

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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A Monthly Publication

Attending the June Meeting via Zoom

For those unable to attend in person, we will provide a Zoom link

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Our members brought in many beautiful plants in bloom for the popular Show-and-Tell section of our meeting.

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Monthly Meeting • Wednesday, June 1, 2022 • 6:30 pm



Fred Clarke

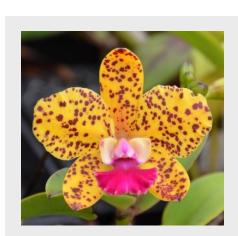
Spotted and Splashed Cattleyas

We are happy to welcome back Fred Clarke who will speak on 'Spotted and Splashed Cattleyas'. Spotted and splashed cattleyas come in many colors and shapes. Fred will teach us about the important breeding plants and what hybrids are available for the orchid enthusiast and highlight many of the interesting orchids he has developed in this class. In conclusion Fred will cover the 'best growing practices' for cultivation of these colorful and showy orchids.

As many of you know, Fred is a world renown hybridizer and grower of award winning cattleya species and hybrids as well as several other classes of orchids. He is also a long time, generous supporter of the Palomar Orchid Society and one of our most favorite speakers. Fred has been



Slc. Cosmic Angel x Slc. Katherine Clarkson 'Fire Spots'



Slc. Katherine Clarkson 'SVO' HCC/AOS

growing orchids for over 42 years and has been hybridizing for 38 of those years. With over 34 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry, Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery, Sunset Valley Orchids, located in Vista, California, just north of San Diego. His <u>nursery's website</u> has considerable information, plants for sale and many beautiful pics of his award-winning orchids.

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Greetings to all POS members and Friends,

We want to thank all our members and friends for supporting and participating in our monthly meetings. Since we resumed in person meetings last year, our meetings have been well-attended and everyone has enjoyed the speakers and conversing with other members. We have focused on having in-person speakers over Zoom speakers. We believe most of our audience prefer live speakers and many would not attend a meeting with a remote speaker. As a result, many of our speakers are local. It's expensive to host a speaker out of the area unless other local societies participate and we are in active discussions with our sister society, SDCOS, to identify joint speakers outside of our local area. We are in conversations with some well-known growers in Central and Northern California and may have them later this year. We will continue to seek speaker outside of the SD area as more speakers are comfortable traveling during Covid.

Carlos Lopez of Sunset Valley Orchids gave a very nice presentation on Habenarias and their Hybrids, an orchid we don't see as often at the orchids shows or at our local growers (except for Andy's Orchids).



For June, we welcome back Fred Clark also of Sunset Valley Orchids. Fred is one of our favorite speakers, a well-known local grower and big supporter of POS and our local orchid societies. Fred will talk about 'Spotted and Splashed Cattleyas'. His talk is not to be missed and we will be zooming his talk for those who can't be there in person. Also note that SVO will be having their Summer Open House on June 4th



(see flyer below) so everyone will have an opportunity to purchase some of Fred's wonderful plants at a discount and enjoy street tacos in the process.

This past month, the San Diego Botanic Garden sponsored the World of Orchids Show for the second time in its new Conservatory. Last year they had an outstanding display of orchids plants provided by many of the members of POS and SDCOS. This year the show is also excellent with plants being exchanged out on a weekly basis to maintain a fresh display and exhibit a wide variety of orchid in bloom. The show continues through June 12 if you haven't had a chance to see it in May. Tickets can be obtained through the SDBG website at www.sdbgardens.org and admission to AOS members is free.

This month, we continue our request for volunteers to help in varying capacities. For the past two years, few if any new members have been willing to serve on the Board. This means the current Board must carry the responsibility of running the Society and as a result we have fewer resources to plan events such as society displays, orchid caravans, plant sales and auctions, planning speaker programs, etc. We are disappointed but hopeful that more of our new members will step up in the future.

We are approaching mid-year and some of you have not yet renewed your membership. Please see Trudy at the next meeting to renew your POS membership. These fees are minimal but are important and help cover the speaker fees, opportunity table, meeting room expense and other operating expenses. You may also mail renewals to POS, P.O. Box 130774, Carlsbad CA 92013 or renew online.

For tips on orchid care for the summer months, please refer to the AOS website or the POS website. Those sites have a wealth of information for beginners and more advanced growers. One bit of advice given by a local orchid grower that is appropriate to all of us, is to cull your collection periodically to get rid of plants in poor health. Too often we hang on to our plants, either because we have spent money on them, or hope that a miracle occurs and a sick plant suddenly perks up. It's easier to bite the bullet, toss marginal plants and make room on your bench for a new healthy plant. You will spend less time watering and fertilizing these plants and will enjoy your collection.

We hope our members and friends remain healthy, upbeat and optimistic about the future. 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 or e-mail them at president@palomarorchid.org.

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong Co-Presidents, POS



Fred Clarke cont.

Fred is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing Cattleya hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new Paphiopedilum and Aussie Dendrobium hybrids plus some other generas including Sarcochilus, Zygopetalum Alliance, Lycaste, and Stanhopea and their relatives.



C. Leoloddiglossa 'Speckled Blue' FCC/AOS

Fred's pioneering work in Catasetum intergeneric hybrids led to the development of several notable hybrids, including the grex, Fredclarkeara After Dark (Mo. Painted Desert x Ctsm. Donna Wise), which produced "the blackest flower ever witnessed". This grex has received over 100 awards worldwide with nine FCC's and thirty AM's from the AOS judges! He is currently working on the next generations of Catasetinae hybrids which should be even more spectacular!

In addition, Fred is an Accredited Judge in the Pacific South Judging Region as well as a passionate fisherman. Fred will be providing the plant table this month.

World of Orchids Show at the San Diego Botanic Garden

The World of Orchids Show continues during the month of May through June 12 at the San Diego Botanic Garden.

The show has been a big success with both POS and SDCOS members providing new orchids on a weekly basis



to exchange spent plants and maintain freshness of the display. The exhibit features a variety of orchid species and hybrids in SDBG's beautiful new conservatory. An added bonus is the ability to spend part of your day on a leisure walk through the newer and established areas of the beautiful garden.

Snacks & Refreshments

This month, all members with last
share at break time!

We appreciate everyone's effort in
makes for a great meeting with goodies. It

Thank you!

If you haven't had a chance to view the show, attendees may sign up to purchase tickets on the SDBG website at www.sdbgarden.org. American Orchid Society members are free but still need to sign up to attend. The show is excellent as evidenced by some of the pics from the show shown here and on the previous page.



General Meeting Information

The Palomar Orchid Society regularly meets the FIRST WEDNESDAY of every month at the George and Patricia Gowland Meeting Room located in the Carlsbad City Library on Dove Lane, just off El Camino Real in southern Carlsbad. The address is 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011.

Traveling South on I-5, take the Poinsettia Ln. exit and travel east to El Camino Real. Turn right on El Camino Real and turn right again on Dove Lane.

If traveling North on I-5, take the La Costa Ave. exit and travel east to El Camino Real. Turn left on Dove Lane (first traffic light after Aviara Pkwy.) Traveling West on S-78, take the San Marcos Blvd. exit and travel west, continuing on Palomar Airport Rd.. Turn left on El Camino Real and then turn right on Dove Lane.

The Dove library will be on your left and there is a large, well-lit parking lot. The Gowland Meeting Room is located on the right hand side of the main entrance.

May Judging Report

There were 14 orchids presented for judging and three awards were given.



Encyclia cordigera 'Bravo Orchids' Exhibited by William (Bill) Tse Awarded FCC/AOS, 90 points



Schoenorchis scolopendria 'Pink Peepers' Exhibited by Bill Loy Awarded CCE/AOS, 91 points



Encyclis Louis Felipe 'Rainbow Valley' Exhibited by Anita and Jerry Spencer Awarded HCC/AOS, 77 points

Text and photos by Phyllis Prestia

Judging Sessions

The Pacific South Judging Center conducts each month three judging sessions in the Los Angeles and San Diego area. Locally, the sessions are held in Balboa Park, Casa del Prado in room 104 on the 1st Tuesday of the month at 6 pm.

Starting with the June session, the COVID-19 protocols will be relaxed: vaccinations are not mandated and masks are optional. For questions, please contact Phyllis Prestia at orchldy1@mac.com



Open House

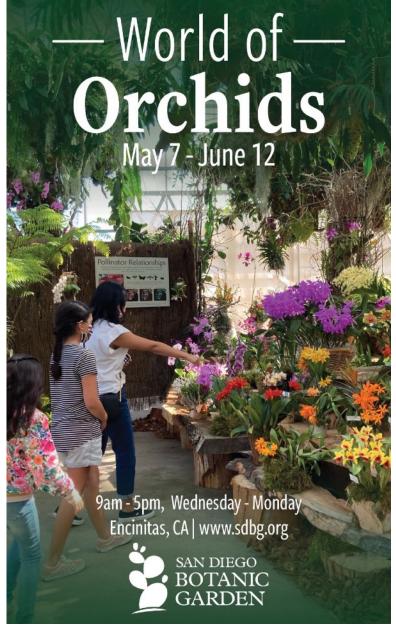
Fantastic discounts on all plant stock!

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

Bring this invite for a raffle ticket









Gems From The October Meeting







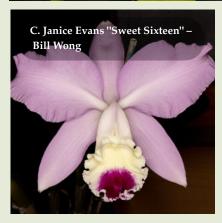
















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Alex Nadzan &
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Upcoming Events

Through June 12, 2022

World of Orchids San Diego Botanic Garden sdbgarden.org

May 27 - 29, 2022

Annual Show and Sale Conejo Orchid Society Thousand Oaks conejoorchidsociety.org

June 1, 2022

POS General Meeting Gowland Meeting Room Dove Library, Carlsbad palomarorchid.org

June 4, 2022

Open House Sunset Valley Orchids sunsetvalleyorchids.com

SDCOS Species Meeting David Vanden 4davidv@gmail.com

June 7, 2022

AOS Orchid Judging Casa del Prado, Balboa Park aos.org

SDCOS General Meeting Casa del Prado, Balboa Park sdorchids.com

June 8 - July 4, 2022 Orchid Competition & Show San Diego County Fair anadzan@mac.com

June 11, 2022

Orchid Digest Speaker Day Huntington Gardens Botanical Center orchiddigest.org June 17, 2022

Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

June 17 - 19, 2022

Open House Andy's Orchids andysorchids.com

July 2, 2022

SDČOŚ Species Meeting David Vanden 4davidv@gmail.com

July 5, 2022

AOS Orchid Judging Casa del Prado, Balboa Park aos.org

SDCOS General Meeting Casa del Prado, Balboa Park sdorchids.com

July 6, 2022

POS General Meeting Gowland Meeting Room Dove Library, Carlsbad palomarorchid.org

July 15 - 17, 2022

Summer Hummer Sale Cal-Orchid Santa Barbara calorchid.com

July 15, 2022 Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org July 30 - 31, 2022

Orchids in the Park SDCOS Summer Show Casa del Prado, Balboa Park sdorchids.com

August 2, 2022

AOS Orchid Judging Casa del Prado, Balboa Park aos.org

SDCOS General Meeting Casa del Prado, Balboa Park sdorchids.com

August 3, 2022

POS General Meeting Gowland Meeting Room Dove Library, Carlsbad palomarorchid.org

August 6, 2022

SDCOS Species Meeting David Vanden 4davidv@gmail.com

August 19, 2022 Orchid Odyssey San Diego Zoo sandiegozoo.org

Our Sister Society's Meetings

The San Diego County Orchid Society meets on the first Tuesday of each month in Room 101 in the Casa del Prado of Balboa Park in San Diego. Culture class starts at 6:30 pm and the General meeting starts at 7:30 pm. Meetings are free and are open to the public, except for the May and December meetings which are member & invited guests only. Each first Tuesday meeting includes a Plant Forum: your opportunity to share a stunning bloom which wasn't ready for the previous show.

sdorchids.com

