



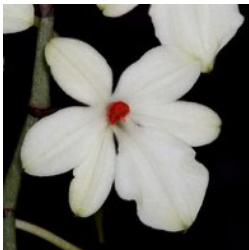
# POS News

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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Monthly Meeting • Wednesday, September 1, 2021 • 6:30 pm



## Tim Culbertson

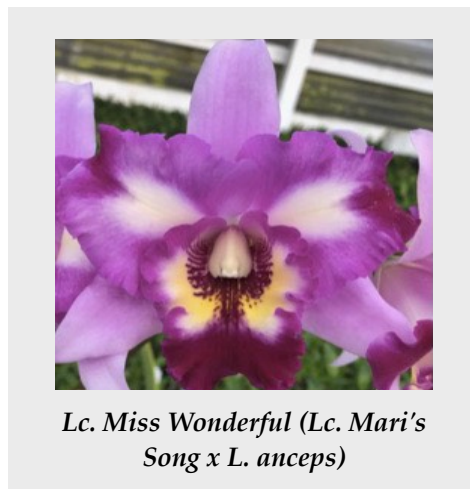
### *Laelia anceps, a Treasure of Mexico*

We welcome back one of our favorite speakers, Tim Culbertson, who will give us a presentation on 'Laelia anceps, a Treasure of Mexico'. Although large, these spectacular cattleyas grow well outside in our subtropical climate and with their myriad colors and free-blooming tenden-

cies, they are great plants for every collection. California is a hot-bed of interest in *Laelia anceps* types and hybrids, and has been for years. Tim will explore the species' influence in hybrids, and how breeders have made combinations of naturally occurring forms to create entirely new strains. By the end of this presentation, attendees will have a new appreciation of the range of color forms of *Laelia anceps* and its hybrids, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth. Tim's talk is not to be missed and he will be providing a



*L. anceps* var. *guererro* 'Broadbow'  
AM/AOS



*Lc. Miss Wonderful (Lc. Mari's Song x L. anceps)*

plant table that includes some wonderful select divisions and seedlings of *Laelia anceps* and its hybrids.

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

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## PRESIDENTS' MESSAGE

Hello POS Members and Friends,

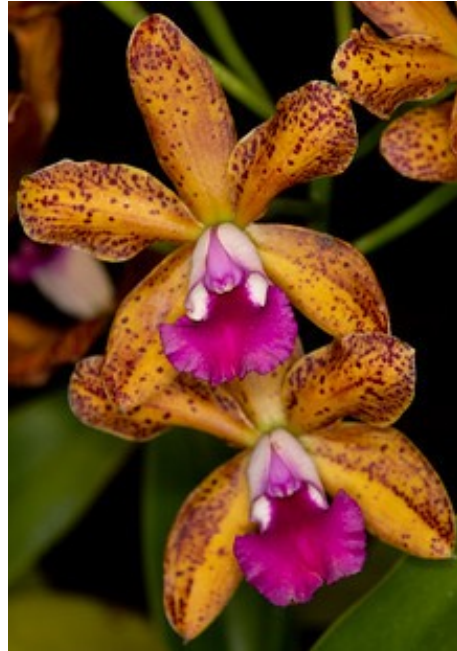
We had our third in-person POS meeting last month with excellent attendance. Besides our regular members, we were joined by several visitors from the Lake San Marcos community and everyone enjoyed the informative talk given by Carlos Lopez of Sunset Valley Orchids.

As announced at the August meeting, effective September 1st, POS will be meeting at the [Carlsbad Dove Library located at 1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad](#). Dove Lane is off of El Camino Real just north of the intersection of El Camino Real and Aviary Parkway. We have reserved the [Gowland Meeting room](#) thru December 2021 and plan to reserve it again for January thru June 2022 when next year's reservation system opens in September. The meeting room is adjacent to the entrance to the library and has its own entrance near the Art Gallery. Next month, as an added bonus, the gallery will have a new exhibit on display which opens that week. It is a free exhibit and the city typically has excellent art exhibits for the community. Come early and enjoy the exhibit.

PLEASE, DO NOT go to the Lake San Marcos Conference Center. We enjoyed meeting in the spacious meeting room, and it was a convenient location for many of our members. Unfortunately, the meeting room rate increased over the past few years and became unaffordable. The Dove Library is a smaller venue but large enough to accommodate our meetings. There is ample, well-lit parking and the rates are about one third that of the LSM Conference Center. We hope all of our members and visitors continue to attend the meetings even if it may be a few miles further away. For many of our members it is more convenient, so overall, it is a great change.

The matching fund campaign is off to a good start. After 2 months (of the 4-month campaign) we have achieved about \$1700 of donations (cash and plants) towards our goal of \$2500! If you haven't already done so, please consider donating. All donations are welcomed and appreciat-

ed. If we reach \$2500 of donations by October 31st, POS will receive \$5000 in total with the matching gift.



Our speaker for September is Tim Culbertson who will speak on 'Laelia anceps, a Treasure of Mexico'. Tim is an expert grower and excellent speaker who has spoken to our group before. He will discuss *Laelia anceps* as an easy to grow species in Southern California and as a parent of numerous desirable hybrids. We welcome Tim back. More on Tim's background and the talk is included on page one.

It's important to note that Carlsbad, and many other cities, are requiring masks for indoor events at city facilities, including for vaccinated individuals. We recognize that it is not as convenient or comfortable to wear masks but we ask that you wear a mask as we need to comply with the city. Please do not let the mask requirement prevent you from attending the meeting. We want to see you and have you enjoy Tim's talk and the conversation with fellow members.

Some of you have been asking about plant labels because good labels are hard to find and can be expensive. POS has purchased a supply of labels for sale to our

members at a minimal markup, so see Jerry or Jim at the meeting.

Please refer to the POS or the AOS website for culture tips during these hot summer days. In particular, our plants need more frequent watering and more attention is needed for proper shading. Take the time to give your collection more attention during these summer months. Some orchids are still producing new roots so they still can be divided and/or repotted at this time.

As mentioned in the previous newsletters, we encourage our member to send in your annual membership renewal via mail or [on-line using the POS website](#). Many of you have yet to renew, so please make the effort to support POS. Mail renewals to POS, P.O. Box 130774, Carlsbad CA 92013 or renew online.

As always, we hope our members and friends remain healthy, upbeat and optimistic about the future. 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 or e-mail them at [president@palomarorchid.org](mailto:president@palomarorchid.org).

Alex Nadzan and Bill Wong  
Co-Presidents, POS

### Snacks & Refreshments

This month, all members with last names beginning **N** through **Z** 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!

## Fundraising Opportunities

Our board has been considering ways of raising funds to make up for our inability to conduct auctions over the last two years and the board has come up with the following approaches.

### Matching Member Donations

Bill and Shelley Wong have very generously offered to match POS donations of up to a total of \$2500 raised from POS members and friends between the beginning of July and October 31, 2021. Donations can be made either by check or credit card using Square on our website. In order to keep track of donations, please make checks out to POS and write on the check Matching Donation so we keep them separate from dues. Send your checks to Palomar Orchid Society, PO Box 130774, Carlsbad, CA 92013.

### Special Plant Auctions at Meetings and Online

During this period, we will solicit donations from members of special plants preferably in bud or bloom to auction off to members and friends at our monthly meetings. Thus far, Jerry and Anita

Spencer and Alex Nadzan have agreed to donate some plants for this internal auction. We also hope to obtain a few donations from our local vendors as well. Moreover, since special plants are not always in bud or bloom in time for our meetings, we plan to auction off plants online, the details of which are being worked out and will be announced in advance.

We hope our members take advantage of these opportunities to raise needed funds to continue our meeting, our educational activities and our society. Your efforts and generosity toward this end will be greatly appreciated.

## Open Volunteer Positions

### Board Secretary

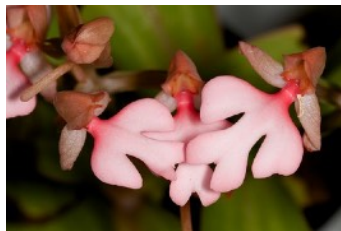
We are looking for someone with good organizational skills to serve as Secretary. The responsibilities involve taking and issuing minutes from POSboard meetings which usually are held three times per year. The Secretary also will be responsible for issuing thank you notes for members and vendors who donate to the society for our auctions and other fund raising activities.

## Publicity

Helge Weissig has agreed to take responsibility again for the Newsletter from Alex Nadzan who has been managing the Newsletter since Susan Johnston's passing. He would like to pass the responsibility for the publicity position on to someone else.

## Instagram Manager

We are seeking a volunteer who has some technical skills to oversee the POS Instagram site and post pics and information of interest to orchid enthusiasts.



## 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.

# New POS Meeting Location

As mentioned in the President's Message, as of September 1, our meetings will be conducted in the [Gowland Meeting room at the Carlsbad City Library \(Dove Library\)](#). For those of you who are not familiar with the facility, the Dove Library is located at [1775 Dove Lane, Carlsbad, CA 92011](#). Dove Lane is off of El Camino Real, just north of the intersection of Aviara Parkway and El Camino Real in Carlsbad. The Gowland Meeting Room is a state-of-the-art facility, the entrance of which is located to the right of the library entrance and adjacent to the Art Gallery (see pic with red arrow below).

Our meeting will start promptly at the regular time of 6:30 pm and will end no later than 9:30 pm. Should members want to continue conversations, they may do so after on the patio in the library courtyard. POS asks that all attendees be fully vaccinated and, due to the recent surge in COVID infections, the City of Carlsbad requires every one to wear face masks in city owned facilities, regardless of whether they are unvaccinated or fully

vaccinated. Please wear your masks! We will have extras if you forget to bring yours. We look forward to seeing you there.



## AOS Judging To Resume

AOS Judging at the Casa del Prado (room 104) in Balboa Park will resume on September 7, 2021.

The following COVID-19 protocols for exhibitors and judges will be in effect:

Upon arrival at the judging site, personnel and exhibitors will be asked the following questions:

- Have they had contact in the last week with anyone who has been ill or documented to be positive for COVID
- Do they have any symptoms (fever, dry cough or tiredness, loss of taste or smell, headaches, sore throat, diarrhea)

If the answer to either question is yes, they will be asked to leave.

Following CDC guidelines, masks are recommended to be used indoors. Please consult the official resources of the city of San Diego and the county for any mandatory requirements.

One person will be designated as the greeter. Exhibitors will be greeted at the door and asked the above health protocol questions.

One exhibitor will be permitted in the room at a time to fill out the entry form at the front desk and drop off the plant(s). If there is more than one exhibitor at a time, others are asked to wait in line outside the room following social distancing.

Once the plant has been screened or judged and photographed, the exhibitor will be called to pick up the plant at the front desk.



## Tim Culbertson cont.

bers 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 "babies" of his own is a blast.

Tim is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and has served in various capacities with several orchid societies in California as well as on the East Coast. Tim loves meeting other people who share his love for orchids 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 gossip. Tim likes to be involved with 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.

**PLEASE NOTE:** Our meetings have moved to the [The George and Patricia Gowland Meeting Room at the Carlsbad Library](#).

## September To Do List

### General

In spite of the day length becoming shorter in September, this month can still produce very warm days for continued growth of your plants. Watch them carefully and provide adequate water and fertilizer before tapering off when warm days begin to wane.

Some cattleyas and other genera (den-drobiums, oncidiums) are still in active growth mode so take the opportunity to repot those you may have missed before month's end to allow enough

growth before the onset of cooler weather and initiation of the dormancy period.

Maintain good hygiene practices to minimize transmission of pests and viruses, particularly during the warm summer months when pests and diseases can proliferate very quickly and spread throughout the collection. Carefully inspect plants for scale and aphids and treat early to minimize spread.

More details on specific genera can be found on the [AOS website](#).



### Indoors and Greenhouse

Carefully monitor greenhouse temperatures as higher summer and early fall temperatures can easily cook plants. Make sure fans and automatic vents are in good working order. Mist plants to increase humidity and cool down temperatures.

Continue to provide good air circulation for indoor plants to discourage diseases and pests such as mealy bugs and scale. Treat early to avoid spreading to other plants. More info on pests and diseases can be found at the [AOS website](#).

Maintain increased watering and fertilizer to accommodate growth during this period. Avoid over fertilizing to minimize root damage and growth of soft growths. Keep to one half to one fourth the recommended amount on the package.

### Outdoors

Continue to monitor and control snails, slugs and pests during this period. They can do considerable damage to plants in short order.

Cattleyas should be coming into the fall blooming season as well as hardening off of growth produced in the spring and summer. Maintain watering frequency and cut back on fertilizer as growths mature.

Early blooming cymbidiums should be developing spikes so switch from high nitrogen fertilizer to one with higher phosphorus and potassium (Hi Bloom such as 10-30-20) to initiate and stimulate spike production. See also [the AOS website](#) for more information.

Catsetums / cynoches should begin their fall blooming period during this month. Continue to give them warm temperatures, high light and fertilize well at each watering until you see them begin their dormancy period by the yellowing and dropping of leaves. Cut back on water and fertilizer as suggested by Fred Clarke on [his website](#).

To induce your phalaenopsis to rebloom, subject them to 1-2 weeks of night temps of around 50 °F, but bring them in when night temps go below 50 °F as they are sensitive to cold. If you grow them in the house, put them in a cool room or near a window to obtain the lower night temps for spike initiation.

*The monthly To Do list is a collaboration of several POS members. We appreciate any and all comments, suggestions, and feedback on our new feature. Please send them to [newsletter@palomarorchid.org](mailto:newsletter@palomarorchid.org)!*

**FALL OPEN HOUSE**  
September 17 - 19

Andy's Orchids

**Orchid Show and Sale**  
September 18 & 19

**OUR NEW LOCATION**

Location: **PALOS VERDES ART CENTER**  
5504 W Crestridge Road  
Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275

- Buy direct from commercial growers
- See award winning orchids/displays

Hours 10am-4pm Saturday and Sunday

Admission: Adults \$6 & Children under 12 Free  
**FREE Parking**

For all show information and map  
[www.southbayorchidsociety.com](http://www.southbayorchidsociety.com)

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**Proudly Present The 40th Edition of the Fascination of Orchids Show & Sale**  
September 25 & 26, 2021, 10 AM to 4 PM  
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**Fascination of Orchids Show & Sale**

**Orchids**  
October 23-24  
Saturday Noon – 5 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*

**Show and Sale in the Park**

[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)  
San Diego County Orchid Society

# Gems From The August Meeting



C. Summer Spot 'Carmela'  
Suzi Sandore



Lc. Simplicity 'In the Pink' x C. aelandiae 'BB'  
Helge Weissig



C. Hsinying Cognac 'Thai Spots' – Anita Spencer



Pot. Stippled Sunset – Alex Nadzan



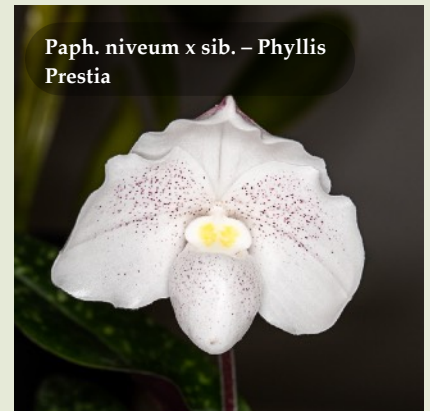
Den. Hibiki – Iso Zehner



Slc. Beau's Apricot Gem x Slc. Tinsywinsy  
Ken Campbell



Psychopsis Mendenhall 'Hildos' – Marvanne Kind



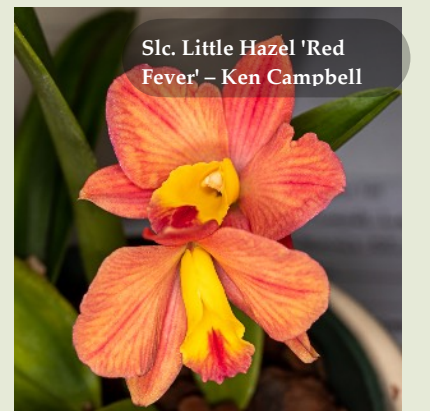
Paph. niveum x sib. – Phyllis Prestia



Lc. Acker's Madison x Slc. Golden Wax – Suzi Sandore



Slc. Fresh Love x Lc. Dennis Oliveras  
Ken Campbell



Slc. Little Hazel 'Red Fever' – Ken Campbell

Photos by Helge Weissig– Full album at [www.palomarorchid.org](http://www.palomarorchid.org)

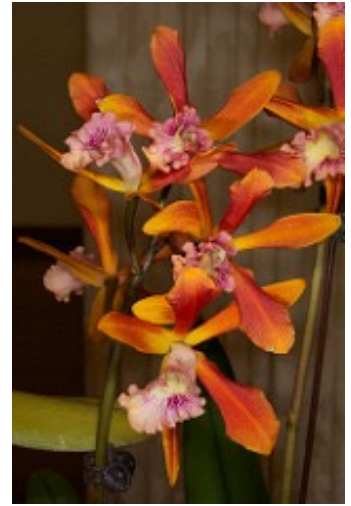
## 2021 POS Officers

**Alex Nadzan & Bill Wong — Co-President**  
**Tom Wisniewski & Alex Nadzan — Co-1st Vice President/Programs**  
**Jerry Spahn — 2nd Vice President/Raffle**  
**Trudy Ibbetson — 3rd Vice President/Membership**  
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**Debra Funakoshi — Facebook Editor**

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## Contact Us

### Upcoming Events

#### September 1, 2021

POS General Meeting  
 Gowland Meeting Room  
 Dove Library, Carlsbad  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

#### September 4, 2021

SDCOS Species Meeting  
 David Vanden  
[4davidv@gmail.com](mailto:4davidv@gmail.com)

#### September 7, 2021

AOS Orchid Judging  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[aos.org](http://aos.org)

SDCOS General Meeting  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

#### September 17, 2021

Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)

#### September 17 - 19, 2021

Fall Open House  
 Andy's Orchids  
[andysorchids.com](http://andysorchids.com)

#### September 18 & 19, 2021

Show and Sale  
 South Bay Orchid Society  
 Palos Verdes Art Center  
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#### September 25 & 26, 2021

Fascination of Orchids Show  
 & Sale  
 Santa Ana Zoo, Santa Ana, CA  
[fascinationoforchids.com](http://fascinationoforchids.com)

#### October 2, 2021

SDCOS Species Meeting  
 David Vanden  
[4davidv@gmail.com](mailto:4davidv@gmail.com)

#### October 5, 2021

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 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[aos.org](http://aos.org)

SDCOS General Meeting  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

#### October 6, 2021

POS General Meeting  
 Gowland Meeting Room  
 Dove Library, Carlsbad  
[palomarorchid.org](http://palomarorchid.org)

#### October 15, 2021

Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://sandiegozoo.org)

#### October 30 & 31, 2021

Fall Orchids in the Park  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
[sdorchids.com](http://sdorchids.com)

#### November 2, 2021

AOS Orchid Judging  
 Casa del Prado, Balboa Park  
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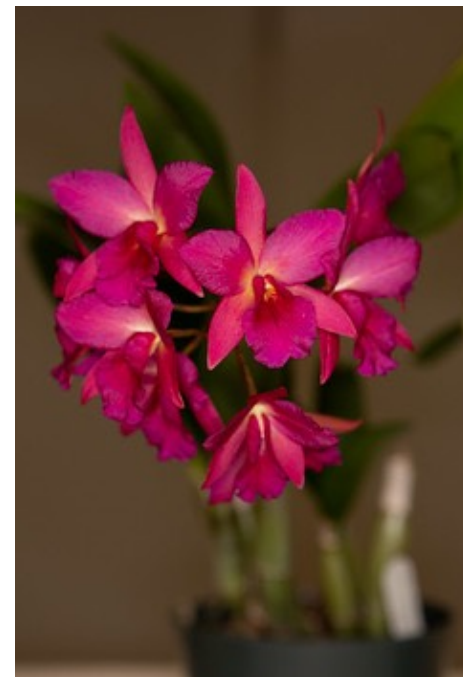
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#### November 19, 2021

Orchid Odyssey  
 San Diego Zoo  
[sandiegozoo.org](http://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](http://sdorchids.com)

