



FORT LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY

The purpose of the Society is to stimulate interest, provide education and enable exchange of information among those interested in the culture of orchids in all its aspects.

President's Message

By Gigi Granger

This month is our annual auction. We are pleased to have Mac Rivenbark as our knowledgeable auctioneer. If you have never been to our auction, here are some tips for a successful auction experience:

-Come early and take a look around and perhaps pick out plants of interest.



-Register and get a numbered plate, if you don't have a numbered plate, you cannot bid.

-When you win a bid, the tallying table folks add your bid to your number on their charts.

-When you are ready to leave, get your total from the tally table and proceed to the cashier area to cash out.

FLOS accepts all major credit cards, checks and of course cash. As much as we would like to guarantee orchids purchased will grow and be healthy at your house, orchids donated from private collections and growers are sold as is. The Burtoff orchid collection has spent the growing months rehabilitating and many are ready to find new homes. We are looking forward to fulfilling our promise to Mariam and sharing her amazing collection with everyone. Finally, I would like to express our gratitude to everyone who has donated plants to help make our auction a success.

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FLOS ANNUAL AUCTION

This will be a fun night you don't want to miss!

Our auction supports our society and gives you a chance to get interesting new orchids. This year we feature plants from the Miriam Burtoff Collection. Check the website for the names of 50+ orchids from her collection that will be for sale.

1. **The auction starts at 7:00pm, not 7:30. Registration starts at 6:30. Get there early to register and to find plants of interest.**
2. There is no ribbon judging. Plants you bring in will be sold :)
3. Walk-in donations for the auction are welcome. Drop off your contributions with Zoe and Kate at the donations table. It's best if plants are properly tagged, with a description of blooming color and season. Other orchidalia like supplies, artwork, or books are also appreciated.
4. FLOS provides refreshments so you don't need to bake anything this month.
5. Please bring a container to hold your purchases. If you can bring a few extra cardboard boxes to donate, that would be appreciated too! (We want to keep the new carpeting clean.)
6. We always appreciate extra help setting up and taking down the auction. Show up early to help bring in plants and set up the room. There are hundreds of plants to bring in from cars and trucks. If you can stay late and help clean up that would be great too.



Mark Your Calendar

October 8	November 12	December 9
Auction See above	Francisco Miranda	Holiday Party See invitation on pages 3 & 4

SEPTEMBER RIBBONS

<i>B. cordata var. alba</i>	Rich Ackerman	Blue
B. David Sanders	Roderick Lewis	Blue
Blc. Yen Corona 'Green Genie'	Dolores Hurst	Blue
Cattleya Caudebec 'Linwood' AM/AOS	Paul Gumos	Blue
Cynoches Maren Gleason	Olivier Turina	Blue
Den. Isabel Sander var. luzonicum	Debbie Johnson	Blue
<i>Dendrobium mirbelianum</i>	Johnny Ma	Blue
Encyvola Phoenix	Rick Bellas	Blue
<i>Habenaria medusa</i>	Paul Gumos	Blue
Mymecocattleya Louisa Adel Fuchs	Debbie Johnson	Blue
<i>Peristeria elata</i>	Bob Stroozas	Blue
Phal K S Mini Tris	Olivier Turina	Blue
V. Memoria Sueamarge?	Les Corbin	Blue
Vanda M V Tarni??	Kelvin Starheny	Blue
Blc. Hawaii Stars 'Paradise'	Bud Romboli	Cultural
Den. Enobi Purple 'Splash'	Debbie Johnson	Cultural
<i>Dendrobium biggibum var. compactum</i>	Bud Romboli	Cultural
Encyclia radiata	Claire Garrett	Cultural
<i>Lockhartia lunifera</i>	Bob Stroozas	Cultural
<i>Macroclinium manabinum</i>	Rick Bellas	Cultural
<i>Stelis sp.</i>	Rick Bellas	Cultural
Ascocenda Crownfox Moonlight	Les Corbin	Red
Den. All Season Blue	Bud Romboli	Red
Encyvola Jairak Kiss ?	Rick Bellas	Red
Phalaenopsis Sogo Yukidian	Johnny Ma	Red



Make yourself known as a FLOS member by wearing your new identification button. This button is yours to keep and designed 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 available. Be sure to pick up your button at the membership table.



Amazon has a program called Amazon Smile that donates 0.5% of your purchase price to a non-profit if you join the Smile program. FLOS is on their list of supported non-profits so you can choose to support us while you shop!

KEIKI CLUB NEWS

BY JILL SMITH

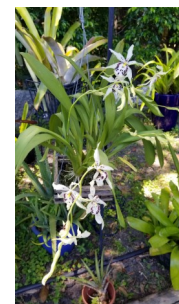
The Keikis and a strong support group gathered at the home of fellow Keiki Bud Romboli on September 15th to take in all the incredible orchids, bromeliads and hundreds of other flourishing plants, trees and vines that festoon his glorious yard! Bud "inherited" the very substantial orchid collection of a neighbor and he has strategically placed all the plants in spots that showcase both the variety and beauty of the blooms. They hang from massive live oaks, creep up trellises, curl around palms and thrive in pots and on mounts. The Keikis could see many different and creative ways that orchids can grow and, although Bud very modestly swears he doesn't know much about orchids, he was able to answer their many questions and it's quite obvious that he's a very competent grower. Everyone enjoyed hot dogs and lots of other goodies, plants from Carolyn Perez's collection were raffled off and a good time was had by all! Thank you, Bud, for being such a gracious host and affording us yet another terrific opportunity to enjoy another fine example of orchid culture!



Photo by Jill Smith

Our next meeting will be a "twofer" and it will be hosted by Lori Cervenec and Dolores Hurst on Sunday, October 21st, time to be determined. They are next door neighbors and former Keikis so it will be great fun to migrate from one yard to the other and learn how they grow their plants! Watch for emails with further details concerning the time and address. Our November meeting (on the 3rd) will be held at the home of Lydia Davis and Bernie Dusch, also "post-grad" Keikis! And on Sunday, December 2nd Scott and Donna Peplin are opening their amazing growing area and new extension to the Keikis for a special holiday cocktail party (not to be confused with the December 9th FLOS holiday party). So mark your calendars for these events and plan to join us for more Keiki fun!

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Photos by Zoe Bejar

OUR ANNUAL SHOW ORCHID PARADISE

Jan. 25-27, 2019



Our show is only 4 months away and this is the time we need to have you help us make the Best Show ever! It is only with your help that this show will be successful and the talk of the town! You, our members and volunteers, are the reason we can continue to create the 2nd largest Orchid show in the continental USA.

How can you help? Here is what you can do....

Pick up show posters and discount tickets at the Auction on October 8th. You can start to distribute these wherever there are people like you. Libraries, retail stores, dry cleaners, hair salons, barber shops, restaurants and bars are all good places. Best to ask permission so the owners don't just toss them out after you leave.

Social media is probably the best venue to share the Information about the show. Tell your Facebook and twitter friends and ask them to tell their friends. The more we talk about our beautiful show with full size floor exhibits, the more people will come and see what you saw the first time you came.

Sell or give away your presale tickets. (Presale tickets may be picked up at the October Auction on October 8.) They look a bit different this year as the War Memorial has upgraded their ticketing system. They are only \$8.00 each, the same as last year, and tickets at the door will be selling for \$15.00. Each member will be given 8 and selling or buying them and giving them away as gifts, entitles you to a free ticket to the Gala Preview Party on Thursday night. You have the

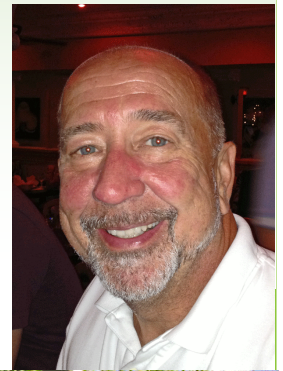


opportunity then to pick from the best and most unusual orchids the vendors have to offer and have a fabulous evening with Music, food and orchid friends!

At the Auction you will have your first opportunity to sign up as a volunteer for the show. Check your calendars so you are ready to commit to the shifts that fit your schedules. We need about 80 members to volunteer so please sign up with me that evening. When you pass the war Memorial, you may see the marquis advertising our show to all driving past. I see it and am so Proud of FLOS !

If you have any questions or need any show information, feel free to contact me directly at

michaelschaberl@comcast.net
or 954-683-9615 This is our show please plan on being a part of it!



FLOS 2018 Show photos

OLIVIER SHARES HIS EXPERIENCES



MORE ON CATASETUM

“Catasetum orchids” is a generic term/family to describe in fact 4 different genera: **Catasetum** is the largest genus with close to 200 species but it also has a huge number of hybrids. They are the most common and easiest to grow.

Cycnoches has less than 40 species but many hybrids. Those are the

showiest flowers of all and among the most beautiful flowers in the orchid world!!! Nicknamed “Swan orchids” for a reason, they put on quite a show! They are tougher to grow as they rot easily. Hybrids are therefore a better choice to start as they are more rot resistant.

Mormodes has approx. 80 species. Depending on who you ask, they are considered extravagant, gorgeous, weird or ugly. They usually have saturated colors with VERY original shapes. They are less common in cultivation and much harder to grow as they rot very easily. Here too, hybrids are a safer bet.

Clowesia is the smallest genus with only 7 recognized species and not many hybrids. They were long considered Catasetums and were not a separate genus. They are easy to grow, have the most flowers in the group and longest lasting but their shapes and colors are more subdued.

The life cycle described in the previous article is true for all but *Cycnoches* which will bloom later in the season, *Mormodes* will typically bloom on leafless bulbs and so do half of the *Clowesias*. To get acquainted with these beautiful orchids you should start with *Catasetums* and a couple of *Cycnoches* hybrids.

Those 4 genera have all been inter bred to form inter generic hybrids whose names are self-explanatory. Some are highly successful while others have not produced any interesting results. Hybridizing is done to improve shape, colors, longevity of flowers, repeat blooms etc... It is basically a way to have “better orchids” (although personally, as a purist, I prefer species or primary hybrids).

Many attempts at hybridizing throughout the orchid world have been abandoned when the result does not improve the qualities of the parents or reduce their defects.

In the *Catasetum* family, there are 3 successful inter-generic hybrids:

CycnoDes (*Cycnoches* X *Mormodes*): gorgeous shapes and deep colors. They usually bloom once in the Summer or Fall then once more when the plant goes dormant. Those are fairly common and highly prized orchids

ClowesEtum (*Clowesia* X *Catasetum*): these are very easy to grow and typically have picked up all the strengths of the parents and shed all the weaknesses

Mormodia (*Mormodes* X *Clowesia*): tend to be easy to grow, very floriferous and bloom late in the season. Their flowers are smaller but there are many of them!

There are a few *Catamodes* (*Catasetum* X *Mormodes*) but the cross is not considered successful as it does not really

improve the qualities of the parents. Other crosses are considered marginal like *Clowenoches* (*Clowesia* X *Cycnoches*) and *Catanoches* (*Catasetum* X *Cycnoches*).

There are also 2 successful inter generic crosses, which combine 3 genera (those names are easy to spot as they usually have a proper name + the addition of the suffix -ARA):

FredclarkeARA

(*Mormodes* X *Clowesia* X *Catasetum*) are many and they are named after the American specialist of *Catasetum* FRED CLARKE. He is the owner of Sunset Valley Orchids and has produced many hybrids over decades. He is the one who hooked me on orchids when he came to FLOS to share his experience during our monthly meeting.

MonnierARA (*Catasetum* X *Cycnoches* X *Mormodes*) has one very famous orchid: “Millenium Magic Witchcraft” which is black and you can usually get one at the Bonnet House show early December as this is often their peak season.

Next month we will talk about some peculiarities of the *Catasetum* world.



Cyc. Cooperii

Photo by Olivier Turina

ORCHIDS - on the SQUARE

Orchid Show & Sale

October 26-28, 2018

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Welcome New Members:
William Hill & Paula Garcia

Winter Holiday Party



FLOS Holiday Party 2016

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
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Entree selections (one for each person):

- _____ Chicken Marsala
- _____ Tenderloin of Beef
- _____ Pan-Seared Tuna
- _____ Vegetarian

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.

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 Events
- click on Holiday Party and follow the directions

Names of members attending:

Total for members _____ (\$40 each)

Names of guests attending :

Total for Guests _____ (\$65 each)

TOTAL _____

People you would like to sit with:

(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
pk@mtwevents.com

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



FLOS Holiday Party 2017



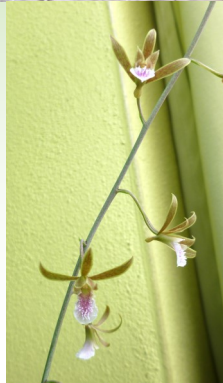
Hugh's Catering photos

THE LITTLE ORCHID THAT COULD

By Kate Donohue

Remember the childhood story about the Little Engine that Could? How it tried and tried and tried that hill?

Two months ago, I noticed that several of the pavers on my covered patio were raising up, one had a small corner piece broken off, and there was a small green shoot emerging. It looked very determined. Curious to see what kind of weed could displace the heavy pavers, I decided to watch what developed. Pretty soon I realized that this was one of the so called “invasive” (naturalized) terrestrial orchids. It grew and grew and bloomed and bloomed, and is now nearly three feet tall. It was nowhere near the edge of the patio, and the pavers had been there for five years. How did it get there?



Curious about this determined little orchid, I asked Rich Ackerman if he knew the name and, of course, he did: *eulophia graminea*, also known as the “Crown Orchid.” He had photos on his phone and knew the history. An Asian native species, *eulophia graminea* has spread widely across the world. First discovered locally in a mulched strip in a parking lot in Miami-Dade in 2007, it was then believed that this was the northern boundary of the orchid. Rich remembers when the first ones were discovered in Broward County. In the June 2008 FLOS newsletter, Dr. Pemberton of Fairchild Tropical Gardens challenged FLOS members to participate in an “Adult Science Project” looking for more examples of this orchid around South Florida. *Eulophia graminea* is now found as far north as southern Georgia, and there seems to be international interest as well, judging by 2016 article in the Irish Orchid Society newsletter. Do they grow there too? They grow in a variety of habitats and conditions and are considered to be quite hardy.

I believe my example predates that 2007 discovery. When I purchased my home in 2008, there was a huge concrete patio on the west side of the house that had been there at least ten years. Between 2012 and 2013, I did some renovations, removing the concrete patio and building a large covered patio in a different location. Trying to make a garden where part of the old patio was, I kept digging up these funny looking small squished-looking oval shaped bulbs with roots attached, at least 50 of them. Had no idea what they were, but figured they were weeds. When a

friend said they were probably an invasive yard orchid that grows around here, I left a few in the ground, but they did nothing; so I eventually tossed them and never saw any more. We never found any examples when doing the massive site preparations for the covered patio and pool deck.

How did this small orchid survive all those years (at least six) under the patio pavers? What made it decide to sprout now? Last week I found another one pushing up the concrete seal against a nearby pillar. Will there be more? Only time will tell, but one thing’s for sure: I REALLY wish the rest of my orchids were so determined to survive!



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 October offerings:

Orchiata Bark, What is Everyone Talking about?

Potting with orchid bark

Tuesday, October 9th, 2018

8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT

GreenHouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Orchid Q&A

Thursday, October 18th, 2018

8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT

West Palm Beach Judging Center is at:

Flamingo Gardens
3750 South Flamingo Road
Davie, Florida, 33330

Bring your plants for nominations before 2:00.

Contact: Chair - Robert Fuchs

Web site: <http://wpbjudging.org/>

Judging takes place at Flamingo Gardens, 3750 S Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330 at 2:00 PM on the fourth Saturday of the month

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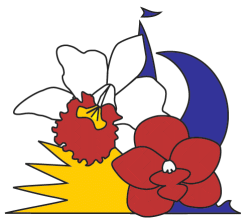
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FORT LAUDERDALE ORCHID SOCIETY

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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

Directions: From I95 take East Oakland Park Blvd. go 2.4 miles, turn left on NE 20th Ave. Or take US-1 (Federal Hwy.) to Oakland Park Blvd. west for two blocks, turn north on NE 20th Ave. Park in the rear of the church which is on the NW corner of Oakland Park Blvd. and NE 20th Ave.

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