

The Palomar Orchid Society is a non-profit organization dedicated to promoting the understanding and cultivation of both hybrid and species orchids. We welcome members of all levels to join us for orchid fun and learning! Our mission is to promote interest in the appreciation of orchids and to provide an opportunity for their display and the exchange and dissemination of information relating to their culture.

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Peter Tobias presented on the efforts of the Orchid Conservation Alliance in Brazil.

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Calendar of Events

The spring show season is at it's end and it is time to get ready for the annual auction in May!

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March Meeting • Wednesday, March 4, 2015 • 6:30 pm



Peter Lin

12 Months of Orchids

Peter Lin's fast-paced PowerPoint presentation will show you how to build an orchid collection to have blooming plants for each month of the year.

Peter started growing orchids over 30 years ago, but stopped to focus on school and starting a career. It wasn't until 11 years ago that the orchid "bug" came

back, and he is now heavily involved again. He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-Cattleyas. He enjoys interacting with other orchid enthusiasts and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country.

Due to limited growing space, Peter specializes in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include Dendrobiums, and Neofenetias. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in three small greenhouses, as well as in an offsite greenhouse.



Neostylis Pinky 'Starry Night'



Aerangis luteo alba v. rhodosticta.

Peter has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on <u>Flickr</u>. Peter also maintains a personal web site including a small catalog of orchids available for purchase at <u>www.diamondorchids.com</u>

Peter will also provide plants for the opportunity table.

It's all about Orchids!

President's Message

As of this writing, the San Diego Orchid show is under preparation and our team has worked very hard to put together a fantastic display. Kudos to our volunteers Cher Whelan, Maryanne Kind, Sandi Sandquist, Vidya Sirsi, Phyllis Prestia, Charlie Padelford, Lena Shiroma and James Michelson for their time, energy and enthusiasm in setting up the display (pictured below). Hopefully, everyone's hard work will be rewarded by the show judges.

I want to remind everyone that our annual fund raising auction is rapidly approaching on May 2. Since we did not have a volunteer come forward as chairperson, I will assume the responsibility this year. We will finalize all sign up responsibilities at our April meeting. As you begin repotting and dividing your plants over the next few weeks, please set aside a division or two to contribute to the auction. We will need all the help and plants we can get to make it a successful and profitable event. As most of you know this is the only fund raising event of the year and it is essential for our society to be able to fund all of our speakers, opportunity tables and related activities throughout the year.

April's speaker will feature one of more popular speakers, Peter Lin, who will talk on "12 Months of Orchids". Peter is an excellent speaker and orchid grower. He will be supplying the plant table, which

always includes some unusual orchids.

Members are encouraged to provide input at any time via email (anadzan@mac.com), phone (760-529-5814) or in person. Feel free to contact me, as the board and I are here to serve you.

Happy Growing,



Alex Nadzan President, POS

2015 County Fair Orchid Show

This year orchid enthusiasts will be able to enter their orchids for ribbon judging during the five week duration of the fair. There is a one time \$30 dollar fee for registration during the fair. One can win cash awards for orchid that receive ribbons for their respective categories. The deadline for



The Palomar Orchid Society

Presents:



2015 Orchid

Auction

Saturday, May 2, 2015

Preview at 10:00 a.m. Auction starts at 11:00 a.m.

The Lodge (Pavilion) 1105 La Bonita Dr. Lake San Marcos, CA 92078

Free Admission & Parking For more info: www.palomarorchid.org

registration is May 1. Bruce Berg of the San Diego County Orchid Society is coordinating the effort with fair organizers. For those of you who are interested in the details, it is suggested that you read his article explaining the process in the SDCOS April newsletter.





Gems From The Last Meeting









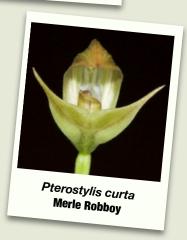




Merle Robboy







Photos by Helge Weissig - full album at www.palomarorchid.org

General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the **FIRST WEDNESDAY** of every month at the <u>Pavilion at Lake San Marcos</u> (1105 La Bonita Dr., San Marcos, CA 92078).

Traveling on State Route 78, take the Rancho Santa Fe exit and head South. The entrance to

the Lake San Marcos Resort is on your left about a 1/4 mile South of the San Marcos Blvd. intersection. Traveling on I5 South from Oceanside and North Carlsbad, take the Palomar Airport exit and turn right onto Rancho Santa Fe after about 7 miles. Traveling North on I5 from South Carlsbad and Encinitas, for example, take the La Costa Ave. exit and turn left onto Rancho Santa Fe. The entrance to the

resort will be the first right after the fire station in San Marcos.

Inside the resort at the first "T" intersection, turn left on San Marino Drive. At the next 4-way STOP, turn right on La Bonita Drive. Proceed ahead for one block on La Bonita. The pavilion will be on the left and there is parking in front of the pavilion.

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The Editor's Corner



Due to space constraints, my usual diatribe will be limited to a very quick reminder: Don't forget the auction on May 2!!

As always, your contributions to the newsletter or website are very welcome. Please email them to newsletter@palomarorchid.org.

Happy Growing!



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Upcoming Events

March 27 - 29, 2015

SDCOS 2015 Show And Sale www.sdorchids.com

Andy's Orchids Annual Spring Open House www.andysorchids.com

April 1, 2015

POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos www.palomarorchid.org

April 7, 2015

Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting www.sdorchids.com

April 15, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

April 17, 2015

Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

May 2, 2015

POS Annual Auction Pavilion at Lake San Marcos www.palomarorchid.org

May 5, 2015

Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting www.sdorchids.com

May 6, 2015

POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos www.palomarorchid.org

May 15, 2015

Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

May 20, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

June 2, 2015

Orchid Judging Center Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

SDCOS General Meeting www.sdorchids.com

June 3, 2015

POS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos www.palomarorchid.org

june 13, 2015

Orchid Digest Speakers' Day Huntington Gardens Botanical Center orchiddigest.org

June 17, 2015

SDCCS General Meeting Pavilion at Lake San Marcos

June 19, 2015

Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
www.sandiegozoo.org

Other Orchid Societies' Meetings

San Diego County Orchid Society

Meets First Tuesday of each month at 7:30 pm in Room 101 in the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park in San Diego Bob Clark (858) 270-8352 membership@sdorchids.com

San Diego Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of each month, September-June, 7pm, Pavilion at Lake San Marcos 1105 La Bonita Dr. San Marcos, CA 92078 Bill Wong (760) 931-0502 billtcwong@att.net

