



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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APRIL SPEAKER: ROGER HAMMER

Our April 11th speaker will be Roger Hammer a professional naturalist, botanist, author, and photographer. Roger was the Keynote Speaker at the 19th World Orchid Conference in Miami and also gave the Keynote address at the Florida Native Plant Society state conferences in 1997 and 2013.

He began photographing Florida native orchids in 1972, the same year Carlyle Luer's book, *The Native Orchids of Florida*, was published. Over the years, Roger has photographed 94 of the 108 wild orchids in Florida and discovered two new species not previously known to occur in the state. Roger grew up in Cocoa Beach, Florida but has lived in Homestead since 1968. His hobbies include birdwatching, wildflower photography, kayak fishing, long-distance solo canoeing, and sipping extraordinarily expensive rums. Many native orchids are featured in his book, *Everglades Wildflowers*. (some content came from the Venice Orchid Society Newsletter)

He will have four books available: *Everglades Wildflowers*, *Exploring Everglades National Park and Surrounding Areas*, *Attracting Hummingbirds & Butterflies in Tropical Florida*, and *Florida Icons, 50 views of the Sunshine State*.



Phragmipedium Praying Mantis—Jill Smith

April Speaker

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Mark your Calendar

NEXT HOMESTEAD RAMBLE: April 16, 2016

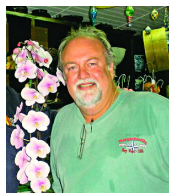
LEAVING FROM: Christ Lutheran Church (parking lot)
1955 East Oakland Park Blvd
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

TIME: Leaving at 8 AM & returning between 4 & 5 PM

TO RESERVE YOUR SEAT:

DETAILS:

- \$30 per person
- Bring lunch
- Bring box or crate for orchids
- Water & Juice on bus



DESTINATIONS:

- Quest Orchids
- Carib Orchids
- B & G Orchids
- One TBA

Contact Allen Cogar 954-553-1351 or tacogar@gmail.com



Dendrobium amethystoglossum
Norma Jean Flack



Blc. Young Kong 'Sun #16'
Tom Kuligowski

Mark Your Calendar

- April—Ramble (see notice above)
- April 11—Roger Hammer professional photographer will talk about how he has photographed 89 of the 108 native orchids in Florida.
- May 9 John Salvanti of Parkside Orchid Nursery will talk on Orchid Nutrition and Demystifying Fertilizing.
- July 11—Movie Night
- August 8—Bill Thoms on Bulbophyllum
- October 10—FLOS Annual Auction

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MARCH SPEAKER:

MAC RIVENBARK BY LOREN COLBURN

March Speaker

FLOS March speaker was Mac Rivenbark speaking on Exotic Dendrobiums.

Mac is a long time member of FLOS, a local grower and owner of Mac's Orchids since 2002. He has collected, cultivated and learned how to hybridize orchids, many from the Philippine Islands and throughout Asia and is known for his work with dendrobiums. He has travelled to the Philippines with his wife Helen and their family multiple times and loves to find some of his favorite species of orchids growing and thriving in their natural environment. Mac uses his knowledge of how the flowers grow in the Philippines to help his growing here in South Florida.

Chuck McCartney

His talk March 14 was a beautiful tour of the dendrobium species and locations of the plants in the Philippines. The slides included examples of many of the species: Den. aggregatum, smillieae, amethystoglossum, spectabile, secundum. The slides included images of the orchids in their natural settings and some of Mac's own plants growing in his backyard. With each plant he had a description of the growing needs and their ease of growth here in Florida.

Mac closed his talk with some growing tips. His fertilizer of choice is Southern Ag, he uses it year round including the growing season. His other hints included really water your plants instead of just misting, this replaces the air around the roots and keeps the plants happy. Mac also recommends keeping a calendar of when you apply food, fungicides,

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Tips & Tricks for Better Growing and Happier Orchids

By Keith Davis

Tips & Tricks

Virus and disease prevention: sterilize everything that touches your plants: hands, work surface, pots, hangers, clips, clippers, reused mix. Use a fresh newspaper to cover work area between each plant that is worked on. Use Ban Rot, cinnamon or similar on fresh rhizome cuts. Use a RED HOT clipper to make cuts. Cold razor blades just push spores into the tissue. Test plants for virus (Agdia Inc, 1-800-622-4342, www.agdia.com). If virus positive and plant is not valuable, toss it out. **Treat ALL plants as if they are virused.** Scissors that come apart are easy to sterilize, www.shopscissors.com, commercially they are used in the kitchen for cutting meat, etc.

Chuck McCartney Program

GROWERS TIPS

Now is a good time to be dividing and repotting your orchids. Don't throw away the back bulbs (pseudobulbs with no leaves) that you trim off your plant! Put them in a clay pot with a little media in the bottom and let them hang out for the summer in light that is less bright than normal for the plant. The odds are the orchid will throw new roots and you will have an orchid to trade with a friend or donate to our October auction. Remember to make a new tag and keep it in the pot so its new owner will have proper identification.



Phalaenopsis amabilis— Roby Tannenbaum



Brassocattleya Green Bird—Rich Bellas

Don't miss this one!



Chuck McCartney will present a program titled "100 Years of Broward Orchids" on **Wednesday, April 13**, at the monthly meeting the Broward Chapter of the Florida Native Plant Society. The program is in commemoration of the

100th anniversary of the creation of Broward County, and in it Chuck will explore the native orchids that once occurred in Broward, the ones that still occur here, new species recently discovered in the county, and the non-native orchids that have begun to naturalize here.

THE PROGRAM IS OPEN TO EVERYONE.

TIME: 7:30 p.m.

PLACE: Secret Woods Nature Center, 2701 West State Road 84, Dania Beach.

(That's one mile west of I-95 on the north side



C. Mark Jones 'SVO' HCC/AOS X Slc. Jungle Jim 'Yellow Jacket' - Rich Ackerman



Blc. Izumi Girl x C. Ruth Gee—Tony Millet



Rlc. Goldernell—Jeff Tucker

Welcome to our new members:

Mrs. Helen Wolfe & Diane Valovich

March Ribbons

Blc. Cruzan Tangelo	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Blc. Zul	Tin Ly	Blue
Brassocattleya Green Bird	Rich Bellas	Blue
C. Mark Jones 'SVO' HCC/AOS X Slc. Jungle Jim 'Yellow Jacket'	Rich Ackerman	Blue
Cattleya Rosa de Corrientes	Tony Millet	Blue
Dendrobium 'Little Atro'	Olivier Turina	Blue
Oncidium Alohi	Jeff Tucker	Blue
Paphiopedilum Prince of Booth	Bob Stroozas	Blue
<i>Phalaenopsis amabilis</i>	Roby Tannenbaum	Blue
Phragmipedium Praying Mantis	Jill Smith	Blue
Psychopsis Mendenhall	Tin Ly	Blue
<i>Rhynchostylis gigantea</i>	Roby Tannenbaum	Blue
Rlc. Izumi Girl x C. Ruth Gee	Tony Millet	Blue
Vanda Angelica Vale	Vivki Janda	Blue
Vanda Robert's Delight	Millie Pinal	Blue
<i>Ludisia discolor</i>	Carol Jones	Cultural
<i>Phalaenopsis rothschildianum</i>	Zoe Bejar	Cultural
Rlc. Goldernell	Jeff Tucker	Cultural
Vanda Robert's Delight	Michael Bryant	Cultural
<i>Dendrobium amethystoglossum</i>	Norma Jean Flack	Red
<i>Epidendrum stamfordianum</i>	Craig Barry	Red
Lc. Gold Digger 'Orglades Man- darin' CCM/AOS	Jeff Tucker	Red
<i>Maxillariella sanguinea</i>	Chuck McCartney	Red

(If the name of your orchid has been changed it's because Joan Connors has located the registered name of the cross (and you may want to make note of it.)

Renewal Time

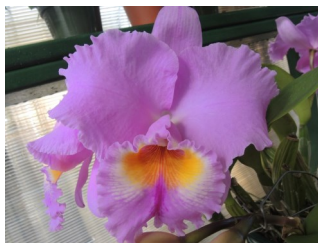
All memberships are due for renewal as of January 2016! You can renew your membership:

- ◆ ◆ At the March meeting (Membership Table)
- ◆ ◆ On the FLOS website—FLOS.org
- ◆ ◆ By check using the envelope in the February Newsletter

Members' Page

MEMBERS' AWARDS

FLOS Member, Tony Millet had two orchids awarded on the same day!



Cattleya Rosa de Corrientes AM/AOS
Tony Millet



Rhyncholaelacattleya Turandot HCC/AOS
Tony Millet

THE KEIKI CLUB

Co-chairs: Tony Millet and Jill Smith

The FLOS has created an exciting, innovative way for new members of the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society to become involved, to make new "orchid friends," to learn about orchid culture and how to have a glorious, blooming collection! There will be informal presentations to address orchid growing and see how other members grow their plants. If you have been a member of the FLOS less than two years, you are considered a Keiki!

- Meeting time /date: 2pm Sunday 24 April 2016.
- Location: Tony Millet's: 18 NE 26th drive Wilton Manors FL
- Topic: General backyard growing, seed to flowering.
- Refreshments: Water & lemonade will be provided. Any other refreshments will be very appreciated, thanks.
- Contact Tony or Jill to sign up by e-mailing or telephone (signing up is required—we need to know how many to prepare for!):

Tony Millet: axxmillet@gmail.com or 954 531-2079

Jill Smith: jsmith8146@comcast.net or 954 462-0477

Opportunities To Get Involved

1-If you have suggestions or ideas for future programs (topics, people, questions, etc.) contact Gigi Granger, Chair of the Program Committee: GigiGator@aol.com or (954) 675-3570. She is looking forward to hearing from you!

2- The members who get refreshments ready for us during our meetings work very hard and tirelessly. Doing kitchen duty is another way to get to know people in the group and become involved. Stop by the kitchen, say hello to Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso and see what you can do to help.

3-Gigi Granger has written the summary of our monthly presenter for a long time and done a wonderful job. Loren Colburn is now Chair of that committee. Loren and Gigi will divide that duty but they need two more people to share the job (so that each person will only have to write a summary 3 or 4 times a year. It is not hard, we have a recorder so you don't have to take notes during the meeting or remember everything. Contact Loren and give it a try for one month—you may find it fun! Loren.Colburn@gmail.com or (954) 298-2191

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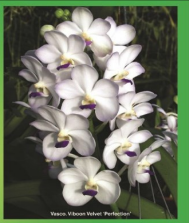
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Thank you to our kitchen volunteers: Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso.

Refreshment for February were provided by: Nora Dyke, Deb Johnson, Kathy Homann, Fran Renguso, Ginny Salus, Shelly Jones, Sue Zimmer, Barbara Montelius, Norma Jean Flack, Zoe Bejar,



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Regular Meetings: Second Monday of each month
Time: 7:30 pm
Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall
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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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