



Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society

The purpose of the Society is to stimulate interest, provide education and enable exchange of information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all its aspects.

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There is still time to reserve your seat at
the FLOS Holiday Party!

The invitation is on pages 2 & 3 or contact Ginny Salus:
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READY -- SET -- SHOW !!!

Our 58th Orchid Show and Sale is just around the corner. "An Orchid Masquerade" is January 15, 16, and 17, 2016 at the War Memorial Auditorium in Ft. Lauderdale. It is time to sign up to volunteer and help us keep this show the jewel of shows that it has always been. Our members love our show, the 6000 + people who attend love our show, the AOS Judges who attend love our show, and the orchid societies across the country wish they could be part of OUR show!

To be the grand event that it is, we need you to volunteer for one or more of the many positions available and have fun too. You can be part of the magic that transforms the War Memorial from Blank to Breathtaking!

We need Hosts and Hostesses to assist patrons. We need set up and breakdown volunteers to help mark out the floor displays and vendor sales marts and bring background foliage to all the display spaces. We need volunteers for the FLOS booth to answer questions about our society and tell patrons how much fun we have at meetings and rambles.

All volunteers receive free admission, at least one free orchid at our February meeting, have the opportunity to get to know your fellow members and get to know more about your own collection.

A sign up table will be at our January meeting or you can contact **Michael Schaberl** at 954-764-1239 or michaelschaberl@comcast.net.

Clear your schedule and be part of one of the most respected shows in the country !!



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C. laiata 'Sherwood Forest' - Bob Beckoff

Mark Your Calendar!

FLOS Events

- December 6--FLOS Holiday Party **INVITATION** on pages 3 & 4
- January 11, 2015--Fred Clarke speaking on Catasetum
- January 15, 16 & 17, 2016--FLOS Annual Show & Sale: An Orchid Masquerade
- February 8--Hyla Levine on Orchid Care for Beginners (For all the new orchids we bought at the show!)
- March 14: Mac Rivenbark from Mac Orchids on Dendrobiums
- April 11: Roger Hammer: sought out and photographed 89 of the 108 native orchids of Florida.
- May 9: John Salvanti on Orchid Nutrition and Demystifying Fertilizing

Community Events

December 5 & 6 - Bonnet House Annual Orchid and Exotic Plant Sale

Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society
presents

An Orchid Masquerade

ORCHID SHOW AND SALE
JANUARY 15, 16
AND 17, 2016
ADMISSION \$12.00

WAR MEMORIAL AUDITORIUM
800 NE 8TH STREET
FORT LAUDERDALE, FL

WWW.FLOS.ORG

October Program: Guillermo Salazar



November’s speaker, Guillermo Salazar talked to us about Tropical Epidendrums. An Epidendrum is an orchid species and part of the Cattleya alliance. Mr. Salazar has over 400 orchids in his personal collection.

The Epidendrum genus is very big and can grow from sea level to 3000 meters above sea level, so there is great diversity and versatility. The species grows on the American continent and can be found from North Carolina to Argentina. But Guillermo focused on the tropical Epidendrums, which can be grown in our heat and humidity.

Epidendrums can be epiphytes or terrestrial, can grow on rocks, and can adapt to climates from mountains to Miami - which is hot and humid. The growing conditions are the same as with Cattleya. They are fast growers and every year they put out new growth.

Epidendrums can have few to many inflorescences depending on the plant. They can be miniatures or very large, up to 6’ - so they are very diverse. Radicans are Epidendrums that are considered a “weed” in our growing environment. Epidendrums can be a little particular about root disturbance - they prefer growing undisturbed. Epidendrums prefer to be well drained and rather dry, so mounting or in wire baskets with no medium is best however they do very well when mounted. There is also a tendency to rot easily if the plants stay too wet or if there is not enough air movement. Once you have that mastered, these plants grow very well here.



Dendrochilum cobbianum-Chris Crepage

FYI Column by Tom Kuligowski

Looking For the King—I am currently working on a study regarding the *Angraecum sesquipedale* flower; and I could use your help! Are there any members that presently have an *Angraecum sesquipedale* plant that will bloom soon or in the coming weeks? I am in need of several photographs of the bloom from the day that the sepals part (flower starts to open) and then two more consecutive days of photographs. The actual photographic requirements are:

DAY 1: a single profile (side view) photograph of the entire bud (the nectary is not necessary).

DAY 2: a photograph of the full frontal flower and a profile photograph of the flower (the nectary is not necessary).

DAY 3: a full frontal photograph of the flower as well as a profile photograph of the flower; a third photograph full frontal of the flower including the nectary.

DAY 4 and DAY 5: if possible, a full frontal and a profile photograph of the flower.

Anyone contributing to the study will get full photo credit and will also be informed as to the purpose of the study as well as the results.

You can contact me (TomK) via my email address at tkangcm@live.com . Looking forward to your contributions to the study.



Oncidium Heaven Scent 'Sweet Baby' - Oliver Turnia

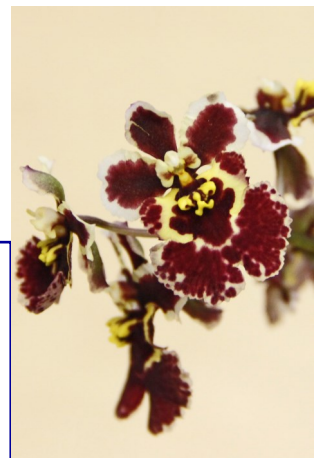
Tips & Tricks for Better Growing and Happier Orchids

By Keith Davis

Food: Your water and mix will dictate to some degree what kind to use. I use ¼ teaspoon/gallon at every watering to mimic nature. Orchids are very efficient at absorbing small amounts of nutrients. Choose a fertilizer with a higher amount of nitrate which is the only form of N that plants can use directly. Over fertilizing is detrimental and causes disease, weak growths and root kill.

Happy growing to each of you, Keith Davis

For more Tips & Tricks go to: keithdavisorchids.com



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Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society's **Where:** The Tower Club

28th Floor, Regions Bank Building
One Financial Plaza

(Directions on back of this page)

100 SE 3rd. Ave

Fort Lauderdale, FL 33301

When: December 6, 2015
6:00—10:00 PM

How much: Members \$40 – Guests \$65



Holiday Party



Musical entertainment provided by
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There will be a raffle and gifts!!!

Cut on dotted line

Names of members attending:

Total for members _____ (\$40 each)

Names of guests attending :

Total for Guests _____ (\$65 each)

TOTAL _____

People you would like to sit with:

(we will try to accommodate seating requests)

Please detach below the red dotted line and send with your check (make checks out to Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society) **by December 1 to:**

Ginny Salus

1155 Hillsboro Mile #107

Hillsboro Beach, FL 33062

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

_____ Braised Short Ribs

_____ Grilled Salmon

_____ Chicken breast

_____ Vegan Plate

From 6 to 7 there will 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**



FLOS Holiday Party 2014

FLOS MEMBERS' CORNER

Remember: Renewal are due in January. Visit <http://www.flos.org/wp/membership/> to renew online with a credit card or PayPal, or renew at the membership desk at our January 11 meeting.

Single membership renewal is \$20 and dual membership renewal is \$25.

Now is also a good time to give us any updates on email address, mailing address, or phone number.



Den. Green Flash - Sue Dohn



Blc. Redland Rainbow 'Crown Fox' - Norma Jeanne Flack

Ribbon Winners For November

Ascda. Kulwadee Fragrance	Omar Gonzalez	Blue
B. Little Stars	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Bc. Myrtle Sammy	John/Ann Bernard	Blue
Blc. Redland Rainbow 'Crown Fox'	Norma Jeanne Flack	Blue
C. laiata 'Sherwood Forest'	Bob Bekoff	Blue
Camarotis apiculata	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Den. Green Flash	Sue Dohn	Blue
Dendrochilum cobbianum	Chris Crepage	Blue
V. Crown Fox Red Gem	Bob Bekoff	Blue
V. Suksaran Spots	Bob Bekoff	Blue
Eplc. Volcano Trick 'Fireball'	Claire Garrett	Culture
V. Ratchaburi Charming	Roby Tannenbaum	Culture
Bc. Mai Kai	Omar Gonzalez	Red
Bulb. Elizabeth Ann Buckleberry	Chris Crepage	Red
C. Hestor	Omar Gonzalez	Red
C. White Reception	Tony Millet	Red
Den. Enobi Purple 'Flash'	Sue Dohn	Red
Dtps. Siam Treasure	Omar Gonzalez	Red
Pelatantheria insectifera	Rich Ackerman	Red



Eplc. Volcano Trick 'Fireball' - Claire Garrett



C. White Reception—Tony Millet

FLOS Fall Ramble –Another Success!



The FLOS fall ramble kicked off at 8 o'clock as planned and the first of four stops at great growers was made a little over an hour later. Refreshments were served along the way by Captain Al our ramble organizer. The weather was overcast and comfortable and only a light shower occurred mid-afternoon which didn't deter the buying of great orchids by all. We returned to Ft Lauderdale right on time and all rambler departed with their purchases and broad, satisfied smiles. A good time was had by all!"



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NETWORK

Thank you kitchen volunteers Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso.

Our refreshments were provided by: Kathy Homann, Fran Renguso, Ginny Salus, Vicki Trank, Joan Connors, Norma Jeanne Flack, Zoe Bejar & Craig Barry



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Regular Meetings: Second Monday of each month
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall
1955 East Oakland Park Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

Directions: From I 95 take East Oakland Park Blvd. for 2.4 miles, turn left on NE 20th Ave.
Or take US -1 (Federal Hwy.) to Oakland Park Blvd. west for two blocks, turn north 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.

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