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OUR ANNUAL SHOW: ORCHID PARADISE

Jan. 25-27, 2019



Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society Show -How you can get involved!

Our 61st Show and Sale: Orchid Paradise is about 8 weeks away, and we are all super busy with preparations. Music and menus for Preview Party, setting up floor plans for the vendors, placing advertising, preparing for AOS judging, and much more must be finalized soon to ensure another successful show!

Here is what we need from you

1) Sign up to volunteer at the show. Many have already selected a day and time to volunteer but we need about 40 more members to add their names to the sign-up board and volunteer for 4 hour shifts at one of many open positions. You can contact me directly at michaelschaberl@comcast.net or sign up at the January meeting. Each and every volunteer receives a free orchid at our February meeting and has the enjoyment and good feeling that you added to the success of OUR show... you were part of it all! Get to know other members and help our society.

2) Start Spreading the Word and help us advertise our show. It can be fast, easy, and is really important! We all have a Facebook or Twitter account and may also be members of FOG, involved Orchid Shows and sales, or other sites where you can 'like' our show, share the show information and help get the word out to friends, family and others who haven't yet caught the "Orchid Fever." If they have never seen an orchid Show, they will thank you. (cont. on page 3)

Mark Your Calendar

December 9

Holiday Party (this is the monthly meeting!) Invitation on pages 3&4

Janurary 14

Prem Subrahmayam natives/photography

Jan. 25, 26 & 27

FLOS Annual Show & Sale

President's Message

By Gigi Granger

As we near the end of 2018, I'd like to take a moment to recognize all of our accomplishments and events for the past twelve months. We started our year off with a successful "Diamond Jubilee" show. We had nine guest speakers: Ken and Judy Russ, Katherine Mannion, Roy Tokunaga, Chuck McCartney, Norman Fang, Jason Downing, Judy Bailey and Francisco Miranda. We also held a successful auction and watched a movie on Ghost Orchids. In May, we received and relocated the Burtoff orchid collection.

Thanks to the Million Orchid Project committee, we have established a working partnership with the Dr. Carl Lewis and Jason Downing and have begun reintroducing native orchids into Broward County parks and neighborhoods. We requested the honor of hosting the 2020 AOS Spring Meeting; but unfortunately due to our show occurring too early in the year, the board declined our offer. We look forward to working with AOS in their preparation for its centennial celebration.

Our year will conclude with the holiday party. We will have the annual "plant walk" to pick out the new babies we get to take home and the centerpiece raffle. Of course we will have dancing and our entertainment will be provided by Giovanni Fazio. Open bar and appetizers start at 6:30. I encourage members to join us at Hugh's Catering Sunday December 9 (you must let Paula Kramer know you will be attending by December 3). It is a great way to start the holiday season among good friends. Tickets are \$40 for members and \$65 for guests. They are available online at https://members.flos.org, under the heading 'My event registrations'. Have a happy and healthy holiday season. I'll see everyone in 2019.

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KEIKI CLUB NEWS

BY JILL SMITH

The Keikis have been busy these past few months attending a couple of meetings that were great fun and in beautifully diverse venues. The first meeting was held at the yards and growing areas of neighbors and former Keikis, Lori Cervenec and Dolores Hurst. We gathered at Dolores' place first, taking in all the glorious blooming orchids hanging in a shade house, from decorative pot holders, mounted on trees and many bordering her lovely patio. The yards are separated by a fence with a large gate in between so the dear friends have easy access to their adjoining properties. Lori's yard is equally beautiful with gorgeous orchids everywhere and in similar growing areas with dappled sun-

light--ideal conditions for the plants they grow. Lori's husband Kerry, a very clever guy with wood, saw and nails, is responsible for the pergolas where the ladies grow their many vandaceous orchids as well as other little nooks and crannies where their plants thrive. We enjoyed a delightful afternoon with copious refreshments, good company and best of all, learning more about how to grow our orchids and

getting ideas for our own growing areas. Thank you both, Dolores and Lori, for our wonderful visit!

Our second meeting was on November 3rd at the home and acreage of Lydia Davis and Bernie Deutsch in Southwest Ranches. It was a real treat to roam about the grounds, exploring the different gardens they have created and finding orchids blooming everywhere. It's an established fact that Lydia and Bernie love to go orchid shopping, and we now know the answer to where they put all of them. There is no shortage of spots for even more orchids and other native Florida plants and foliage they enjoy growing. In addition to all the plants and trees, their yard is also inhabited by bees, and peacocks roam about like they own the place! Our observations were rewarded by all new ideas on to how to pot, hang and mount the incredible



Make yourself known as a FLOS member by wearing your new identification button. This button is yours to keep, so it can be worn to Keiki meetings, rambles and at shows (Redlands, Mounts, etc). Keep it in your car so it will always be handy. Be sure to pick up your button at the membership table.

variety of orchids that thrive in their yard. Weather cooperated again, we enjoyed a spread of food and drink. A good time was had by all. Thank you, Lydia and Bernie, for being such gracious hosts and sharing



your wonderful expanse with the Keikis!

The Keikis have been invited by Scott and Donna Peplin for a holiday celebration on Sunday, December 2nd from 3-5 PM. More information will follow via email, but let it be known that this is a "weather sensitive" event. If Mother Nature is uncooperative, we'll be rescheduling in January for a Pre-Show/Happy New Year Party! And don't forget to sign up for the big FLOS Holiday Party on December 9th!

Jill Smith (jsmith8146@comcast.net), Rick Bellas (willbell@aol.com) Sue Mitchell-Grieg smg05kw@gmail.com)



Bulbophyllum More Than Aghast Jill Smith Photo by Jill Smith



V. Yano Blue Karen Fleisher



Paph. Vanguard—Rich Ackerman



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(cont. from page 1) It will be a beautiful show, and we have many patrons who come just to marvel at (and photograph) the 10,000 blooming orchids displayed in such natural floor displays. We have a very special event nothing in this area compares to our show.

- 3) Purchase your 8 presale tickets either online or pay for them at the January 14 members meeting. Paying for all 8 tickets entitles you to a preview party ticket, and these tickets are limited and going fast. You do not want to miss such a fun and beautiful evening walking among the orchids, enjoying dinner, live music, and friends! Please remember that all unsold presale tickets must be returned before the show so we don't incur any additional charges from the War Memorial.
- 4) Start to identify those orchids you feel will be blooming for the show. The Grand Prize Hobbyist cash award is now \$500. NEW prizes this year are \$250 for the Best Cattleya and Best Dendrobium grown by a FLOS Member, and the best cut flower/container display also by a FLOS member will receive \$250.00!
- 5) Lastly, be sure to pick up at the January meeting and distribute discount "save the date" cards and posters. You can pass them out at libraries, food stores, churches, restaurants, garden centers and your place of work. They save \$3 off the admission price at the door. If we can get 1000 more people to visit the show, it would be really wonderful!

As always, feel free to contact me with any questions or concerns. Please remember this Show is our major

fund raising event for the year. If you can bring in 2 more people who would not have come, then we will be very successful. Without your help... we have no show ... When you help, in whatever way you can, FLOS becomes greater and more able to continue all the wonderful work we do!



Thank You All!!



Bc. Deese Charles-Roderick Lewis

MILLION ORCHID PROJECT UPDATE

We are happy to announce that we are now part of the Million Orchid Project! We have a variety of partnerships lined up in the community. There are many ways for FLOS members to participate too!

Ceremonial Kickoff Event

Everyone is invited to celebrate this new relationship and to help plant 250 native orchids in Holiday Park. If you are interested in bringing native plants to your own neighborhood, plan on attending to get some first-hand experience. It will be on January 23, 2019, at 1pm at Holiday Park, War Memorial Auditorium.

FLOS Show

We will be selling "Citizen Science" native orchid kits at the FLOS booth (600 orchids). We will also create a table top display to tell the MOP story to Show attendees. Sue Mitchell-Grieg has offered to coordinate creation of the display. The kits will each include around 10 orchids, a tube of glue, a QR code, and instructions. Sue Zimmer and Kate Donohue are helping create the kits.

Broward College installation

Earth Day (April 20, 2019 or so) – planting 750 orchids on South Campus. Installation will be done by Science Club and Environmental Science students. Helpers from FLOS welcome!

Dillard High School installation

Spring 2019 – planting 500 orchids on Dillard campus. Again, installation by students with FLOS helpers welcome.

Museum of Discovery and Science

Outreach event early May, kits for sale and display of information. 100% FLOS volunteers!

Colee Hammock neighborhood installation

Mid-May 2019 – 1,000 orchids. Installation by neighbors; FLOS helpers welcome. This HOA's Beautification Committee approached Rich about putting in orchids and agreed to use natives.

FLOS De-flasking – we are the first MOP partner doing this. We are licensed to de-flask MOP orchids and harden them off ourselves. By offloading this from Fairchild, we can get plants for a lower price. A cell pack of 72 orchids is only 12" x 20". How many members could find space for that and would like to try it? We are working on policies and procedures for this. It is very experimental. Let us know if you want to participate.



Many thanks to the Committee who have worked together on this: Tin Ly, Allen Cogar, Sue Mitchell-Grieg, Paul Gumos, and Rich Ackerman. We would also like to thank the Board for their support.

NOVEMBER RIBBONS

NOVEMBER RAMBLE

Bc. Green Bird	Kate Donohue	Blue
Broughtonia negrilensis	Paul Gumos	Blue
Bulb. crassipes	Roby Tanenbaum	Blue
C. Deep Powder x C. trianae x Dream Match	Gustavo Valverde	Blue
C. Julia 'Good Morning'	Deborah Rauch	Blue
Cyc. Taiwan Gold 'Orange'	Johnny Ma	Blue
Den Chan Chao	Johnny Ma	Blue
Paph. Vanguard	Rich Ackerman	Blue
V. Yano Blue	Karen Fleisher	Blue
V Pranerm Ornete x V. Noppow Gold 'Yellow'	Gustavo Valverde	Blue
Zelenkoa onusta	Olivier Turina	Blue
Zygopetalum tsubataara?	Anzhelika Bonda- ranko	Blue
Bc. Bosnia Bill ?	Bud Romboli	Cultural
Bc. Maikai 'Louise'	Bud Romboli	Cultural
Blc. Beautiful Morning	Gustavo Valverde	Cultural
Bulbophyllum Laura Newton	Roby Tannenbaum	Cultural
Bulbophyllum More Than Aghast	Jill Smith	Cultural
Cycnodes Wine Delight	Olivier Turina	Cultural
Den. Emma White	Bud Romboli	Cultural
Micropera pallida	Rich Ackerman	Cultural
Platystele umbellata	Vicki Hallock	Cultural
Rlc. Walnita Char 'Big Red'	Jeff Tucker	Cultural
V. Renue Gold	Gustavo Valverde	Cultural
Vanda Golden Doubloon	Olivier Turina	Cultural
Vasco. Pine Rivers	Gustavo Valverde	Cultural
Bc. Déese Charles	Roderick Lewis	Red
Blc. Hausemann's Holiday 'Isheming'	Kate Donohue	Red
Bulb. Buckleberry	Roby Tanenbaum	Red
C. Danny Adams ?	Bud Romboli	Red
Ctsm. Jumbo Tycoon	Johnny Ma	Red
Papilionanda Paksorn Fragrance (Papilionanda Mimi Palmer x Vanda insignis)	Anzhelika Bondaren- ko	Red
Pot Coral 'Pacific Rainbow'	Kate Donohue	Red
Rlc. Pink Empress 'Bright Star'	Debbie Litchmore	Red







pk@mtwevents.com

Where: Hugh's Catering 4351 NE 12th. Terrace Oakland Park, FL (Directions on back of this page)

When: Sunday, December 9, 2018 6:30—10:30 PM

Musical entertainment provided by **GIOVANNI FAZIO!!!!!!**

Entree selections (one for each person):

FLOS Holiday Party 2016 Names of members attending:	_Chicken Marsala _Tenderloin of Beef _Pan-Seared Tuna _Vegetarian
Total for members(\$40 each) Names of guests attending:	From 6:30 to 7:30 there will be an open bar; from 7:30 to 10:30 wine and coffee only will be served. Other beverages may be purchased at the bar.
Total for Guests(\$65 each) TOTAL People you would like to sit with:	You can sign up now at https://members.flos.org : and pay online: -go to https://members.flos.org -log in (only members can log in) -click on 'my event registration'
(we will try to accommodate seating requests) Please detach below the red dotted line and send with your check (make checks out to Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society) by December 1 to: Paula Kramer: 4400 NE 16th Terrace, Oakland Park FL 33334	-cnck on my event registration -you will see: 'Holiday Party' and can register there.

Driving Direction to Hugh's Catering

From Interstate 95

Take Exit 32 East – Commercial Boulevard. Continue to North Dixie Highway. Turn Right and go to the next light – Florinada. Turn left and go over the train tracks and make the next right onto NE 12th Terrace. Hugh's will be on the right. Drive through gates.

From Federal Highway

Turn onto Florinada (Macy's Furniture Gallery is on the corner) and drive down to NE 12th Terrace (last street before the train tracks). Turn left and Hugh's will be on the right. Drive through gates.

Parking

There is ample parking on Hugh's property.







FLOS Holiday Party 2017







Hugh's Catering photos

A NEOPHYTE'S JOURNEY

By Kate Donohue

The Joys of Getting Involved

With the Holidays fast approaching, our annual Orchid Show and Sale will be here before you know it. Thinking about the amount of work, planning, and volunteer effort involved in producing this show every year, it reminds me of the reasons I joined FLOS nearly two years ago, how far I've come and grown, and how much I have enjoyed the journey.

I joined FLOS because I wanted to learn how not to kill the beautiful orchids I was trying to grow and meet other orchid enthusiasts and find out how they are growing. When I went to the first meeting, I did not know anyone and felt unsure and alone. Nobody greeted or offered to help me, so I found dear Zoe on my own, who was helpful. Started to get a feel for what was happening by my third or fourth meeting and had learned about the Keiki Club, but was unable to attend the events on Sundays. Still didn't know anybody, but felt more comfortable asking questions and introducing myself to a couple people, asking about the orchids they brought in for judging, etc. FLOS was OK, getting better, but not quite what I hoped it would be.

In the fall, the most amazing thing happened. I signed up for the November Homestead Ramble and arrived to find that our most wonderful Keiki Mom Jill Smith had decided to "adopt" me, show me the ropes, and introduce me around. I guess she was impressed because I had just offered to take over the newsletter mailing, easy for me, but apparently a big deal for FLOS.

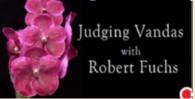
Everything started to change. Now, I really wanted to get involved. I went to the Holiday Party alone and shared a table with people I'd never seen before (and enjoyed it). I started attending the Keiki events, manned a couple FLOS tables at orchid shows, and signed up to help at our Orchid Show, helped with our exhibit, and attended the Preview Party. Jill strongly encouraged me to volunteer to clerk for the AOS judges, even though I felt completely unqualified. It turned out to be one of the greatest single learning experiences I've had—AND I didn't mess it up!

In January, I'll officially graduate from the Keiki Club, but like some of us, I'll refuse to leave because the Keikis have become my family, like so many of my fellow members. I've learned so much, made so many friends, had so much fun, spent way too much money to fill my new shade house, developed a serious case of "Orchidiction," and can't wait to go outside each morning to see if I have been blessed with any new blooms. I watch carefully at each meeting to see if someone new is looking lost or con



AMERICAN ORCHID SOCIETY WEBINARS Webinars are online video presentations. You can register for an upcoming webinar or watch the recorded webinars any time at your convenience. The AOS adds multiple webinars each month, so check back often. Some are member only, but it's just an additional reason for joining. Current December

offerings:



Judging Vandas with Robert Fuchs Wednesday December 12th—8:30-9:30 PM THE AOS LIBRARY NOW OPEN!



We are pleased to announce that our library is now open! Located in Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden in Coral Gables, Florida, the library holds our extensive collection of orchid books and artifacts.

Library hours are:

Monday - Wednesday - Friday 9:00 AM to Noon Tuesday - Thursday 10:00 AM to 1:00 PM.

West Palm Beach Judging Center is at:

Flamingo Gardens 3750 South Flamingo Road Davie, Florida, 33330

Judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens, at 2:00 PM on the fourth Saturday of the month. November & December judging will occur on the third Saturday because of the holidays.

Bring your plants for nominations before 2:00.

Contact: Chair - Robert Fuchs Web site: http://wpbjudging.org/

fused because I want their first impression to be better than mine was. Then I introduce them to Jill, and know they are already on their way.

Lesson learned: If you make the effort to get involved, even if you don't know anyone, you will receive benefits and blessings far beyond the effort you put in. I certainly have!

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Regular Meetings: Second Monday of each month

Time: 7:30 pm. Place: Christ Lutheran Church Social Hall, 1955 East Oakland Park Blvd. Fort Lauderdale, FL 33306

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