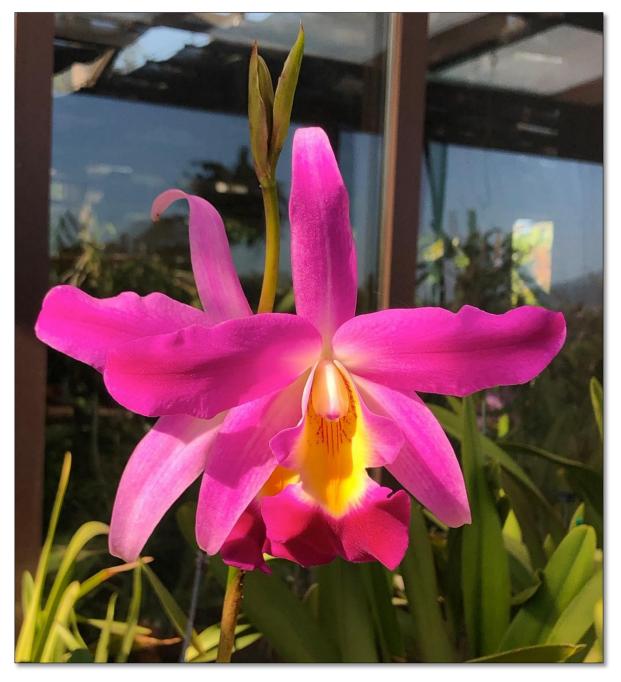


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Lc. Tropical Song 'Tango' x L. anceps 'White Marble'
Plant by Debby Halliday

President's Message Text by Debby Halliday, President

Here comes fall and Cattleya season. Thank you to all who attended our first inperson meeting in so many months. Even though we were all in masks, it was so nice to greet our friends and smell the orchids again. There were many beautiful plants on display for the plant forum and lots of goodies on the opportunity table.

This was our first hybrid meeting, and it went quite well. We actually had the culture



C. purpurata 'El Supremo' x C. warneri 'alba' Debby Halliday

class presented remotely by Ashley Grable and projected on the screen for those of us in the room. Peter T. Lin gave a great lecture on the small Vanda hybrids. He also presented the plant forum which I tried to beam out to our Zoom members via my cell phone. It also made the plants appear up on the screen in our room, which was an unexpected bonus. Jack DeTate was invaluable as our A/V coordinator. Big thanks to him and to Myra as well, who spent a number of hours working out this new meeting concept.

At the meeting we announced that Stewart Walton will be stepping down as our First VP and we asked for volunteers. The good news is that David Vandenbroek has offered to take it on. He will do a great job! Jack Schaefer, Director at Large, has offered to serve as Secretary. This means we have an opening for a new Director at Large. This is an excellent opportunity for someone who would like to become more involved as a board member but may not feel quite ready to be an officer. The Board meets on the first Thursday of the month at 7 PM by Zoom. No travel necessary! Join us!

The October Orchids in the Park Show & Sale is now almost upon us. I am excited that we can finally put on a show again after having to cancel six of them. So far, a number of our usual members have signed up to help, but we need the rest of you too. You can sign up at SDOrchids.com by selecting the Volunteers tab. Especially new members, this is a great opportunity to get to know people better and help expose the world to our passion for orchids.

Start watching and staking your plants! We want to display them at the show. There will be ribbon judging and AOS judging both, so plan to bring in your beauties. It's fun to win ribbons and watch people admiring your orchids. It takes a lot of plants to make a beautiful show, and every one of them matters.

Our next meeting is October 5th. We will again do a hybrid meeting. Remember to bring your blooming plants for the plant forum and your mask. I'll see you then!



Haraella Odorata Florian Blume

General Meeting, October 5th, in person at Balboa Park Room 101 and Simulcast on Zoom; 7:30 PM.

Tim Culbertson: Parvisepalum Paphs Text by Tim Culbertson

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 Philadephia 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 an 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 tend ing 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 this meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation on Parvisepalum paphs, one of my favorite groups of orchids. I'm so excited to present on these – they are just delightful! These plants are easy to grow and flower,



Paph. Fumi's Delight, armeniacum x micranthum Tim Culbertson

are vigorous, and have low demands on light and fertilizer, can be grown outdoors in Southern California quite easily, and as such are wonderful plants!

I will help identify some of the important species in the backgrounds of modern Parvi paph hybrids and discuss some hybrids you're likely to encounter when purchasing them. By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth and will be much better able to select plants that best fit your own growing conditions. I will be providing a plant table comprising all Parvis, with either blooming-size plants or plants in bloom.



Paph. Liberty Taiwan, hangianum x micranthum Tim Culbertson

Culture Class, October 5, in person at Balboa Park Room 101 and Simulcast on Zoom; 6:30 PM.

The Culture Class will resume its original time: 6:30 PM before the general meeting on the 1st Tuesday of the month. We will also attempt to broadcast this over Zoom.

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Vanda falcata 'Hokahe' Jack Li



Habenaria rhodocheila 'Cardinal's Roost' Debby Halliday



Aeranthes ramosa Wendy Garnica



Phrag. Sedenii (Phrag. longifolium x Phrag. schlimii) Betty Kelepecz



Orchids In The Park – Fall Show & Sale October 30/31, Casa Del Prado, Room 101

Text by Debby Halliday, President

Our Fall Show is coming! It is free to the public, and our sales area generates 20% for the club. It is an important fund raiser for the conservation fund and other club activities. It takes a lot of plants and a lot of people to make it happen.

Here is what we need:

Your beautiful blooming plants for the display. Bring them for registration on Friday afternoon and Saturday early morning. See website for details.

Trucking and Storage Run – All our supplies and wooden lattice are in a storage area in El Cajon. We load up a truck and bring everything to the park on Friday. It all goes back on Sunday after the show. More people makes it much easier.

Set-up and tear-down – We divide the room and put up lattice to make a beautiful display area and separate sales area, but it doesn't build itself. Please sign up!

Security – This is a super easy job. You sit at the door, greet our visitors, and make sure no one walks away with an unpurchased plant.

Cashiers – This is easy to learn with instruction from our Treasurer and a great manual on using the point of sale system. Meet our customers!

Plant Hotel – We provide a safe storage place for people who need to leave their plants for a few minutes or a few hours. It needs a monitor.

Remember, every day you work, you earn a Volunteer Reward Ticket for the volunteer plant raffle. It's also a lot of fun!

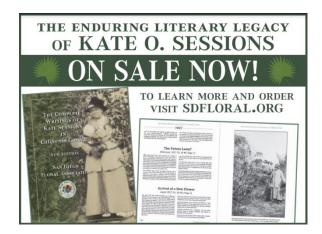
GO TO VOLUNTEERS ON THE WEBSITE, SDORCHIDS.COM, TO SIGN UP!

This will be a masked event to keep everyone safe and secure.

This is our first fall show & sale in two years. Let's make it great!









Dyakia hendersoniana 'Mike' x sib Debby Halliday



Paphiopedilum vejvarutianum David Brown



Phalaenopsis lindenii Jack Li

Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa del Prado, Balboa Park), September 2021

Text by Phyllis Prestia and photos by Betty Kelepecz

There were 11 orchids presented for judging. One was awarded.

[1] Cleisostoma nangongense 'Windflower' CBR/AOS

Exhibited by Betty Kelepecz

Awarded CBR (Certificate of Botanical Recognition) as a rarely cultivated, not previously recognized species from Southern Yunnan, China.





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SDCOS Conservation Grant Awardees 2021

Text by Ron Kaufmann, Conservation Committee Chair

The SDCOS Conservation Committee met on August 29 to evaluate applications from a number of people and organizations. After careful consideration, the Committee recommended the following three grants for funding. All of these recommendations were approved by the SDCOS board on September 2.

A vote of the membership is required for society expenditures in excess of \$750, and a motion to approve these three awards will be made at the monthly General Meeting on Tuesday, October 5. If you have any questions about these applications or the review or approval process, please contact Ron Kaufmann (rkaufmann@gmail.com) by Monday, October 4.

1. Small White Lady's-Slipper (Cypripedium candidum): Monitoring to Assess the Fine-scale Effects of Grazing at the Manitoba Tall Grass Prairie Preserve. Submitted by Bradley Kennedy, Nature Conservancy of Canada. The Nature Conservancy of Canada owns and manages a portion of the small white lady's-slipper (SWLS) habitat within the Manitoba Tall Grass Prairie Preserve in southern Manitoba. It is estimated that 20-90% of the Manitoba SWLS population occurs within the preserve. Preserve lands are managed using several different strategies: prescribed fire, prescribed grazing, having, and control of invasive and woody species.

- The primary objective of this project is to assess the fine-scale impacts of grazing on SWLS populations and their reproduction in the preserve. The results of this study will be used to inform future management practices for SWLS in this habitat. Total amount recommended = \$3,770
- 2. Conservation of Cattleya lobata Lindl at the Natural Monument of "Pão de Acúcar" and "Morro da Urca". Rio de Janeiro, RJ, Brazil. Submitted by Eduardo Nogueira, Federal University of the State of Rio de Janeiro, Rio de Janeiro, Brazil. Cattleya lobata Lindl. is a rupiculous or epiphytic orchid that grows on rocky outcrops. This species is endemic to the state of Rio de Janeiro and is considered to be critically endangered. In the long term, the conservation status of this species will be improved by supplementing natural populations with plants cultivated ex situ. In order to do this effectively, it is important to produce seedlings with genetic variability that reflects the broad range found in this species' natural habitat. The goals of this project are to obtain seed capsules from C. lobata growing in the Natural Monument of "Pão de Acúcar" and "Morro da Urca." isolate beneficial microorganisms from these habitats to improve the efficiency of growth in the cultivated plants, and conduct an educational campaign about endangered orchid species for visitors to "Pão de Açúcar," a popular tourist attraction. Total amount recommended = \$3,500
- 3. Protecting Globally Threatened Orchid Species through Conservation Education **Programs** in Panchase. Nepal. Submitted by Prakash Poudel, Greenhood Nepal. Nepal is an orchidrich country and is home to more than 500 orchid species. Unfortunately, overexploitation of orchids is increasing. Panchase is an orchid hotspot within Nepal, hosting more than 140 species, including 3 that are endemic to this area. including school Local residents, children, are recruited by dealers to collect orchids when they go into the forests to collect fuelwood and fodder for livestock. This project aims to stimulate interest in orchid conservation within communities near the Panchase Protected Forest. The specific objectives are to educate local communities about orchid conservation. encourage participation in protecting local orchids, and implement school level education programs that encourage school children to get involved in the conservation of orchids. Total amount recommended = \$3,500

Orchid Dates to Remember:

October 5th

SDCOS General Meeting

Culture Class: 6:30 PM; Program: 7:30 PM

First Tuesday of the month

Casa del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

Also broadcast via Zoom; meeting link to be emailed to members prior to meeting. For a nonmember to request a meeting invite. email president@sdorchids.com

October 6th

Palomar Orchid Society Meeting

Society business at 6:30 PM; main program

at 7:00 PM

First Wednesday of the month

Carlsbad City Library

1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011

October 7th

SDCOS Board Meeting

First Thursday of the month, 7 PM

Zoom; for an SDCOS member to request a

meeting invite, email

president@sdorchids.com

October 9th

SDCOS Species Group Meeting

Socialization 8:30 AM, meeting 9:00 AM

First Saturday of the month

secretary@sdorchids.com

October 30th – 31st

SDCOS Orchids in the Park, Fall Show

Saturday Noon – 5 PM Sunday 10 AM - 4 PM

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Phrag Les Dirouilles 'Miracles' HCC/AOS Debby Halliday

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From the Editor:

Hello everyone,

It was so great to see several of you at our 1st in person meeting last month! Looking forward to seeing you again in October!

For anyone considering volunteering in the October show on Halloween weekend, don't forget the new Volunteer Rewards Program we're launching! In case you missed it, you can read about it on Page 3 of last month's newsletter :) We also need tons of plants, so if you have anything cool in bloom, please consider bringing it in!

If anyone has articles that they wish to submit to the monthly newsletter, please continue to send contributions to me at SDCOSNewsletter@gmail.com. Deadline for submissions is end of day on the **second Friday of the month**.

All the best,

David Vandenbroek SDCOS Newsletter Editor San Diego County Orchid Society P.O. Box 161020

