



POS News

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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June 5, 2019

Lake San Marcos Conference Center Center



similarities and differences between Schomburgkia and its relatives, including morphology and DNA sequencing. What makes a genus? The rest of the talk will focus on the individual species and their culture... so bring your questions. This group of orchids is generally great outdoor growers in our area and some should be included in everyone's collection.

Paul is an excellent orchid grower and lecturer. He has been growing orchids for over 30 years and his photographs have been used in various books and journals. He grows a wide variety of orchids in his greenhouse and outdoors. Paul serves as an American Orchid Society judge and co-founded with his wife, Ann, the orchid species study group of the San Diego County Orchid Society. He was one of the first members of that society's

conservation group, which received a Conservation Achievement award from the American Orchid Society. Paul and Ann also have traveled in Central and South America to search for orchids in the wild.

This month's opportunity table will be provided by one of our local orchid nurseries.

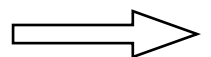


**Myrmecophila
(Schom.) albopurpurea**

POS Speaker Paul Tuskes

We are delighted to welcome back Dr. Paul Tuskes of the San Diego County Orchid Society as our June speaker. Paul will be giving us a talk on Schomburgkias. His presentation will deal with three orchid genera Schomburgkia, Myrmecophila, and Laelia, which are really only two genera. Paul will examine the

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Mcp. tibicinis

Myrmecophila (Schom.) tibicinis



Body text

Laelia (Schom.) lyonsii

President's Message

Hello POS Members and Friends,
Last month we did not have our normal POS meeting. Instead we held our annual Orchid Auction on May 11th. We are still tallying our expenses and sales and do not have a final accounting yet. We had a smaller turnout this year by about 25 people, so there were fewer bidders. We don't know why, but need to address reasons for the lower audience before our next event. Fortunately, we had several very serious orchid enthusiasts who purchased a large number of plants and many plants sold for favorable prices.

We want to thank all the vendors who donated plants and others who participated in a donation/purchase combination. Without our generous vendors we would not have as many plants for sale.

We also express our appreciation to those members who donated

plants. Since this is our sole fundraiser for the year, your generosity is much appreciated. Last but not least, a big THANK YOU to all the volunteer members who picked up plants, to those who helped on Friday set up and/or Saturday Auction Day. It was lots of work but we also had a good time, met some very nice people and raised funds to pay for our programs. Again, thanks to everyone, attendees, vendors and members.

In June we are pleased to have Paul Tuskes of SDCOS speak to us on Schomburgkias, the species and hybrids of which are easy outside growers in our area. It's been a few years since Paul spoke to us and we are pleased to welcome him back. His bio and more on the talk are described below.

For our newer members and older ones as well, be sure to attend our

meetings for the rest of the year. Besides the excellent speakers we have had so far this year, we have a great lineup of orchid growers and AOS judges who will speak to us from June to November.

We have still not planned an orchid caravan for our members. Some of the local growers have closed; others have semi-annual open houses (SVOs is on June 29), so there is less of a need to have a caravan to their greenhouses. Our board is exploring options for later this summer. If you have any great suggestions, please let Bill or Alex know. So far no one has volunteered to coordinate this event, so we need help.

President message cont:

For those of you who purchased new plants at the auction or orchid shows, it's a great time to repot once they have finished blooming. One of the advantages of repotting new plants is you will know that the orchid mix is fresh and you can use the mix you are accustomed to that works well under your growing conditions. This is especially important for plants that come from Hawaiian growers.

We want to remind all members to

renew your POS membership if you have not done so already. We also encourage visitors to join POS. The fees are nominal and are critical to helping pay our expenses for speakers, rental of meeting rooms and fees helps cover the cost of our plant opportunity table (which usually costs us more than we take in). So please don't delay paying your dues and make a goal to renew or join by the end of JUNE.

As always Bill and Alex are available to listen to your suggestions, questions and concerns. Please call Bill at 760-931-0502 or Alex at 760-529-5814. Bills e-mail is billtcwong@att.net. Alex's e-mail is anadzan@mac.com.

Hope to see in June.

2019 POS Officers

Co-President: Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong

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General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the FIRST WEDNESDAY of every month at the Conference Center at Lake San Marcos (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 and 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 conference center will be on the left and there is plenty of parking in front.



Open House

Fantastic discounts on all plant stock!

Authentic handmade 'street tacos' from 10AM till 2PM
Don't miss this day of plant raffles, fun and food

Saturday, June 29th from 9AM till 4PM
1255 Navel Place, Vista CA 92083 (760) 310-0778
www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com

Bring this invite for a raffle ticket

2018-19 CSA San Marino
Judging Center Schedule
Judging Cymbidiums,
Paphiopedilums,
Phragmipediums
Huntington Botanical
Gardens Mishler Resource
Building 1151 Oxford Road,
San Marino, CA 91108
12:30pm Registration 1:00pm
Judging Next sessions are:
Summer Break, Aug 10, Sept.
14, Oct 12, Nov. 9, Dec 14

Contact Phyllis Prestia,
San Marino Judging Chair

orchldy1@mac.com

Save the Date!
17th Orchid Digest Speakers Day
June 8, 2019
12:00 pm - 8:00 pm
Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA

Orchids Around the World

Scheduled Speakers
Marc Hachadourian
Bob Hamilton
Tom Miranda
Nile Dusdieker
Roy Tokunaga

Vendors
Andy's Orchids
Cal Orchids
H&R Orchids
Sunset Valley Orchids

Reservations: \$70 until June 1, 2019
Late Registration (After June 1): \$95

Event includes afternoon seminar, live auction, wine and cheese happy hour, dinner,
and distinguished lecture.

Reservations online at www.orchiddigest.org

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CALENDAR

June 1st

SDCOS Species Group Meeting
Breakfast 8:30 am, meeting 9:00
am First Saturday of the month
[Paul or Ann Tuskes, \(858\) 274-5829](#)

June 4, 2019

Orchid Judging Center
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

June 4, 2019

SDCOS General Meeting &
Culture class
Culture Class: 6:30 pm
General Meeting: 7:30 pm
[sdorchids.com](#)

June 5, 2019

POS General Meeting
Conference Center
Lake San Marcos
[palomarorchid.org](#)

June 8, 2019

Orchid Digest Speaker Day
12:00 pm – 8:00 pm Huntington
Library, San Marino, CA

June 14-16, 2019

Andy's Orchids Open House
10:00 am – 4:00 pm 734 Ocean
View Ave, Encinitas, CA
*Bring a copy of their ad for a free
plant on qualified purchases
[AndysOrchids.com](#)

June 19, 2019

SDCCS General Meeting
San Marcos Senior Center
[sdcymbidium.org](#)

June 21, 2019

Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
[sandiegozoo.org](#)

June 29, 2019

SVO Open House
9:00 am – 4:00 pm
1255 Navel Place, Vista, CA 92083
*Bring copy of ad to be entered in a
raffle

July 2, 2019

Orchid Judging Center
Casa del Prado, Balboa Park

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[sdorchids.com](#)

July 3, 2019

POS General Meeting
Conference Center
Lake San Marcos
[palomarorchid.org](#)

July 12-14, 2019

Annual Santa Barbara Orchid
Estate Summer Open House-
Cal Orchid is open too!

July 12-14, 2019

Cal-Orchid,, Summer Hummer 1251
Orchid Drive, Santa Barbara, CA
93111 (805) 967-1312

July 18, 2019

Orchid Odyssey
San Diego Zoo
[sandiegozoo.org](#)

July 27-28, 2019

SDCOS Summer Show
Orchids in the Park
Casa del Prado, Room 101,
Balboa Park, San Diego
[sdorchids.com](#)

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
[sdorchids.com](#)

Cymbidium Society

Regular meetings 3rd Wednesday of
each month, September-June, 7pm,
San Marcos Senior Center
111 Richmar Ave, San Marcos 92078
[www.sdcymbidium.org](#)



SUMMER SHOW
"Orchids in the Park"
July 27-28, 2019
Balboa Park's Casa del Prado, Room 101



OPEN HOUSE
JUNE 14-16
10AM-4PM
Andy's Orchids

SUMMER

734 Ocean View Ave,
Encinitas CA 92024
West of I-5
June 14-16 2019
Free Admission
Free Munchies
Much to See

Our nursery features over 7,000 species and 700,000+ plants
plus we'll have a select few bare roots for you as well.

Species Specialist, SERIOUSLY!

Note: Bring a copy of this ad and receive a free plant on qualified purchases,
Limit one per customer, Must be a society member.

Judging at the San Diego Judging Center (Casa Del Prado, Balboa Park), April, 2019.

Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia.

There were 4 orchids presented for judging. Three were awarded:

Aerangis fuscata 'Windflower' CHM/AOS

Exhibited by Betty Kelepecz

Awarded CHM/AOS 82 pts.

Sobralia dorbignyana 'Windflower' CHM/AOS

Exhibited by Betty Kelepecz



Aerangis fuscata



Sobralia dorbignyana 'Windflower'



Masd. Susy de Bermeo

Auction Photos by Debra Funakoshi

*Snacks & Refreshments This month, all members with last names beginning **C through N** will share at break time! We appreciate everyone's effort in supplying our meeting with goodies. It makes for a great meeting all around! Thank you!*



Joyce Christensen and Bobbie Barbes



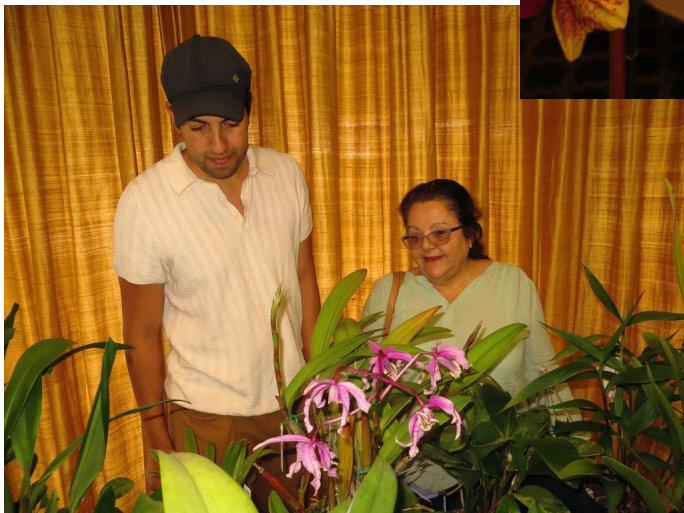
Merle Robboy & Alex Nadzan



Pat Rusnell & Linda Rusnell



Steve Redmond



Bill Wong & Linda Rusnell



Caesar and Lucyl Tizol