



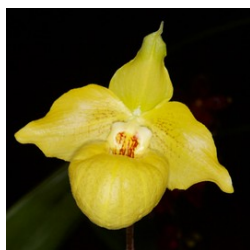
POS News

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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Attending the March Meeting via Zoom

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

A few of the regular shows are planned again for early 2022 while others have been cancelled. Check our calendar for details.
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Monthly Meeting • Wednesday, March 2, 2022 • 6:30 pm

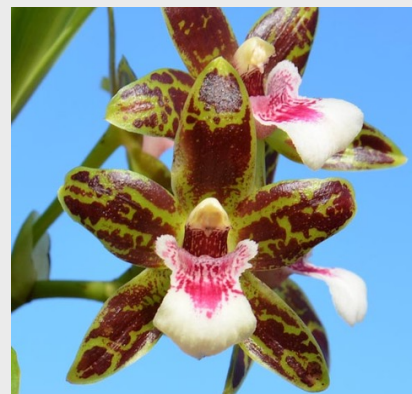


Tim Culbertson

Zygos for Southern California

Our society welcomes back Tim Culbertson who will talk about development of new *Zygopetalum* hybrids. Tim is an excellent speaker and orchid enthusiast who will illustrate new directions in Hawaii and in the US to make temperature-tolerant miniature *Zygos*. These

plants are easy to grow and flower, are vigorous, and have low cultural demands; many will grow easily outdoors in Southern California. Although many *Zygos* look similar, different breeding lines from around the world have pushed the look of *Zygos* in radical and wild directions. Many genera contribute to these new hybrids, and Tim will share will some of these with you, as well as help identify some of the important parents in the backgrounds of new and modern colors and appearances found in this genus. By the end of this presentation, attendees



Zyga. Dynamite Peru "SVO"



Zygoneria murisakikomachi

will have a new appreciation of what goes into breeding trends for these types of plants, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth, both indoors and outside. Tim's presentation is not to be missed and he will have a few of these beautiful plants for sale at the meeting.

Although Tim teaches middle school kids for a living, one of his passions has always been plants. Tim began growing

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PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Happy Spring to all POS members and Friends,

As we approach Spring, it is one of the best seasons for orchid lovers. Many varieties of orchids are in bloom, including Cymbidiums, Zygos, Dendrobiums, Cattleyas and many others. We get to enjoy the fruits of our labors. All the hard work, repotting, fertilizing, pest control, etc. finally pays off. This has been especially important during COVID with the cancellations of orchid shows, open houses and society meetings. Hopefully, we are at the end of the tunnel and 2022 will be more normal as the year progresses.

Last month we held an in-person meeting again and it was well attended, considering the lingering concerns. About 20 people enjoyed the culture presentation by Alex Nadzan and Jerry Spencer. Thanks to both of our expert growers for sharing the tips for successful orchid growing and cymbidium repotting. Our goal is to continue live meetings as long as they are safe. The city still requires masks for indoor meetings so this requirement will remain until further notice. Our members overwhelmingly prefer these in-person meetings to Zoom so we will strive to accomplish that. Meetings will require masks and vaccinated audiences. This month POS will provide refreshments and water but we urge attendees to wear their masks when not eating or drinking.

In January, for the first time, we were able to guarantee every opportunity table ticket purchaser an orchid and we will do this again in March. This is a bonus for member comfortable with coming to our meetings. We also want to apologize for the problems we experienced with the Zoom link for the meeting. Several of you were not able to log into the meeting because the previous month's link was sent in the newsletter email. From now on, we will be using a reoccurring Zoom meeting link that will be used for the March and subsequent meetings that will correct the problem.

Each month we highlight in the calendar upcoming events in the orchid communi-



ty. Sometimes there are last minute cancellations or changes after we publish the POS Newsletter, so be sure to consult the individual events websites before heading out.

SDCOS will be hosting their Spring Orchid Show at the Scottish Rite Events Center on March 18-20 so please plan to attend and support the vendors and our sister society. POS will have a display booth this year and we will be contacting those who volunteered to discuss their involvement and encourage members to enter their plants in our display or in the show for ribbon judging. Please see the accompanying article regarding the show and submission of plants for the display and show. In addition to the commercial vendor sales, several society members will be selling their own plants at the show as well as the orchid conservation group.

This past year we have added new members despite COVID. Many of our newer members are anxious to learn more about growing orchids and interacting with more experienced members. We also have lost some long-time members for various reasons, but we welcome all visitors and members at our meetings.

Please plan to renew your POS Membership early or join if you have not already done so. These fees are minimal but are important and help cover the speaker fees, opportunity tables, meeting room costs and other operating expenses. Mail renewals to POS, P.O. Box 130774, Carlsbad CA 92013 or renew online.

Please refer to the POS website or AOS website for orchid culture tips for this time of the year. One important piece of information is to plan and purchase your supplies before repotting, fertilizing, etc. You

don't want to be running around finding supplies in the middle of repotting. When repotting be sure to have on hand a variety of pot sizes, because you can't predict if you will be dividing or upsizing the pot. Be sure to keep on hand various sizes of orchid bark including small, medium and large. During the pandemic, there has been limited availability of imported orchid bark. Also be sure to find a primary source of supplies, whether a local store or on-line retailer. Since few of the big box stores carry a good selection of orchid pots, identify a source and stock up. Consider sharing bags of bark with a friend to minimize storage space, etc. An updated handout on Orchid Repotting Basics by Alex Nadzan is available for downloading from our website that lists on-line and local sources of orchid supplies, under the pulldown for Meetings and Speaker Handouts.

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*



Tim Culbertson cont.



Batemannia colleyi "SVO"

orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning it was all about Paphiopedilums, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which his collection numbers nearly 3000. While he loves finding old, rare stepping stones in Paph breeding, he also dabbles in a little hybridizing of his own,

and finds that growing up of his own babies is a blast. In addition, Tim is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and has served in various capacities with various orchid societies in California and on the East Coast. Tim also loves meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds Tim traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid



Zga. Dynamite 'Red-Valentine'

gossip. Tim likes to be involved in plants as much as possible. In addition to Longwood, Tim has worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. It is obvious that Tim really likes plants.

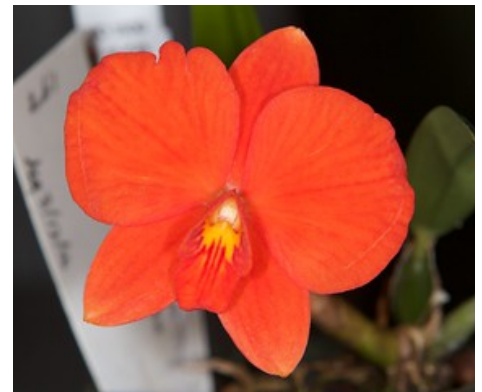
This month's plant table

will consist of mostly cattleya orchids donated to the society by Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids. Everyone who purchases tickets will be assured of at least one plant from the table.

SDCOS Spring Show and Request for Volunteers for POS Display

As mentioned in the President's Message, POS is participating in our sister societies orchid show by entering a display as we have done in previous years.

If you are interested in participating in the planning for the display, set up, take down or just providing plants for display, please contact Alex or Bill at your earliest convenience. If you just want to participate in the show by submitting your plants for the display or for the show in general, Debby Halliday of SDCOS has made it easy for you to enter your submissions by providing tags for the plants entered in the show. This makes it easier for both the submitters and the show organizers. Please refer to [the info from Debby](#) as well as [SDCOS' own website](#) for those who want to submit plants in the show.



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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.

February Judging Report

There were 11 individual orchids presented for judging and a group of 12 orchids submitted for an Award of Quality. Three individual orchids were awarded and an Award of Quality was awarded for the grouping.



C. coccinea 'Paradox Alcazar'
Exhibited by Paul and Ann Tuskes
Awarded AM, 86 points



Restrepia falkenbergii 'Arnie'
Exhibited by Arnold Gum
Awarded HCC, 78 points



Angraecum elephantinum 'Bell' Orchidea'
Exhibited by Phyllis Prestia
Awarded HCC, 78 points



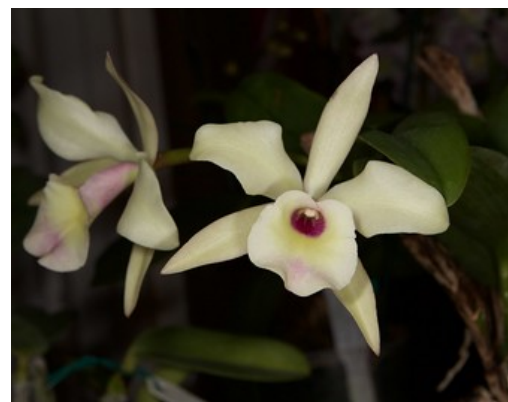
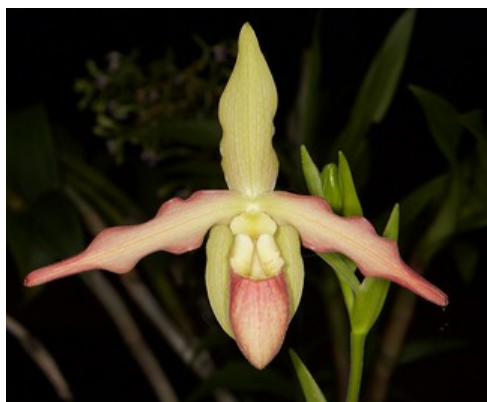
C. coccinea
Exhibited by Paul and Ann Tuskes
Awarded AQ, 0 points

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.

Due to COVID-19 protocols, all exhibitors and judges must wear a mask and follow a specific health protocol. For the time being, no visitors are allowed. For any questions, or if a member of the POS wishes to have flowering plants judged at one of these sessions but is unable to take the plants to the judging facility, please contact Phyllis Prestia at orchldy1@mac.com

Text by Phyllis Prestia, photos by Arnold Gum



Orchids

July 30–31

Saturday Noon – 6 p.m.
Early bird sales start at 10 a.m.

Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Balboa Park's
Casa del Prado, Room 101
Near the Natural History Museum

Free Admission



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Orchid Magic



San Diego County Orchid Society
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Orchid Show & Sale

March 19 - 20

10 am - 4 pm



PALOS VERDES ART CENTER

5504 Crestridge Road
Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275

Admission: \$5 Adults
Children under 12: Free

Free Parking

See award winning orchids

Buy direct from commercial growers

For complete show information and map:

www.southbayorchidsociety.com/Show/index.html



2022 POS Officers

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Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle
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Upcoming Events

March 1, 2022

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

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

March 2, 2022

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

March 5, 2022

SDCOS Species Meeting
 David Vanden
4davidv@gmail.com

March 18, 2022

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

March 18 - 20, 2022

Orchid Magic
 SDCOS's International Spring
 Show and Sale
 Scottish Rite Center, San Diego
sdorchids.com

March 19 & 20, 2022

Orchid Show & Sale
 South Bay Orchid Society
 Palos Verdes Art Center
southbayorchidsociety.com

April 2, 2022

SDCOS Species Meeting
 David Vanden
4davidv@gmail.com

April 5, 2022

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

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

April 6, 2022

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

April 15, 2022

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org

May 3, 2022

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

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

May 4, 2022

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

March 7, 2022

SDCOS Species Meeting
 David Vanden
4davidv@gmail.com

March 20, 2022

Orchid Odyssey
 San Diego Zoo
sandiegozoo.org



Our Sister Society's Meetings

The 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 Meetings are still being held online for now
sdorchids.com

