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to educate by exchanging information and experiences
related to successful orchid culture, and to support
the conservation of orchids in the wild.*

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CULTURE MEETING - February 7th, 6:30 PM

Spring show preview and ribbon judging

Speaker - Debby Halliday

By Debby Halliday

Our big spring show will be here before you know it, so the culture class will be all about the Spring Show. We are talking about the show and how you might display your plants a little earlier this year to give you time to think and plan.

Pam Peters, our judging chair, will review the process of participating in the show

competition. She is going to cover the overall Ribbon Judging program as well as giving an overview of classes, entry requirements and entry procedures. She'll also talk about some of the special awards available only at the Spring Show and the criteria for judging.

Some of you may have participated on judging teams and seen first hand the

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GENERAL MEETING - February 7th, 7:30 PM

Paphiopedilums - The Huntington Way

Speaker - Brandon Tam

By Kay Klausing

The speaker at our February meeting will be **Brandon Tam**. The topic of his talk will be "Paphiopedilums - The Huntington Way".

Brandon Tam is the Orchid Collection Specialist at The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens in San Marino, California. Brandon currently oversees one of the largest orchid collections in the United States, which has grown from 2000 to 10,000 plants in just the past eight years. Brandon was first introduced into orchids at the age of seven when his grandmother gave him a

white flowering Cymbidium. After being bitten by the orchid bug, he decided to pursue an education in the field of botany by earning Bachelor of Science in Plant Science, from the California State University Polytechnic, Pomona.

His career in orchids began after he graduated high school at the age of 16 when Dr. James P. Folsom, Director of the Botanical Gardens, offered Brandon a full-time position as the Orchid Collection Specialist, with the goal to reinvigorate and perpetuate The Huntington's Orchid Collection.

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President's Message

Our [Winter "Orchids in the Park" Show and Sale](#) is January 28th & 29th. Set-up is on January 27th. Sign up to volunteer during this show at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/3DKQE>. 55 positions are open for sign-up. **Hurry to pick your preference of duty**; these include: Hosts to welcome and inform visitors, Security, Speakers, Kid's Corner activities, Cashier Assistants, Conservation, Plant Hotel, Set-up & Breakdown crew, and assistance at the garage. Your help is necessary for the show to run comfortably. **Thank you!** I look forward to seeing lots of beautiful blooms, including yours! Bruce Berg provides details on page 5.

Also mark your calendars for the Newport Harbor Orchid Expo & Sale, February 10th – 12th 2017. Our friends at NHOS will be happy to see you there. For details, visit <http://nhosinfo.org/orchidshow/>. SDCOS is participating with a display. Please contact Jack Schaefer if you want to help or loan your orchids in bloom. This is another opportunity for you to win more ribbons!

SDCOS is participating in the Master Gardener Spring Seminar Marketplace on Saturday, March 18. Join us to help promote our "Orchid Fiesta!" Spring Show as well as our "Orchids in the Park" shows. Share your joy and fascination for

orchids! We'll have orchids on display, membership information, lots of "Orchid Fiesta!" postcards and our bookmarks with future show dates to hand out. We'll also have Spring Show tickets for sale. Sign up at <https://www.volunteersignup.org/4W4TT>. Team up with a friend! We need teams of 2 each for the following shifts; 8 am-10:30 am or, 10:30 am-1:00 pm or, 12:30 pm-3:00 pm. This event is at the San Diego County Operations Center, 5520 Overland Ave., San Diego 92123; 8am - 3pm.

Our [71th Annual Spring Show](#), "Orchid Fiesta!", is approaching fast. Debby Halliday and Jack Schaefer provide us with an update on page 6. Our SpinGo promotion is set to kick off. Jack has done much work in this endeavor which you can view at <http://www.sdorchids.com/SpringShow2017SP.html>. From here tickets can be purchased on-line through Eventbrite. Volunteer sign-up sheets for *Spring Show 2017* are at <http://www.sdorchids.com/VolunteerLinks.html>. Select dates, March 23rd, March 24th, March 25th, and March 26th to pick your choice of positions.

You can help too by distributing our "Orchid Fiesta!" postcards to small businesses you frequent. Pick up a hand full at our next meeting.

On a personal note, I am excited to report that the [Lepanthes calodictyon](#) I purchased at the Huntington Botanical Gardens show in October is blooming now. I keep this plant in my terrarium due to its culture requirements. You'll see more buds developing on the lower leaf.

I wish you success in growing orchids!

Scott LaBouff



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excellent job Pam does in managing our ribbon judging program. Pam has been the head of our judging program for many years and her experience shows. You can bring her all your questions, and she will help you through registering your plant and making sure it is where it belongs.

Debby Halliday will talk about prepping your plants to present them at their very best. She will also have pictures and suggestions for doing displays. Our floor and table displays really set the Spring Show apart from the other shows we do all year. The public appreciates and looks forward to these beautiful floral set pieces. It is not hard to make a beautiful, interesting, or even funny display. We have a great theme to work with in Orchid Fiesta! You can team up with a friend or try it on your own. Come get some ideas.

The success of the show depends on the beautiful orchids our members bring to display and on the efforts of many volunteers. We hope you're tending and staking your plants and planning to join us in working at the show.

It wouldn't be spring in San Diego without the orchid show. This is our 71st year. We'll help you make it one to remember. Ole!

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He also cares for the *Amorphophallus titanum* collection, better known as the Corpse Flower. He manages and oversees over 50 titanums that grow alongside the orchid collection and which successfully bloomed during his tenure there in August 2014.

In total, The Huntington's orchid collection is housed in over 26,000 square feet of growing area, which includes the Rose Hills Foundation Conservatory and three collection greenhouses, dedicated specifically for tropical plants.

Under Brandon's direction, The Huntington has won over 100 awards from the American Orchid Society within the last two and a half years, which includes five First Class Certificates and three Certificates of Cultural Excellence. At the American Orchid Society Fall 2016 Members Meeting, The Huntington received The Merritt W. Huntington Award, which gives national recognition for the "Most Outstanding Orchid" in the year of 2015.

Join Brandon and fellow society members for dinner at the Prado Restaurant, before the general meeting (Our reservation is usually at 5:30). Please call 619-929-1452 to R.S.V.P.



SDCOS is now on twitter!

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Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park), January, 2017.

Text and photos as listed.

There were 7 orchids presented for judging. Two were awarded:

Paph. spicerianum 'Arnie' AM/AOS
Exhibited by Arnie Gum
Awarded AM/AOS 80 points
Photo by Phyllis Prestia

Dracula Raven 'Midnight Windflower'
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January Show in the Park
By Bruce Berg

LAST MINUTE UPDATES FOR THE PARK
SHOW THIS COMING WEEKEND:

We are in real need of more volunteers to help with the finance, plant hotel and security jobs. Please go to the website and sign up. We have many shifts where nobody has signed up to work.

<https://www.volunteersignup.org/3DKQE>

Please support your society and help us put on the show. If you can't sign up on the website, please come in and help out. It makes scheduling more efficient when you sign up online.

Setup begins Friday the 27th. We need volunteers to help with setting up partitions and tables beginning 1 PM. The show starts with judging going on Saturday from 10 AM until noon and the show area opening after judging, usually about noon when judges have their pot luck and closing at 5 PM. The show opens on Sunday at 10 AM and closes at 4 PM with plant removal and teardown beginning about 4:30 PM.

You can bring in your plants for registration from 4 until 7 PM on the 27th. You can also

bring them in on Saturday the 28th from 8 until 9 AM.

Donate your extra plants or divisions to support Conservation and to make room for new plants.

Stay and help with ribbon judging which will start with orientation at 9:45 and include a potluck afterwards. Bring in a dish to share and have fun visiting with your fellow members!

AOS judging will occur on Sunday the 29th. Fees have been increased. See the last newsletter for details.

Visit the vendor booths and score that special plant to add to your collection.

Please bring in plastic bags and boxes to help with packaging sold plants.

Kid's Corner:

Change of plans. We do not need Keikis for this show. We do, however, need donations of a few (10 or 12) plants to give to kids like we've done in past shows.

Carey has signed up the following speakers:

Saturday 28th

- 1pm Dave Hoffmaster
- 2pm Debby Halliday
- 3pm Ben Machado
- 4pm Karl Batchman – "Cymbidium Basics"

Sunday 29th

- 11am Betty Kelepecz
- 1pm Paul Tuskes
- 2pm Alex Nadzan – "Repotting Cymbidiums and Cattleyas"
- 3pm Kay Klausung – "Sterile handling techniques and repotting using rocks and bark"

Please stay and help us fold tablecloths and tear down the tables and partitions after the show ends at 4 on Sunday and the room is cleared of visitors after 4:30 PM.

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Spring Show 2017 'Orchid Fiesta!' Updates by Debby Halliday

Only two months until the Spring Show! It's coming up really soon now.

Your show committee is finalizing arrangements with all the vendors. We expect around 20 companies to be represented. Most of your favorites will be there including some of the new vendors from last year. Save up your pennies – this is the best shopping opportunity of the whole year!

SpinGo ads should start popping up online very soon. Please remember to NOT CLICK on the ads, as our fees are based on a set number of clicks and you already know about the show! You can visit the landing page directly at

sdorchids.com/SpringShow_2017_SP.html.

It's still a work in progress and will continue to evolve over the next few weeks. We have EventBrite set up to sell tickets. The hope is that we can expand the reach of our advertising and attract more people to the show. Please tell your friends.

Here's where you come in. We need your help to make this a great show. Start thinking about displays. We have reinstated ribbon judging for all small displays – this includes table top 4x4 and 2x2 displays as well as small floor displays, both floral and educational. The 6x6 floor space by the hall door is also available this year because the member who exhibited there has moved away. The display spaces in the new islands are all 9x9 this year, which makes them eligible for AOS and CSA (Cymbidium Society of America) awards in addition to other cash prizes and trophies. "Orchid Fiesta!" should be a fun theme to work with. Bring your creativity!

You can also participate in the SDCOS display. We want it to be outstanding and to

really show off what our club can do. Plants, props, help and ideas will all be welcome. Talk to Carey McCoy if you are interested.

Our culture class in February will focus on how to create a display as well as reviewing the rules and categories for individual plants. If you have an orchid in bloom in time for the show – please bring it in! More is better and every orchid improves the show. We will be having our People's Choice award again, and your plant could be the one!

Other ways you can help –

Send a check for your presale tickets to Patti Hoffmaster. Then sell them or pass them out to your friends. It's a great way to introduce people to our show and the tickets are a bargain at only \$7.

Plan to volunteer. This show is the big one and it's fun to be part of it. The lists of jobs to be filled will be at the meeting. There are many ways to help out. Please keep the show on your calendar and plan to be there.

See you at the Fiesta!

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**San Diego County Orchid Society
General Meeting Minutes
January 3, 2017**

Summary

During the "Announcements" section of the *SDCOS General Meeting* held Tuesday, 01/03/2017, Scott LaBouff, SDCOS President, requested Ron Kaufmann, *SDCOS Conservation Committee* Chair, approach the podium and provide the membership present with an update regarding the SDCOS Conservation Grant Awardees for 2016.

Ron reported the SDCOS Conservation Committee met on December 3, 2016 to evaluate applications from a number of people and organizations requesting funding of projects. Ron presented a brief explanation of the committee's selection process in reviewing the submitted projects and naming the selected winners. For this recent SDCOS Conservation selection committee the following eight SDCOS members participated in the process: Bruce Berg, Charley Fouquette, Debby Halliday, Ron Kaufmann, Betty Kelepecz, Kay Klausung, Pam Peters, and Peter Tobias.

After careful consideration, the committee recommended six selected grants for funding. Available to the entire membership, a detailed review of the six selected grants appeared in the January 2017 issue of the SDCOS Newsletter.

As stated in the *SDCOS By-Laws Article IV Board of Directors Section 7. Powers and Duties of the Board of Directors, Section (d)*, "The Board of Directors shall have authority to incur any obligation up to \$750 from the General Fund without approval of the members of the Society." Following this rule, it was necessary to bring the request for funding before the general membership for a vote. A request for a funding approval motion from the floor was made. David Brown made a motion to approve funding for the six

selected projects. The motion was seconded and a call for discussion or comments was made. There being no further discussion or comments, a verbal vote of the general membership present took place. With no abstentions or negative votes, the motion passed unanimously.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Ketelaar, Secretary

**San Diego County Orchid Society
January Board Meeting**

Due to a number of absences, the San Diego County Orchid Society Board of Directors did not hold a meeting for the month of January.

Respectfully submitted,
Tom Ketelaar, Secretary

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Edith and Leno Galvan (619) 441-7503

Encyclias, Epidendrums, Laelias

Christopher Croom (619) 583-3804

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Karl Batchman casa@orquideas.com

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Meetings

San Diego Orchid Society meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park.

Culture Class: 6:30 PM, Room 101

General Meeting: 7:30 PM, Room 101

Newsletter Entries

If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, photos, or announcements related to orchids, please contact

David Eveleth at develethos@gmail.com.

Information for the newsletter must be submitted by the 15th of the month.

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Please contact Carol Berg at winklerca@yahoo.com.

Orchid Dates to Remember

January 28th-29th

SDCOS Winter Show in the Park
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

Feb 1st

Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:00
First Wednesday of the month
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
331105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078

February 4th

SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday of the month
Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

February 7th, 6:30 PM

SDCOS Culture Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 7th, 7:30 PM

SDCOS General Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 9th, 7:00 PM

SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

February 10-12

Newport Harbor Orchid Expo and Sale
Westminster Mall, Orange County

February 15th

Cymbidium Society Meeting
Regular meeting, third Wednesday of month
Culture class at 6:30, Meeting at 7:00
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
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February 17th

San Diego Zoo's Orchid Odyssey
Third Friday of the month
10 AM-2 PM (orchid greenhouse is open)
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From the editor -

We have gotten lots of rain this month and that's good news. I have noticed on my trips into Penasquitos reserve that the wet weather has stimulated the growth - or fruiting - of many fungi. We all know that many orchids require fungi for the seeds to survive and grow into new plants, but for some orchids, fungi provide nutrients for the entire lifecycle and the presence of the right fungi in high amounts stimulates blooming! see

<http://www.smithsonianmag.com>

Bring your plants to the show at the end of the month and come yourself to see all the great flowers. It's a bright spot in January that portends the warming trend and the end of winter here.

May your plants always grow!

David
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San Diego County Orchid Society

Winter Show Supplement

Congratulations Show Winners!

Sec	JANUARY 2017	Orchid	Winner
	James & Lise Wright Best of Show	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Lavender Lace'	Pedro Sanchez
	Forrest Robinson Cultural Award	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i>	Tom Osborn
	People's Choice Award	<i>Paphiopedilum spicerianum</i>	Dave & Patti Hoffmaster
1	Cymbidium Standard Hybrid	no entries	
2	Cymbidium Hybrid Miniature	Cymbidium Hybrid green	Debby Halliday
3	Cymbidium Hybrid Pendulous	no entries	
4	Cattleya Alliance Standard	Lc. Spotted Treat 'Dream'	Bob Clark
5	Cattleya Alliance Compact	Bc. Maikai 'Lea'	Bob Clark
6	Cattleya Alliance Miniature	Lc. Love Knot var. coerulea	Ken Campbell
7	Paphiopedilum Hybrids	Paph. Spring Tree	Charley Fouquette
8	Phalaenopsis Alliance Hybrids	Phal. Pale Yellow hybrid	Pam Peters
9	Oncidium Alliance Hybrids	Tolumnia Golden Sunset x Tolumnia Elfin Gem	Debby Halliday
10	Other Genera Hybrids	Dendrobium Hilda Poxon	Tom Biggart
11	Specimen Plants	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Lavender Lace'	Pedro Sanchez
12	Species > 6"	<i>Paphiopedilum spicerianum</i>	Dave & Patti Hoffmaster
13	Species < 6"	<i>Dendrochilum stenophyllum</i>	Nick Taylor
14	Display	Beautiful Array of Cymbidiums	Casa de Las Orquideas
15	Most Unusual Plant	<i>Pleurothallis dilemma</i>	Betty Kelepecz

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Right, Bruce Berg presenting Pedro Sanchez his James & Lise Wright Best of Show trophy for the wonderful *Laelia anceps* 'Lavender Lace'. Pedro grows Laelias like nobody else ... the photo doesn't do the plant justice and it seems Pedro brings in a great Laelia to every meeting and show we have. Great job and thanks Pedro!



Left, Tom Osborne with his outstanding *Dendrochilum wenzelii*, winner of the Forrest Robinson Cultural Award. You have to look at this plant closely to appreciate how perfect it really is.



Left, the Hoffmaster's *Paphiopedilum spicerianum*, winner of the peoples choice award.

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Winter Show Wrap-up

By Bruce Berg

Our members enjoyed a Winter Show the last weekend of January when the rains finally ended and the sun finally came out to warm our plants up. The warm days also brought a lot of visitors to our show. Unfortunately, some of us had plants that were damaged by botrytis or were shy to bloom with the cold temperatures.

It was a show dominated by Catts, with Pedro Sanchez winning the James and Lise Wright Best of Show, with his amazing *Laelia anceps* 'Lavender Lace', while Tom Osborn won the Forrest Robinson Cultural Award Trophy with his perennially spectacular *Dendrochilum wenzelii*. Dave and Patti Hoffmaster wowed the visitors with their captivating *Paphiopedilum spicerianum* which was awarded the People's Choice Award.

Once again Nancy Walters managed to engage and intrigue our younger visitors with craft activities which introduced them to the fascinating world of orchids. We have had more than 200 children participate at our recent park shows! There were orchid jigsaw puzzles made by Nico Goossens and Nancy Walters. Nancy designed bookmarks and pages with unusual orchids for the kids to color. This show's theme was Valentine's cards. She was assisted by Christy Alben and Bud Close. One of the big attractions was a raffle every half hour for a free orchid. Orchids were provided by Bud Close, Bruce Berg, and several other members. Bruce also donated copies of Orchids magazines which were handed out to winners. When a young person received an orchid, Bud would provide them with a culture sheet and explain how to take care of their new orchid.

We will need reed stem Epidendrums or *Dendrobium kingianum* keikis for our Spring Show, because the theme will be teaching the kids how to pot orchids and we hope to

have enough kiekies to give each child a plant of their own to pot. If you have some that you can hold over until the March show, your contributions will be appreciated.

Thank you volunteers! I was concerned at the beginning of the show that we would not have enough people to man the show. It tends to produce symptoms of panic in the show chair to think we have everything ready to go and nobody there to help run the show. Please sign up on the volunteer sign-up sheets. We had enough volunteers during the show to make things work well. Thank you! We do need 2 more people to help with putting partitions away in the garage, however. Until we can move back into our old garage, we are in a commercial facility that closes at 7 and there is a penalty if we aren't out by then.

Thanks to the garage and room 101 setup team and Sunday teardown folks: Bob Clark, Medrick Bullock, Lou Wilson, Jack Schaefer, Tom Ketelaar, Betty Kelepecz, Kay Klausung, Vangie Nagrampa, and Carol Kerr; Sandwiches: Carey McCoy, and Carol Berg; Coffee and donuts: Carol Kerr. Security: Carol Kerr, Dave Hoffmaster, Olivia Salonen, Sara Cummings, Ivan Allen, Doloris Maxwell, Jerry Spencer, and Ernie Acantilado; Hosts: Carey McCoy, Tom Ketelaar, Debby Halliday, and Irma Adams; Conservation: Betty Kelepecz, Lena Shiroma, Sara Cummings, and Myra DeTate; Finance: Carol Berg, Jack Schaefer, Natalia Gordon, Myra de Tate, Darrell Adderson, Gary Louis, and Patti Hoffmaster; Plant Hotel: April Louis, Jerry Spencer, Paul Vallandigham, and Jack Schaefer. There were other volunteers, but I did not see your names on the signup sheets. Bob Clark manned our membership booth all weekend and signed up several new members.

A special thanks to Jack Schaefer for doing the computer layouts for the table and lath layouts. Also thanks to the AOS team

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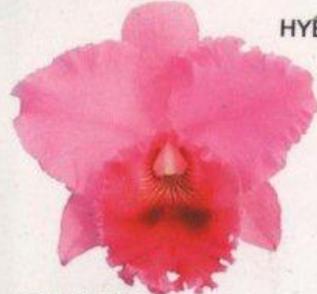
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All in all a very good Newport Harbor Show for our SDCOS team!

Our thanks to all of the Society Members who loaned us plants. For the second offsite event in a row we have had more plants than we could fit on the table. This allowed our team to pick and arrange for good effect and create an interesting display. Thank you to one and all.

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January 28th-29th
SDCOS Winter Show in the Park
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

Feb 1st
Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:00
First Wednesday of the month
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
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February 4th
SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday of the month
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February 7th, 6:30 PM
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SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

February 10-12
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Congratulations Show Winners!

Sec	JANUARY 2017	Orchid	Winner
	James & Lise Wright Best of Show	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Lavender Lace'	Pedro Sanchez
	Forrest Robinson Cultural Award	<i>Dendrochilum wenzelii</i>	Tom Osborn
	People's Choice Award	<i>Paphiopedilum spicerianum</i>	Dave & Patti Hoffmaster
1	Cymbidium Standard Hybrid	no entries	
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3	Cymbidium Hybrid Pendulous	no entries	
4	Cattleya Alliance Standard	Lc. Spotted Treat 'Dream'	Bob Clark
5	Cattleya Alliance Compact	Bc. Maikai 'Lea'	Bob Clark
6	Cattleya Alliance Miniature	Lc. Love Knot var. coerulea	Ken Campbell
7	Paphiopedilum Hybrids	Paph. Spring Tree	Charley Fouquette
8	Phalaenopsis Alliance Hybrids	Phal. Pale Yellow hybrid	Pam Peters
9	Oncidium Alliance Hybrids	Tolumnia Golden Sunset x Tolumnia Elfin Gem	Debby Halliday
10	Other Genera Hybrids	Dendrobium Hilda Poxon	Tom Biggart
11	Specimen Plants	<i>Laelia anceps</i> 'Lavender Lace'	Pedro Sanchez
12	Species > 6"	<i>Paphiopedilum spicerianum</i>	Dave & Patti Hoffmaster
13	Species < 6"	<i>Dendrochilum stenophyllum</i>	Nick Taylor
14	Display	Beautiful Array of Cymbidiums	Casa de Las Orquideas
15	Most Unusual Plant	<i>Pleurothallis dilemma</i>	Betty Kelepecz

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Right, Bruce Berg presenting Pedro Sanchez his James & Lise Wright Best of Show trophy for the wonderful *Laelia anceps* 'Lavender Lace'. Pedro grows Laelias like nobody else ... the photo doesn't do the plant justice and it seems Pedro brings in a great Laelia to every meeting and show we have. Great job and thanks Pedro!



Left, Tom Osborne with his outstanding *Dendrochilum wenzelii*, winner of the Forrest Robinson Cultural Award. You have to look at this plant closely to appreciate how perfect it really is.



Left, the Hoffmaster's *Paphiopedilum spicerianum*, winner of the peoples choice award.

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Winter Show Wrap-up

By Bruce Berg

Our members enjoyed a Winter Show the last weekend of January when the rains finally ended and the sun finally came out to warm our plants up. The warm days also brought a lot of visitors to our show. Unfortunately, some of us had plants that were damaged by botrytis or were shy to bloom with the cold temperatures.

It was a show dominated by Catts, with Pedro Sanchez winning the James and Lise Wright Best of Show, with his amazing *Laelia anceps* 'Lavender Lace', while Tom Osborn won the Forrest Robinson Cultural Award Trophy with his perennially spectacular *Dendrochilum wenzelii*. Dave and Patti Hoffmaster wowed the visitors with their captivating *Paphiopedilum spicerianum* which was awarded the People's Choice Award.

Once again Nancy Walters managed to engage and intrigue our younger visitors with craft activities which introduced them to the fascinating world of orchids. We have had more than 200 children participate at our recent park shows! There were orchid jigsaw puzzles made by Nico Goossens and Nancy Walters. Nancy designed bookmarks and pages with unusual orchids for the kids to color. This show's theme was Valentine's cards. She was assisted by Christy Alben and Bud Close. One of the big attractions was a raffle every half hour for a free orchid. Orchids were provided by Bud Close, Bruce Berg, and several other members. Bruce also donated copies of Orchids magazines which were handed out to winners. When a young person received an orchid, Bud would provide them with a culture sheet and explain how to take care of their new orchid.

We will need reed stem Epidendrums or *Dendrobium kingianum* keikis for our Spring Show, because the theme will be teaching the kids how to pot orchids and we hope to

have enough kiekies to give each child a plant of their own to pot. If you have some that you can hold over until the March show, your contributions will be appreciated.

Thank you volunteers! I was concerned at the beginning of the show that we would not have enough people to man the show. It tends to produce symptoms of panic in the show chair to think we have everything ready to go and nobody there to help run the show. Please sign up on the volunteer sign-up sheets. We had enough volunteers during the show to make things work well. Thank you! We do need 2 more people to help with putting partitions away in the garage, however. Until we can move back into our old garage, we are in a commercial facility that closes at 7 and there is a penalty if we aren't out by then.

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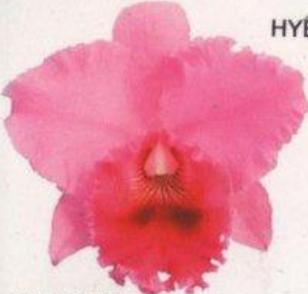
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Our crew returned on Sunday afternoon to remove all evidence of our participation and when everything was cleaned up we moved operations to the adjacent Outback restaurant for a bite to eat and an hour’s conversation before returning to San Diego.

All in all a very good Newport Harbor Show for our SDCOS team!

Our thanks to all of the Society Members who loaned us plants. For the second offsite event in a row we have had more plants than we could fit on the table. This allowed our team to pick and arrange for good effect and create an interesting display. Thank you to one and all.

Orchid Hotlines

The SDCOS offers this service to members who seek cultural information about their orchids. Here are some friendly hobbyists with a great deal of experience about certain types of orchids, and they have kindly volunteered to answer your questions.

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858-756-3578

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Indoor and outdoor
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Christopher Croom (619) 583-3804

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Cymbidiums

Karl Batchman casa@orquideas.com

Northeast County, all types

Dave Reid, Reid's Orchids (760) 310-2153

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San Diego Orchid Society meetings are held the first Tuesday of each month at the Casa Del Prado in Balboa Park.
Culture Class: 6:30 PM, Room 101
General Meeting: 7:30 PM, Room 101

Newsletter Entries

If you have monthly meetings, classifieds, submissions of interest, photos, or announcements related to orchids, please contact

David Eveleth at develethos@gmail.com.

Information for the newsletter must be submitted by the 15th of the month.

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Orchid Dates to Remember

January 28th-29th
SDCOS Winter Show in the Park
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

Feb 1st
Palomar Orchid Society Meeting
Culture class at 6:30; program at 7:00
First Wednesday of the month
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
331105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078

February 4th
SDCOS Species Group Meeting
First Saturday of the month
Paul or Ann Tuskes (858) 274-5829

February 7th, 6:30 PM
SDCOS Culture Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 7th, 7:30 PM
SDCOS General Meeting
First Tuesday of the month
Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 101

February 9th, 7:00 PM
SDCOS Board Meeting
Normally the Thursday following the General Meeting, Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park, Room 104

February 10-12
Newport Harbor Orchid Expo and Sale
Westminster Mall, Orange County

February 15th
Cymbidium Society Meeting
Regular meeting, third Wednesday of month
Culture class at 6:30, Meeting at 7:00
Lake San Marcos Pavilion
1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078
orchldy2@mac.com or (760) 732-0055

February 17th
San Diego Zoo's Orchid Odyssey
Third Friday of the month
10 AM-2 PM (orchid greenhouse is open)
Janette Gerrity (619) 231-1515 ext. 4306