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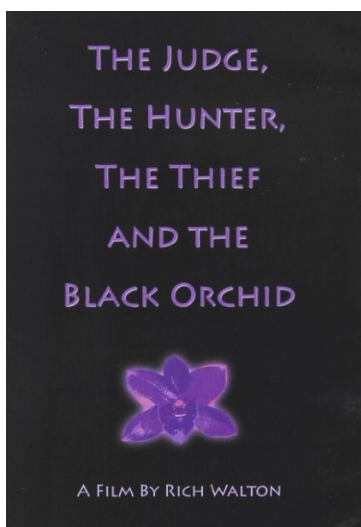
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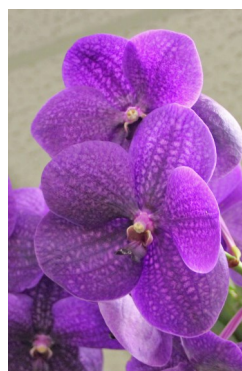
JUNE: MOVIE NIGHT!!!

The Judge, the Hunter, the Thief, and the Black Orchid (2010)



Gaze into the seductive stare of an orchid at your own risk. Many who do quickly fall under its captive spell. In the orchid world it's known simply as orchid fever. The orchid world is full of eccentric characters, petty rivalries, competitive judging, hunters, smugglers and thieves. It's also a world undergoing tremendous change. Orchids were once only accessible to the very rich. Now they're as common as a dozen roses. Large nurseries are producing cheaper, cloned orchids for the mass market. Orchid hybridizers are a dying breed in the face of this competition. One small orchid grower is standing up against this trend. For Fred Clarke, orchid hybridizing isn't just a business, it's an art. Conservation laws

make it illegal to remove orchids from their natural habitat. They can, however, be legally bulldozed during construction. This disparity has inadvertently fueled an active "black market" in wild collected orchids. Some rare or newly discovered species have been known to sell for five to ten thousand dollars a plant. An age-old rivalry and a judging controversy come to the forefront during the World Orchid Conference. Display orchids get casually tossed into trashcans after shows. An orchid thief smuggles one of the greatest orchid discoveries in 50 years, nearly taking down a respected botanical institution. Tales of greed, passion, and desire; welcome to the orchid world. Written by Rich Walton (<http://www.imdb.com/title/tt1608232/>)



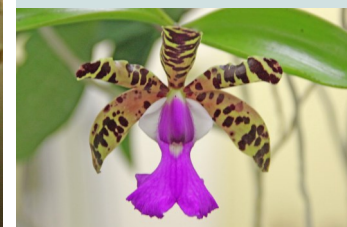
V. Dr. Anek x V. Sirilak—
Roby Tannenbaum



Onc. Speckled Spire—Craig Barry

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C. aclandiae 'RQ' Jackie Higgins



Den. Antennatum—Sue Duhn



Cat. Jackie Higgins

The society will provide popcorn and other movie treats for this showing!

MARK YOUR CALENDAR!!!

FLOS

June - movie, The Judge, the Hunter, the Thief, and the Black Orchid NO REFRESHMENTS—they will be supplied by the FLOS

July - Mark Margolis on Catasetum

August - Glen Decker on Paphiopedilums

September - Carol DeBiase will speak on Oncidiums

October - Auction

November - Guillermo Salizar

December - FLOS Holiday Party

PETAL ON by Marie Coy

I got my first view of orchids at a show about three years ago. Wandering into this dazzling flower zone I was hooked.

Researching these plants I read that orchids are quite the masterpieces and very glamorous and the best part, easy to grow. Just keep them watered and well fed.

Could I parent one or two of these prize beauties? Me, the killer of everything green! This challenge will take a lot of luck. Will I have to sing to them, play classical music or say a daily devotionals well?

What about insects; will they eat me out of house and yard? Should I take a class in botany? A little more information could be very useful.

Getting to know your orchids by name is probably the most intimidating hurdle. Latin names are universally used rather than common names, however Betty Boop and Popeye (my names for identity purpose only) have survived my first potting.

So I've caught the orchid bug and look forward to this journey.

Say a little prayer for me and my orchids and I'll keep you posted.



Coel. Burfordiense—Bob Stroozas

MAY'S Program: Carol Holdren

Carol Holdren, Vice-Chair of the West Palm Beach Judging Center, (and FLOS Member) spoke about the 10 orchids you should own. Carol started with a couple of general guidelines:



- There are several organizations that you may be of help in selecting the perfect orchids for you. They are Florida Orchid Growing on Facebook, www.Orchids.org, and WPB Judging Center (<http://wpbjudging.org/>), on Facebook or in person. They all offer something different to enhance your knowledge of orchids.
 - Make sure you get the name of the plant, without the name you have an orphan.
 - It's preferable to purchase a plant that is hybridized with a superior flower, rather than one that is jungle collected.
- Then Carol recommended ten plants for our collections:

- The first plant recommended is *Phalaenopsis amabilis*. (We know it is a species because *amabilis* starts with a small "a"). This is the largest white *Phalaenopsis*, and a great bloomer. They last a long time, are very showy, and are usually used in arrangements. Look for ones with 2 flower spikes and good shingling - when each flower presents itself.
- Next is *Phalaenopsis Baldan's Kaleidoscope*, a hybrid. It was made in Miami, has been copied many times.
- The next two to buy are *Cattleya aurantiaca* and *Cattleya skinneri*. Both are species, smaller more compact plants that have more intense colors.
- Another one to add is *Cattleya Guatemalensis*. It was originally thought to be a species but is a hybrid of *aurantiaca* and *skinneri*. Great bloomer has very nice flowers, and is very heat tolerant.
- *Schomburgkia splendida var. cauca* - is known for its long flower spikes, so it's best growing on trees or in rocks. It is a very hardy, sturdy plant.
- *Brassavola nodosa* hybrids such as *Lady of the Night*, is very fragrant. *Bc. Yellow Bird* is one of the better known *Brassavola*, it grows in many directions.
- *Oncostele (Odontocidium) Wildcat* is a complex hybrid and comes in many different colors, with flowers that last 2 to 3 months.
- *Dendrobium Roy Tokunaga* - is a primary hybrid because it has just 2 species, it also lasts for months in flower.
- The last plant for your collection is *Paphiopedilum St. Swithin*, it is one of the easiest growing and is a primary hybrid, and very showy flower, very sturdy plant. (Edna Rosen)



Den. wassellii 'Gold Country' - Vicki Hallock



Den. lindleyi syn. *Den. Aggregatum* Sandi Jones



Bepi. Femme Patate AM/AOS Collins/Peplin



Den. Gatron Sunray—Collins/Peplin

FLOS MEMBERS' CORNER

New Members: Richard Mach and Julius Bianchi,
Kathy Mitchell

Ribbon Winners For May

Bepi. Femme Patate AM/AOS	Collins/Peplin	Blue
Brs. Rex 'Wialamo Spotless'	Roby Tannenbaum	Blue
<i>Bulb. frostii</i>	Vicki Hallock	Blue
<i>C. aclandiae</i> 'RQ'	Jackie Higgins	Blue
<i>C. forbesii</i>	Zoe Bejar	Blue
<i>C. violacea</i> f. <i>flammea</i>	Tony Millet	Blue
Den. Gatton Sunray	Collin/Peplin	Blue
<i>Den. lindleyi</i> syn. <i>Den. aggregatum</i>	Sandi Jones	Blue
<i>Den. wassellii</i> 'Gold Country'	Vicki Hallock	Blue
<i>Max. tenuifloia</i>	Sue Dohn	Blue
Onc. Speckled Spire	Craig Barry	Blue
Phal. Memory	Sue Dohn	Blue
Schom Braceyana	Tim Morrison	Blue
V. Dr. Anek x V. Sirilak	Roby Tannenbaum	Blue
V. Eileen Beauty	Roby Tannenbaum	Blue
V. Mimi Palmer	Claire Garrett	Blue
Coel. Burfordiense	Bob Stroozas	Culture
<i>Brs. maculata</i>	Chris Binder	Red
<i>Max. tenuifloia</i>	Sandi Jones	Red
<i>Paph. niveum</i>	Chris Crepage	Red
<i>Phal. equestris</i> v. <i>cyanochilus</i>	Omar Gonzalez	Red

May Event at Museum of Discovery & Science

Our orchid society was invited by the Museum of Discovery and Science to participate in the Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration on May 9th & 10th. With the help of numerous volunteers several tables were set up for the display of many beautiful orchids for the benefit of people attending the celebration. The celebration was a great success with much traditional and bone rattling percussive music provided by musicians in traditional garb of their native homelands. Our display was visited by many curious and interested people and several membership applications were distributed. This past meeting we had one new member as a result. The celebration culminated on Mothers Day and two flats of small Phalaenopsis were given courtesy of FLOS to each visiting mother. Special thanks goes out to all participating volunteers giving of their time and effort including but not limited to Chris & Bill Crepage who provided numerous boards making our display very interesting and informative and Rich Ackerman who provided the orchid gifts for mothers. Without the help of volunteers this participation would not have been possible.



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Opportunities To Get Involved

To get the most out of your membership get involved. At our last meeting I talked with a member who has recently found a way to be involved and she said it makes her membership more valuable and meaningful for her. The Society needs as many members to be involved as we can get. More involvement leads to a better society.

- If you would like to work with our Facebook page team contact Rich Ackerman—richackerman@gmail.com
- If you would like to learn earn about how ribbons are awarded contact Joan Connors—marti25999@hotmail.com
- The Newsletter committee could use help with photography, proofreading and Microsoft Publisher—if you would like to help please contact Ginny Salus—ginny@salus.onmicrosoft.com
- If there is another way you would like to be involved stop a board member and tell them—they will direct you to the best person to work with to achieve your goals.



V. Mimi Palmer—Clair Garrett

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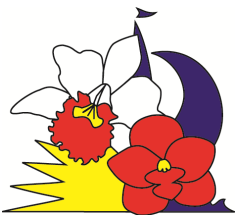
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Our refreshments were provided by:

Zoe Bejar, Omar Gonzalez, Joan Connors, Carrie Ackerman, Lisa Davis, Kathy Homann, Fran Renguso, & Norma Jeanne Flack



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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.
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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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