



San Fernando Valley Orchid Society Newsletter

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March 1st: Paphiopedilum Maudiae Hybrids Speaker: Tim Culbertson



Paph. Maudiae 'Bankhouse' AM-AOS 83 pts
Photo by Craig Plahan



Paph. Maudiae 'Gen X' AM-AOS 83 pts
Photo by Ross Leach

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 selected 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 on Maudiae-type Paphs. These plants are easy to grow and flower, are vigorous, and have low demands on light and fertilizer, and as such are wonderful plants! Tremendous advancements in breeding Maudiae-type Paphs have been made recently, and I will share some of these with you, as well as help identify some of the important species in the backgrounds of historically important and modern Maudiae-type Paphs. 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 Maudiae-Paph-style breeding, with both blooming and unbloomed plants.

Examples of some of the hybrids that Paph. Maudiae are either a parent or in the back ground.



© 2006 filed with AOS
Paph. Makuli 'Jeannette' HCC-AOS 79 pts.



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Paph. Faire-Maud 'Hillsview' HCC-AOS 79 pts.



Paph. Memoria Robert Ward 'Moria' HCC-AOS 77 pts



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Paph. Redhawk 'jeannette' AM-AOS 82 pts.

President's Message

The past two months we have explored the Catasetum orchids found in the new world of South America and some orchids from the old world in Madagascar. Our next stop will be the tropics of the South East Asian mainland and the island of Borneo enjoying the grace of the slipper orchids. These orchids are good for growing under lights or window sills. I hope you will come and learn about them.

With the show season in full swing, we have shows to enjoy during the next month and a half. Many other folks in the greater LA area will also be enjoying these shows. Some will buy orchids at these shows and wonder where they can get more information on how to take care of those orchids. What a great way to serve our community. To do that we need to get our society name out to the community so they know we are there. We are going to put in a display at the Santa Barbara International Orchid Society. It will be viewed by over 20 thousand viewers.

We as a board have tried to see if there is a way that you as members can feel that the society helps you. We have had a discussion with one of our local growers. We have an opportunity to put together a bulk order that will allow a significant discount. This would be a great way to get one or many very high quality orchids to expand your collection and bring more enjoyment. Please see below for more specifics.

Wishing you all good growing,

Arthur Pinkers

I came for the orchids and I stayed for the friendships.

Upcoming speakers

April 2017: Culture Session – Bring your questions and plants that you want to get questions answered

May 2017: Arthur Pinkers – *Laelia anceps* and its hybrids

AOS Award Granted at the Huntington Botanical Gardens

Photo by Arthur Pinkers



Paphiopedilum fairrieanum 'Vinh Huy Nguyen'

First Class Certificate - 90 pts.

Parents: Species

1 flowers and 0 buds on 1 inflorescence

Natural Spread: 4.5cm

Vertical Spread: 5.0 cm

Exhibited by Vihn huy Nguyen

AOS ARTICLE:



JOIN US FOR A WEBINAR THIS FEBRUARY AND MARCH



February 9, 8:30 PM (EST): The Dunes and the Mist:

Sanctuary and Ledges: Orchids of So. Brazil. Join Nile

Dusdieker as he chronicles a tour through Southern Brazil

looking for orchids, with Francisco Miranda and 8 of his

closest orchid friends. Registration link:

<https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/2263227416717337859>.



February 21, 8:30 PM (EST): Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton. Join Ron McHatton who will discuss a variety of topics on orchid culture based on question submitted by attendees. Please send questions to stillisch@cox.net by February 19th. Registration link: <https://attendee.gotowebinar.com/register/9087761951054886147>.



2017 Orchid Calendar of Events

March 1	SFVOS Monthly Meeting	7 pm – 9 pm	Sepulveda Garden Center
March 8	SFVPS Board Meeting	7 – 8 pm	Millie's Cafe: 16935 Vanowen St., Van Nyes, CA 91406
March 14	Monthly Judging, San Marino	10 am – 12 pm	Huntington Botanical Gardens Mishler Resource Building, 1151 Oxford Rd. San Marino, CA 91108
March 17 - 19	72 nd Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, "Orchid Mystique"	9 am – 5 pm	https://sborchidshow.com
March 17	Cymbidium Congress	8 am - 3 pm 5:30 pm – 9 pm	Adams Elementary School Auditorium, 2701 Las Positas Rd, Santa Barbara https://www.cymbidium.org/cymbidium-congress-registration-and-csa-membership
March 24 March 25 March 26	San Diego County Orchid Society Show "Orchid Fiesta"	3 pm – 7 pm 9 am – 6 pm 10 am – 4 pm	https://sfvos.com/about-our-society/
April 1 April 2	Five Cities Orchid Society Show	9 am – 5 pm 10 am – 5 pm	South County Regional Center, 800 W. Branch, Arroyo Grande, CA. 93420
April 5	SFVOS Monthly Meeting	7 pm – 9 pm	Sepulveda Garden Center

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April 10	AOS Out Reach Judging Conejo Orchid Society	7 pm – 9 pm	Westlake Village Town Hall 31200 East Oak Crest Drive, Westlake Village, CA 91361
April 12	SFVPS Board Meeting	7 pm – 8 pm	Millie's Cafe: 16935 Vanowen St., Van Nyes, CA 91406

San Fernando Valley Orchid Society Members Plants Exhibited at out February Meeting



Epicatanthe Volcano Trick 'Volcano Queen'



Dendrobium unicum



Mediocalcar decoratum



Slc. Golden Treat 'Red Red'

San Fernando Valley Orchid Society Orchid Plant Purchase Opportunity

We are putting together a bulk plant order by society members that will allow a very substantial discount in the plant prices for everyone who participates.

How to participate:

- Go to The sunset Valley Orchid Society web site:
<http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com/>
- Review the various plants for sale lists
- Write down the catalog number, cross, size and price for each plant you want to purchase on a piece of paper or copy the information in to an email. Example:
 - **SVO 5855 Slc. Beau's Apricot Gem 3" \$12.00**
- Send the information to Arthur Pinkers at arthur.pinkers@gmail.com or mail the list to the SFVOS Newsletter address: Arthur Pinkers c/o 22983 Mulberry Glen Dr, Santa Clarita, CA 91354.
- The discount will be somewhere between 35% – 45% of the list price.

Orders will be assembled – We need a minimum of combined orders of \$500.00 at the listed price – into a single order

Cut off is March 23rd – Mailed requests have to be post marked March 20th.

Plants will be picked up and delivered to the Society Meeting April 5th. Payment will be made at the time of plant delivery.

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22983 Mulberry Glen Drive
Santa Clarita, CA 91354

The Country Store

Donations are always accepted in our Country Store. If you have extra fruit, bag them in small quantities so we can sell each bag for a dollar. Bring in any unwanted plants or garden related items. Anything brought in is considered a donation to our program, the purpose of these sales is to raise funds for our society. The funds we raise helps to pay for our speakers, insurance, the rent and the plants for our POT. Please be sure the plants are in good condition and are identified.

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