of the entire growth.

Phalaenopsis

Most, if not all, potting should be complete by now. This month and next are when these plants achieve their maximum growth. This growth will be that from which they set their spikes for the coming season. The more leaves the plants grow, the better potential for spiking will be realized. Growers in cooler areas such as the Pacific coast have the advantage this month, should they choose, of cooling for early season spikes. Lots of heat and light call for liberal applications of water and fertilizer.

Cymbidium

Summer can be the most rewarding season for cymbidiums. Growth should be coming strong now. The leaves of the new growths are best when they are broad and fairly stiff. The color should be a light green to nearly yellow. Early flowering varieties should be showing flower spikes, so move the plants into a cooler area with lower light. For mid-season varieties, lower the dosage of nitrogen to assist in spike initiation.

High-elevation Plants

For cooler-growing plants, such as masdevallias, other pleurothallids and the like, the next few months will be a challenge. During the hottest times, keep your plants more shaded and be sure to keep the humidity level much higher. Do not let plants dry out. Delay any potting until the weather cools.

Oncidium intergeneric

Many of the intergeneric crosses between odontoglossums and oncidiums, such as *Odontocidium*, *Wilsonara* and *Colmanara*, will be blooming now. Take special care to train the spikes for best floral display. Keep plants under fairly shady conditions. Watch for snails and slugs.

Vandaceous

Plants will be growing quickly now and really enjoying the hot humid days so similar to their native habitat. Watch for pests though, as many of these also enjoy the same conditions as the plants. Check flower spikes so that they can extend unimpeded for the best flower presentation later.

UPCOMING EVENTS

August 22 - 24
Newport Harbor Orchid Society

Exotic Plant and Orchid Festival
Westminster Mall
Westminster, CA
www.nhosinfo.org

September 20 – 21
South Bay Orchid Society
Show and Sale

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

September 27 – 28
Fascination of Orchids

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

October 17 – 19
The Southland Show
“Orchidtober Fest”

The Huntington Library, Art Collections,
and Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, CA 91108

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, August 28**, 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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Judging

Overview

