



# San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

## Bulletin

**April Meeting**  
Thursday, April 16, 2015  
7:30 pm Ribbon Judging  
8:00 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

### **General Meeting: Tim Culbertson** *“Sarcochilus: Gems of Spring”*

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 3000. While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in paph breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own, and growing up my own babies is a blast. I am the youngest accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and have served in various capacities with various orchid societies in California and on the East Coast. I love meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip. I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. In short, I really like plants.

For your meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation entitled "Sarcochilus: Gems of Spring". These plants are easy to grow and flower, are vigorous, and have low cultural demands; they are natives of Australia and will grow easily outdoors in Southern California. Tremendous advancements in breeding Sarcochilus have been made recently, and I will share some of these with you, as well as help identify some of the important parents in the backgrounds of new and modern colors found in this genus. By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of what goes into breeding trends for these types of plants, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth. I will be providing a plant table of the newest, modern, cutting-edge Sarcochilus species and hybrids, with both (hopefully) blooming and unbloomed plants.

### **Plant Opportunity Table**

The plant table for this month will be provided by **Tim Culbertson**. Don't forget to get your tickets!

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## MARCH PLANT JUDGING

Species	Plant Name	Owners Name
Cultural:		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Dracula felix	Dann Dunst
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Scaphosepalum decorum	Dann Dunst
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Bulb. burfordiense jade x self	Dann Dunst
Hon.		
Cattleyas		
Cultural:	C. Gaskelliana 'June Surprise' x L. Purpurata Flamea	Jim Gomes
1 <sup>st</sup>	Pot. Love Passion 'Dogashima'	Jim Gomes
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Blc. Morning Glory	Alyce Griffith
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Lc. Melody Fair 'Carol'	Greg Orozco
Hon.	Blc. King of Taiwan 'Dashing #1'	Una Yeh
Cattleyas Mini		
Cultural:		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Epc. Kyoguchi x L. Seagull's Tangerine	Greg Orozco
2 <sup>nd</sup>	C. Trick or Treat	Greg Orozco
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Pot Love Tapestry	Greg Orozco
Hon.	C. Unknown	Tuan Ngo
Cymbidium		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Cym. Champagne Robin 'New Horizon' 4n x Cym. Finger of Suspicion' #1 4n	Alyce Griffith
Cymbidium-Novelty		
Cultural:	Cym. Brook Street x Gordon Gibbs	Toby Luong
1 <sup>st</sup>	Unknown	Alice Griffith
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Cym. Devon Gala	Greg Orozco
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Cym. Dorothy Stockstill 'Forgotten Fruit'	Jim Gomes
Hon.	Cym. Geno's Gem	YS Farn
Dendrobiums		
Cultural:	Den. Kingianum 'Roy Gill'	Una Yeh
1 <sup>st</sup>	Den. Aggregatum	Jim Gomes
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Den. Green Lantern	YS Farn
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Den. Specio-Gracilicaule	Jim Gomes
Hon.	Den. Nobile	Tuan Ngo
Oncidiums		
Cultural:		
1 <sup>st</sup>		
Paph & Phrags		
Cultural:		
1 <sup>st</sup>		
2 <sup>nd</sup>		
3 <sup>rd</sup>		
Hon.		
Std. Phals		
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Phal. Unknown	YS Farn
Mini Phals		
2 <sup>nd</sup>		
Vandaceous		
Cultural:		
1 <sup>st</sup>	Asconopsis Irene Dobkins 'Elmhurst'	Jim Gomes
2 <sup>nd</sup>	V. Precious Lilac	Dann Dunst
3 <sup>rd</sup>	V. Unknown	Alyce Griffith
Hon.	Neost. Pinkie 'Starry Night'	YS Farn
Other Genera		
Cultural:	Masd. Maui Lollipop	Dann Dunst
1 <sup>st</sup>	Fdk. After Dark 'SVO Dark Pearl'	Jim Gomes
2 <sup>nd</sup>	Lycaste Unknown	Una Yeh
3 <sup>rd</sup>	Monn. Millenium Magic	Alyce Griffith
Hon.	Ludisia Discolor	Jim Gomes

## SGVOH AUCTION MAY 21<sup>ST</sup>

### Divisions Needed

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 21<sup>st</sup> 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!

## COMMITTEE CHAIRS (CONT.)

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## Membership Welcome Message

Please Welcome new members **Don & Midori Takahashi.**

We had 37 members and 6 guest in attendance at the March meeting.

## 2014 Membership Dues

Dues are still only \$20.00. You can mail your check for \$20.00 payable to San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists Inc., PO Box 660111, Arcadia, CA 91066 or bring it to the next meeting.

## ADVERTISING IN THE BULLETIN

Anyone interested in advertising in the SGVOH Bulletin should contact **Jim Gomes** (626)818-1859 or jim.gomes@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)818-1859 or jim.gomes@att.net, by the Friday following the fourth Thursday of the month.

## Cattleya Porcia and Portia

**Cattleya Portia**, parents are *Cattleya labiata* x *Cattleya bowringiana*, and **Cattleya Porcia**, is crossed with *Cattleya bowringiana* x *Cattleya Armstrongiae* (*Hardyana* x *loddigesii*). Both *C. Portia* and *C. Porcia* are intermediate in size between their parents. They are beautifully colored, vigorous growers with tall heads of flowers and they make an impressive display. They are considered by many *Cattleya* experts to be among the finest and most spectacular *Cattleya* hybrids ever bred. *Cattleya Portia* was registered by James Veitch & Son in 1897 and *C. Porcia* by H.G. Alexander in 1927. Both have received many awards from the RHS and AOS. *Cattleya Porcia* 'Cannizaro,' which received AMs from the RHS in 1936 and the AOS in 1951, actually received an FCC/AOS as late as 1988 in recognition of its excellence. *Cattleya bowringiana*'s many contributions to hybridizing cover a whole range of types including *Cattleytonia Rosy Jewel* (x *Broughtonia sanguinea*), *Brassocattleya Maikai* (x *Brassavola nodosa*), and *Cattleya Barbara Kirch* (x *Cattleya aurantiaca*).

This article was written by Chadwick & Sons Orchids Inc.

## Members Plants

Our members work very hard watering, fertilizing, and making sure their plants are bug free so we can view them at each meeting. Please do

not touch or rub the plant leaves or flowers. Be courteous, treat other peoples plants like you would like them to treat yours.

## Hatfield Orchids at Yamada's

George Hatfield owner of Hatfield Orchids will be selling blooming Cymbidiums once a month until June 2014 at Yamada Company, 706 W. Gardena Blvd., Gardena, CA. Sales will be on Saturday from 10:00AM to 1:00PM.

If you have cultural problems with your Cymbidiums bring them to the sale. We will evaluate and give you advice.

Suspect virus, bring a cutting of the leaf and he will test for virus (\$5.00 per test).

The sales dates are as follows: April 11, May 9, and June 6.

## 2015 Auction

If you need any flyers to pass out for advertising our Annual Auction, Please contact me. Jim Gomes 626-818-1859



## A Note from Lana

We started Spring with scant rain and a special program,



Orchids of the Philippines, by Jim Cootes from Australia. The plant table made for great additions to lucky member's collections! SGVOH contributing members make our meetings enjoyable, and a wonderful way to get to know new members. With the May 21st Auction preparations now, we'll need all members participating. Our SGVOH web site has all the details. Please ask how you can help make the Auction a success! It's time to be ready with the magnifying glass to ambush any orchid pests. We are grateful for every bud and bloom. See everyone at the April 16th meeting!

-Lana Tripathi  
President

## May 16 Casa de las Orquideas Super Seedling Sale

Our 14<sup>th</sup> Annual Super Seedling Sale. Over 50% off select 3" and 6" Cymbidiums. 9am to 4pm in person only.

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Solana Beach, CA 92075  
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## UPCOMING EVENTS

**April 4**  
**Mariposa Garden**  
**Spring Sale**  
6664 South Street  
Lakewood, CA 90713

**April 23 - 26**  
**Spring Garden Show**  
**"At Home in the Garden"**  
South Coast Plaza  
Bristol Street  
Costa Mesa, CA 92626  
[www.springgardenshow.com](http://www.springgardenshow.com)

**May 2**  
**Palomar Orchid Society**  
**"Annual Orchid Auction"**  
10:00 am to 3:00 pm  
The Pavillion at Lake San Marcos  
San Diego, CA

**May 21**  
**San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists**  
**Annual Orchid Auction**  
Time: 6 pm to 9 pm  
Los Angeles County Arboretum  
301 North Baldwin Avenue  
Arcadia, CA 91033  
[www.sgvo.org](http://www.sgvo.org)

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, April 23**, at the LA County Arboretum. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or [jim.gomes@att.net](mailto:jim.gomes@att.net)).



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