



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

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MAY SPEAKER: GEORGE HATFIELD



Our May speaker will be George Hatfield. He is the current AOS president and an active AOS Judge. He graduated from California State Polytechnic University, Pomona with a Bachelor's degree in Plant and Soil Science. In 2005, George opened Hatfield Orchids, which specializes in growing and hybridizing award winning Cymbidiums.

For over 25 years George has been participating in orchid events and supporting orchid organizations. He spent sixteen years as a board member for the Cymbidium Society of America and has been the judging chair for the society since 1998. He has been exhibiting his orchids at the Santa Barbara International Orchid Show since 1992. For the past

6 years, he has been Judging Chair of American Orchid Society, Pacific South Judging Center. He was an exhibitor and judge for the Tokyo Dome Show in 2008 and keynote speaker at the 2009 Australian National Orchid Conference. His topic will be Cymbidiums.

FLOS Bus Trip to Redland International Orchid Festival Saturday May 20, 2017

Meet: Christ Lutheran Church
1955 E. Oakland Park Blvd.
Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

Bus departs: 9:00 AM Sharp

Bus departs Fruit & Spice Park: 3:00 PM

Cost: \$30.00 Per Person (Free Admission to show for all bus riders)

What to bring: Lunch

Box or crate to hold purchases

Water & juices will be available on the bus.

You may want to bring snacks for the ride.

To reserve your place: Contact Capt. Allen—

954-553-1351 or tacogar@gmail.com



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Cattleya loddigesii 'Ft. Lauderdale' AM/AOS 86 pts.

Mark Your Calendar

- May 8 - George Hatfield, AOS President, on cymbidiums
- June 12— Raphael Romero, Plantio La Orquidea, on Schomburgkias
- July 11—Marlena Davidson
- August 10—Movie Night
- October 10—FLOS Annual Auction

May Speaker: Roger Hammer

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APRIL PROGRAM: ALLEN BLACK



Allen Black, a featured speaker at the Cattleya Symposium, hobbyist grower and breeder of unusual orchids gave a talk on 'Brassavola nodosa and Its Hybrids' at April's meeting. He says that his breeding goals are to entertain himself and have fun, to produce flowers that are interesting, unusual and/or beautiful. He uses *B. nodosa* because of the properties that it brings in the crosses: Star shaped flowers, spots or blushing, multiple blooms, maintains or increases the number of blooms, evening fragrant and keeps the plants compact.

Allen's photos were examples of his crosses to show what the cross with *nodosa* brings to the hybrid. One example BI Debby Sauer (*Brassavola nodosa* X *Laelia Rubin*) has 3 different flowers from Black's Bicolor, Joy Black, and David Sauer one with spots, one with deep purple, and one a pretty pink. He won an award on each variety. His names of the hybrids come from many places, and events. BC Mary Dodson (*Brassavola nodosa* X *Cattleya schilleriana*) has a beautiful flower and is easy to grow. He named it after his grandmother who influenced his love of flowers and growing things. There was an earthquake in when 'Virginia Earthquake' first flowered and 'Stop Lying' which bloomed during the election last year. Many times, he will not get the first bloom of his hybrids and when this happens he lets the person that does get the first bloom give the plant its name e.g. Blc. Mike Fine.

He ended the talk with his growing style: his plants are wintered in a 10 x 16 greenhouse and in the summer are hung outside. He waters with city water and feeds several different foods weakly weekly. For the most part he grows his orchids like many of us. He had a table of seedlings for sale and donated some plants for the auction table. One of the seedlings will be named by the member who gets it to bloom first. (by Loren Colburn)



Lycaste Chita Impulse 'Baby Doll' AM/AOS 83 pts.



Paphiopedilum Hans Strahl 'Crystelle' AM/AOS 80 pts.



Angraecum Crestwood 'Maria Luisa Matos' CCM/AOS 83 pts.

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Orchid Garden in School

Orchid Garden at School



Danielle Bejar (a FLOS Member) has been maintaining an Orchid garden at her school. Every week she maintains and displays blooming orchids from her mom's collection. Her enthusiasm for orchids is appreciated by teachers students and parents



"Many collectors died in process of searching for new species, and despite persistent reports that the men died from drowning, gunshot and knife wounds, snakebite, trampling by cattle, or blows in the head with blunt instruments, it is generally accepted that in each case the primary cause of death was orchid fever."

Eric Hansen, *Orchid Fever: A Horticultural Tale of Love, Lust, and Lunacy*

MEMBERS' PAGE

Welcome to our new members:

Clara J. and Earl Barker

APRIL RIBBONS

C. Amethyst Star*	Tony Millett	Blue
C. Silver Hill*	Les Corben	Blue
C. Snow Blind	Tony Millett	Blue
Den. Nestor	Carol Jones	Blue
Den. <i>pierardii</i>	Richard/Julius	Blue
E. <i>codigera</i>	Rosemary Stamon	Blue
Enanthleya Bob Gasko*	Olivier Turina	Blue
Epic. Jackie Bright	Zoe Bejar	Blue
Lc. Fire Dance x C. <i>lawrenceana</i>	Richard/Julius	Blue
Phalaenopsis Hybrid	Mercedes Rodriquez	Blue
Specklinia <i>corniculata</i>	Tony Millett	Blue
Tolumnia. Hybrid	Lori Cervener	Blue
V. Kriengchai Brownie?	Zoe Bejar	Blue
V. Robert's Delight	Zoe Bejar	Blue
Vf. White Crane	Bob Stroozas	Blue
Z. Advance Australia H.O.F.	Carolyn Perez	Blue
C. <i>skinnerii</i>	Rich Ackerman	Culture
Den. New Mount Gold	Bob Stroozas	Culture
Den. <i>nobile</i>	Chris Binder	Culture
Otaara Hidden Gold	Claire Garrett	Culture
Vnra. Walnut Valley Lime Stars	Paul Gumos	Culture
Ascda. Betty May Steel	Zoe Bejar	Red
C. <i>walkeriana</i> var. <i>coerulea</i> 'Monte Azul'	Tony Millett	Red
Den. Nestor	Eugenie Johnson	Red
Den. White Grace	Bob Isaacs	Red
Eulophia <i>graminca</i>	?	Red
V. Pure's Wax Pink	Zoe Bejar	Red

Keiki Club News

During the month of May the Keiki Club does not meet because of Mother's Day and the orchid festival at the Redlands. We will resume our monthly meetings in June with a potting class given by Scott Peplin--date to be determined and announced. We hope the Keikis will stay engaged, caring for their plants, applying their new knowledge and, of course, attending the fabulous Redlands orchid extravaganza!

Tony Millet (axxmillet@gmail.com)
Jill Smith (jsmith8146@comcast.net)

The slate for the 2017-2018 Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Board of Trustees as nominated by the Nominating Committee (comprised of Rich Ackerman, Michael Schaberl, and Tin Ly) is:

President - Gigi Granger

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2nd VP (membership) - Zoe Bejar

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2 yr trustee - Tin Ly

3 yr trustee - Rick Bellas

3 yr trustee - Paul Gumos

Opportunities To Get Involved

We are almost ready to participate in our Spring Events! The Museum of Discovery and Science has generously opened their door and invited us to display our orchids and generate interest in orchids. This year we will be a part of the Amazon Adventure and the Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebrations. Parking and lunch is provided for the volunteers by the museum. Our sign-up sheets have a few more slots to fill. Please contact **Gigi Granger at 954-675-3570** to get involved and get the "orchid" word out.

Museum Of Discovery and Science Signup sheet

Amazon Adventure		April 29 th and 30 th	
April 29 th	10:30- 1:00	Craig Barry	Open
	12:00 – 2:00	Tony Millet	Loren Colburn
	2:00- 4:00	Vicki Hallock	Les and Karen Corbin
April 30 th	11:00-1:00	Claire Garrett	Rosemarie Bown
	12:00 – 2:00	Paul Gumos	Open
	2:00- 4:30	Sue Greig	Chuck Greig

Museum Of Discovery and Science Sign up sheet

Asian Pacific American Heritage Celebration		May 13 & 14	
May 13 th	10:30- 1:00	Claire Garrett	Luanne Betz
	12:00 – 2:00	Richard Sedlack	Eric Petrusa
	2:00- 4:00	Open	Open
May 14 th	11:00-1:00	Claire Garrett	Open
	12:00 – 2:00	Open	Open
	2:00- 4:30	Open	Open

FLOS 2017 SPRING HOME RAMBLE

Thanks to Claire Garrett for organizing this great event!



A good time was had by all who attended the Home Orchid Ramble on March 25. It was a beautiful sunny day for a tour of five outstanding private orchid collections in the greater Fort Lauderdale area. Tin Ly, Richard Mach and Julius Bianchi, Rich Ackerman, Stephen White and Bob Stroozas graciously opened their amazing and unique collections to FLOS members for viewing and inspiration. The day ended with a late afternoon party at Bob's house and many Ramblers went home with free raffle plants donated by Rich Ackerman and the other hosts. Stay tuned for details on next spring's Home Orchid Ramble!



FLOS HOMESTEAD RAMBLE



On Saturday morning, April 8, 2017 a luxury coach loaded with curious orchid collectors made the trek south from Fort Lauderdale to the mother lode of all orchid destinations Homestead, Florida, in search of that one special plant that they could not live without. In all likelihood it was not predictable what particular plant it was going to be, but just the thought of striking it rich with that most unusual specimen was enough to drive the enthusiasm for the whole crowd. Treats were abundant and plentiful during the ride and before you knew it, we were sitting in front of Quest Orchids, one of our long time vendors at The Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Show. After panning through row after row of blooming orchids, and taking advantage of the pastelitas and refreshments, it was off to our second stop at Caribe Plants a true gold mine of flawless orchid offerings that quickly began to fill the hold of our coach. Soon after, we were once again loaded and back on the trail to prospect another destination called Soroa Orchids.

This was not to be the usual stop on the route to orchid bounty, but a boom town offering of orchids, lunch, more orchids, cake, and more lunch ! Jose Esposito and his staff at Soroa rolled out the red carpet for us and prepared and served a wonderful Cuban Style Luncheon for the entire bus. Outstanding food, superb hospitality, great plants, at a fair price and some good advice to go along with them. Everyone felt at home and comfortable and most likely forgot for a moment about those plants that they could not live without. An Over the top Thank You to Jose' and his staff for working so hard to make our day so enjoyable! Cheers !

With the inevitable departure in our sights, we all reluctantly broke camp and limped to the bus, loading the treasures mined at Soroa, and headed to our final destination of the day at r.f. Orchids, in search of that one big nugget of a plant, just in case it was not found earlier. Maybe one was not enough for some, so the second was to be a backup. Redundancy ruled, and backups for the backups seemed to be the norm until there was no more room in the hold of the coach. Period! But not to worry, for the lap is a perfect place to secure one's gem of the day, and most had one in the lap, or hanging over their head or both. Into the setting sun we rode for home content full happy and oblivious for the day as to the woes of life. Good friends, good growers, good day happy, happy! Sincerely, Capt. Allen



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Thank you to our kitchen volunteers: Kathy Homann, Deb Johnson & Fran Renguso.
Thank you to our members who brought refreshments!



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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

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