



Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society

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Our November 12th Speaker will be Craig Morell

What's Bugging You?

Craig Morell, Horticulturist from Pinecrest Gardens will lead a discussion on pests, diseases, and orchid problems. Bring in your tired and sick plants, deny that you own them, and get the problems diagnosed, along with some instructions for repairing the problem. There will be a very short slide program on common orchid pests and maladies, and some discussion on pest control strategies, materials, and climate controls.



Craig has been renovating the Gardens since 2004, a year after the Village of Pinecrest bought the property from the Parrot Jungle. Turning Parrot Jungle into a municipal botanical garden requires a wide variety of disciplines, lots of community support, lots of patience, and lots of capital. Since the opening of Pinecrest Gardens, Morell has been responsible for its unique renovation, which showcases the historic garden so fondly remembered by so many.

A lifelong plant collector, Morell has a B.S. degree in Horticulture from the University of Florida in Gainesville. As a career horticulturist, he travels widely and spends his free time growing an incredible orchid collection at his home in South Miami. He also enjoys scuba diving, nature photography, and visiting even more gardens.

MARK YOUR CALENDARS!

- **November 10 — Plant Ramble**—the bus will leave from our regular meeting place at the Lutheran Church at 8:00 AM sharp and return by 5:00 PM. Stops are: On the Rocks Bromeliad Oasis, Henington Farms, Quest Orchids and one more stop to be announced. Bring lunch, snacks, drinks, cash, credit card, camera and a box or crate to keep your plants safe.
- **December 9 — FLOS Holiday Party** — see the invitation on pages 3 & 4—Get ready for a great evening!
- **January 14** — Monthly meeting speaker will be **Paul Storm**; he will speak on Schomburkias
- **January 18-20, 2013 — Annual FLOS Orchid Show** — "ORCHID AFFAIR" including our annual show **Preview Party** on January 17th., this is the party of the year!

Lots of exciting things coming up in the next few months — SO ENJOY!!!



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Dendrobium farmerii

Introducing Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Meetup Group

The Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society started in 1951, when a computer that now fits in your pocket took up an entire large room. There were no instant coffee makers, cell phones, Internet, Twitter, Facebook or Meetup.

FLOS has grown from its original 12 members to over 300 members and while maintaining the feel of a society of yesterday, we are reaching out to the new orchid enthusiast. Introducing the Meetup Group. Meetup as defined by Wikipedia (as opposed to Webster); **Meetup** is an online social networking portal that facilitates offline group meetings in various localities around the world. Meetup allows members to find and join groups unified by a common interest.

On September 18, we introduced the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Meetup Group, merging the elegance of our society with the technology of today's social media. If you would like to check out the Meetup site, go to www.meetup.com. To find the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Meetup Group go to the search box located on the upper left corner under "Explore Meetups". Directly under the "Explore Meetups" It should say "within 5 miles of Fort Lauderdale" if it says "within 5 miles of Miami" click on the 5 miles and increase it to 100 miles. Then in the search box type in "orchids" and you will see the FLOS Meetup Group then click on us. You will need to register with Meetup. It costs nothing and you will only be contacted by the meetups you join.

Other Meetups FLOS members might want to check out are; Flowers, Plants, Plant Collecting, Gardening, Landscaping, Home & Garden and Horticulture. To find the group, use the same search box. Our vision is to continue to grow our society by adding great, new orchid enthusiasts, using today's social media, to attract them to our great group of FLOS members.



From the FLOS Membership Table

Welcome and a tip of the hat to new member Patrick Carron, who joined FLOS at our October meeting. Patrick lives close by in Wilton Manors and is interested in learning more about orchids. He came to the right place! I hope he picked up a few plants at our auction. There was something for everyone: lots of easy favorites and more than a few rare goodies for our more experienced growers.

We have many fun events coming up, with a swamp walk, a ramble, a holiday party, and our wonderful show all happening in the next few months. Get involved, meet other members, and help keep your Society strong!

RENEWALS

FLOS veterans know we mail membership renewal envelopes with the November newsletter. However, many members now receive newsletters by email. How will you renew if you get your newsletter online?

You have two choices:

- 1) Pick up a renewal envelope from the membership table.
- 2) Renew online! You can use a credit card or your Pay-Pal account by visiting the MEMBERSHIP button on <http://www.flos.org> and clicking "Buy Now".





FORT LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY

HOLIDAY PARTY

Where: The Tower Club
28th Floor, Regions Bank Building
One Financial Plaza
100 SE 3rd. Ave
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

When: December 9, 2012
6:00—10:00 PM

How much: Members \$45 – Guests \$55

Musical entertainment provided by SAVATORE FAZIO!!!!!!

There will be a raffle and gifts!!!

cut here and send in for your reservation

Names of members attending: _____
Total for members _____ (\$45 EA)

Names of guests attending: _____
Total for Guests _____ (\$55 each)

TOTAL _____

People you would like to sit with _____

Please send names of people attending and checks (make checks out to Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society) by **November 28, 2012** to:

Ginny Salus
1155 Hillsboro Mile #107
Hillsboro Beach, FL 33062

Please make an entree choice for each member of your party:

- _____ Roast Top Sirloin of Beef
- _____ Chicken Scaloppini
- _____ Filet of Mahi Mahi with Tropical Salsa

From 6 to 7 there be an open bar; from 7 to 10 wine, beer and sodas will be provided and other drinks may be purchased at the bar (credit cards only, no cash).



PARKING AND DRIVING DIRECTIONS

From Interstate 95

Take the Broward Boulevard exit East, continue to Southeast Third Avenue. PASS Third Avenue and turn right into the first driveway to access parking.

From Federal Highway

At Broward Boulevard, go west to Southeast Third Avenue (the first street light) and turn left. Make another left on Southeast Second Street (the first street light.) Turn left into the second driveway to access parking.

Parking: Because it is a Sunday we can use the Regions Bank lot. The bank lot entrance is the immediate right after the intersection on SE 3rd Ave and Broward Blvd, in the Financial Plaza. The main entrance doors are to the right of the parking lot.

The Tower Club phone will be manned the night of the party if anyone needs help: [954-764-8550](tel:954-764-8550)

Meeting October 8, 2012 - FLOS Annual Auction

Thank you to all the participated in our annual auction. We had a great selection of hybrids and species that were generously donated by vendors and members. Mac Rivenbark did an outstanding job entertaining, educating, and selling all at the same time. The proceeds of the auction partially underwrite our December holiday party so be sure to sign up for that as well. The form is included in this newsletter. Thanks to everyone involved for making this another terrific FLOS event!

This is a *Bulbophyllum medusa* I won at last years auction. It has eight flower spikes this year.

Bulbophyllum medusa



FLOS 2013 Orchid Show

Yes, **THE SHOW** is less than 3 months away! Time to start getting down to business with all the preparations!

First, if you haven't received them yet, please pick up your **pre-sale tickets** at the November meeting. Any that are left after this meeting will be mailed to your home. Save FLOS the expense of the stamp! **FYI for our newest members**, we ask that each one sell, or give away, at least ten tickets. Many of our long-time members pay for the tickets ahead of time and worry about selling them later. If the money for all ten is turned in to Joan Connors on or before the January 14th meeting, you will be given a Preview Party ticket (worth \$55) for Thursday night's gala—hors d'oeuvres, a wonderful buffet, champagne and other beverages, dessert, live music, **NO CROWD** and **FIRST CHANCE** to purchase all those beautiful orchids! Think of each sold ticket as a discount for this special evening.

Second, sign up to **volunteer** for a shift or more during show week. Many hands are needed to make the show a success. This is a chance to get to know your fellow orchid enthusiasts better by working side-by-side with them. Volunteer to be clerk for judging and you will definitely learn something. Also, we have four Jewel case exhibits open to FLOS members to decorate and possibly win a show ribbon and price for participating. These four exhibits will also be judged by the AOS. (see photo of last years winner)

Come to set-up on Tuesday and participate in the fascinating process of transforming the War Memorial Auditorium from an empty shell into an orchid paradise! Work during the show and get to enjoy a free admission before or after your shift. Be part of one of the most respected orchid shows in the country! A sign-up table will be at the next meeting, or contact John Wrench, Michael Schaberl, or Chris Crepage to find out what you can do.



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Thank you kitchen volunteers Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso for providing and displaying our refreshment for the Auction. And thank you Ellen Kirby for bringing in the extra refreshments at our FLOS auction.

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Regular Meetings: Second Monday of each month
7:30 pm
Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall
1955 East Oakland Park Blvd.

Directions: East on Oakland Park Blvd. from I-95
Go East for 2.4 miles, left on NE 20th Ave. Park in the rear of the church which is on the NW corner of Oakland Park Blvd. and NE 20th Ave. Or to take
US -1 (Federal Hwy.) Go to Oakland Park Blvd. go west for two blocks turn north on NE 20th Ave. park in rear.

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