



Marin Orchid Society

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Affiliate of the American Orchid Society



MOS March 26, 2024 - Virtual Meeting
7:00 p.m.

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February President's Letter



Happy March MOS Friends

I hope you all remembered to move your clocks back one hour on Sunday. I enjoyed the extra hour of sleep.

Marin Orchid Society did a lovely display of 48 gorgeous plants at POE. And MOS received four awards. We won 2nd place for Best Visiting Society Exhibit, Best Interpretation of Theme, AOS Show Trophy, and the Orchid Digest Trophy. The last two are important because both are discretionary award presented only when the displays are exceptional. These awards are not presented at

every show.

In addition to the awards for the displays, both Lynne and Susan received AOS HCC awards for their plants. Congratulations! There is a list elsewhere in the BB of all the awards received.

I want to thank everyone who brought plants (see elsewhere in this edition of the BB) and to all those who helped with the setup and take down.

I receive donation plants about every other month. If anyone wants some *phalaenopsis* plants, please let me know. Sometimes there are some other types mixed in. In this batch there were a couple of unusually colored phals

but most are white.

Our March meeting will be at Kol Shofar. While we had planned to have the speaker live, he had a change of circumstances so he will present remotely. We'll also have a skills session with Julie Morelli, so please arrive at 6:30..

The venue for our subsequent meetings is still unknown, although we're still looking.

The Show and Tell online links for all the months are elsewhere in this Back Bulb. If you would like to share photos of your lovely plants, please send them to the MOS email. To make them easier to find, please put "Show and Tell" in the subject line. If you send photos for the Show and Tell site, and if you will not be at the meeting to talk about them, please add a short description in the email.

If you'd like to share your plant during the meeting, please feel free to do so. We'd love for you to bring your beautiful plants to the meeting for Show and Tell.

As visitors are always welcome to attend our meetings, please feel free to share the link to the meeting.

I'm waiting to see how many people send me a note saying I was incorrect about the time change.

Ron

March 26 Speaker: Tim Culbertson - "New Directions in Zygopetalums"



Zygopetalums are easy to grow and flowers are vigorous, and have low cultural demands. Many will bloom year-round given plenty of water and warmth. 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 I will 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, you 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. I will be providing plants of a few of the newest, modern, cutting-edge *Zygopetalum* alliance hybrids, from a number of renowned hybridizers featured in the presentation. (Tim will be shipping orchids for the opportunity table).

About the Speaker:

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning it was all about *Paphs*, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 3000. While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in *Paph* breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own. Growing my own babies is a blast.

I have been a judge with the American Orchid Society for nearly 20 years, and have served in various capacities with various orchid societies in California and on the East Coast. I love meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip. I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants.

Tim Culbertson | twculber@gmail.com | 301-641-2556 | Instagram @twculber

About the Meeting:

March 26 - Hybrid & Zoom 7:00 pm
(doors open 6:30 pm) Skill Session 6:40 pm

In-person meetings: Kol Shofar, 215 Blackfield Drive, Tiburon, combined with a Virtual Zoom Meeting.

Time: March Meeting 7:00 pm PST. Doors open 6:30 p.m. Those participating through Zoom - PLEASE join the Zoom meeting well ahead of time so that you are settled in. To join Zoom Meeting click here: [MOS March Zoom Meeting](#)

Member Skill's Session: March 26 - Julie Morelli -"Potting Neofinetia in Japanese Moss Mounds" 6:40 p.m.

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Meeting ID: 821 5873 3163

Local Number

AOS Corner March 2024

The 2024 Spring
Members Meeting will be
held April 3rd through
6th in Apopka, Florida

*Make Plans to Join Us in our next In-Person
Members Meeting next Spring. It will be held in
conjunction with the Apopka International Orchid
Festival and the International Phalaenopsis Alliance.*

*Registration information and all other details will be
available soon!*



2024 AOS Spring Members Meeting - Save the Date!

Make plans to join us at the 2024 AOS Spring Members Meeting which will be held in Apopka, FL in conjunction with the Apopka International Orchid Festival and the International Phalaenopsis Alliance. More information, and event and hotel registration available on-line at American Orchid Society's website.

MONTHLY AOS ORCHID JUDGINGS NEAR YOU:

Pacific Central Judging Center hosts 2 monthly: The first Tuesday evening (4/2/24), during the regular SFOS monthly meeting at the Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park AND the third Saturday 4/20 Filoli Historic House & Garden, 86 Canada Road, Woodside CA. Questions? Contact James Heilig, heiligja@msu.edu

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center (CSNJC) hosts 2 monthly - **the first Wednesday evening (4/3/24 - 7:00 pm)** during the regular SCOS monthly meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave, Sacramento. **AND the third Sunday (4/21/24 - 9:00 am)** at Dueling Dogs Brewing Company, 3030 Barret Park Lane, Lincoln, CA. (near Alan and Dave's nursery... make an appointment for a visit!) Questions? Contact Lynne Murrell: lynne.murrell@outlook.com
Enjoy the Spring shows and sales.

Lynne Murrell
Your AOS Representative

Marin Ochid Society takes home Numerous Trophies at recent Pacific Orchid Exposition,

San Francisco



Marin Orchid Society Awards 2024
American Orchid Society Show Trophy
Orchid Digest Show Trophy
Best Interpretation of show Trophy (\$500)
Best Exhibit by Visiting Orchid Society (2nd place \$250)

Thank you to Creative Director Naoko Nojiri and others for their Contributions



Thank you to members who submitted their orchids to POE: Susan Anderson, Lynne Murrell, Tom Pickford, Paul Chim, Terumi Leinow, Maria Gregoriev



Standing ovation to our Creative Display Designer Naoko Nojiri for MOS receiving so many awards and Ron Ludwig for providing his antique clocks plus collaborative suggestions from Debra & Lynne.



Congratulations to Susan Anderson for winning SFOS Cultural Award for *Denrochilum tennellum* AM/AOS plus 3 Blue, 4 Red and 1 White ribbon. Lynne Murrell, AM/AOS for *Coelogne Dendrochilum Yuccafolia*

Thank you to Set Up and Take Down Helpers



Special thanks to Lynne Murrell for "dressing the orchids" and Susan Anderson for creatively displaying/showcasing the MOS 48 plants!



Thank you to Set up and Take Down Crew: Naoko Nojiri, Ron Ludwig, Maria Gregoriev, Will Hinshaw, Josette Castagne-Kwok, Rosemary Bruckner



Thank you to Maria Gregoriev and Rosemary Bruckner photographers of MOS at POE.

March Show & Tell



Show and Tell

Here are links to past few months of MOS Members Show & Tell. Send submission to marin.orchids@gmail.com Photos are from February meeting.

2024

[January Show & Tell](#)

[February Show & Tell](#)

[March Show & Tell](#)

[MOS at POE 2024](#)

2023

[January Show & Tell](#)

[February Show & Tell](#)

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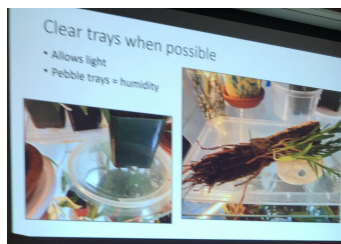
[November Show & Tell](#)

Photographer Alica Taylor S&T, Maria Gregoriev &

Rosemary Bruckner, POE



Do you have an orchid related helpful tip to share with Members?



At the February 27 we introduced MOS Member's Skill's session prior to the meeting. Alicia Taylor presented on "Building an Ikea Greenhouse for Orchids".

We encourage MOS members to PLEASE share your expertise at future meeting. Please [sign up here](#) to give a 20 minute presentation before the meeting starts. Demos will start at approximately 6:40 pm, ahead of the 7 pm start time for the meeting, and demos will also be recorded. For meetings that have a demonstration, reminders will be sent prior to the meeting so that members arrive early to participate.

March Skill's Session: "Potting Neofinetia in Japanese Moss Mounds" by Julie Morelli.

Upcoming Orchids Shows
Not to be Missed! Sonoma County Orchid Show



Let's support our Sonoma County orchid enthusiasts by attending this great show with numerous vendors. I especially enjoy the fabulous "deals" at the member's table where some award winning member's (i.e. MOS member & SCOS President Susan Anderson), contribute some unique orchids. Also, this is the place to stock up on orchid supplies/materials.

Terumi Leinow, Back Bulb Editor



Sacramento Orchid Society Orchid's Jubilee
 April 12, 13, 14, 2024
 Carmichael Elk's Lodge
 5631 Cypress Avenue
 Carmichael, CA





California Orchids Sale

Saturday, April 13, 9 am - 4 pm

Plants from Mary Nisbet's personal collection

Our of flower Orchids, Seedlings, large Bromeliads, Tollandias and
Bird's Nest Ferns Everything 20% off

515 Aspen Road, Bolinas, CA

Contact: 415 713 0203



RENEW YOUR 2024 MOS Membership

We enjoy you as a member of The Marin Orchid Society. Our members are the best; friendly, knowledgeable, and willing to share and to volunteer for MOS activities.

It is time to renew your membership for 2024. Marin Orchid Society membership is \$25 per household per year. MOS activities each year include: 10 meetings (7 or 8 of which feature great speakers, one which is devoted to our members), our Holiday Party and our member summer BBQ, plus one auction with great deals on orchids and other treasures.

Beyond that, we create award-winning displays at the Pacific Orchid Exposition and at the Marin County Fair. These are great opportunities for current members to display your orchids to huge crowds.

You can renew in a couple of ways:

- Mail your check, made out to "Marin Orchid Society", to Naoko Nojiri at: Marin Orchid Society, PO Box 14, Larkspur, CA 94977.
- Or you can do it online by going to: [click here - Marin Orchid Society Membership Form](#) Simply complete the form and mail it in.

Marin Orchid Society is a 501(c)3 organization so some portion of your membership (and donations to MOS) may be tax deductible (please check tax regulations).

Thank you for being an MOS member. We will see you at upcoming MOS events.



SOME NURSERIES FOR YOUR ORCHID SHOPPING PLEASURE THAT ARE OPEN CERTAIN DAYS OF THE WEEK, BY APPOINTMENT ONLY OR TO ORDER ON LINE.

TELEPHONE OR EMAIL TO REQUEST DETAILS:

Brookside Orchids, 2718B Alpine Rd,
Menlo Park, CA
brookside-orchids.com 650 854 3711

Golden Gate Orchids, 225 Velasco
Ave., San Francisco, CA
tmperlite@gmail.com 415 467 3737

Shelldance Orchid Gardens, 2000
Hwy 1, Pacifica, CA
shelldance.com 650 355 4845

For supplies: Flori-Culture Orchid
Supplies, 7621 Fair Oaks Blvd.,
Carmichael
flori-culture 916 333 4885



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D&D Flowers, 169 First Ave., Daly
City, CA
d.olivas@comcast.net 925 969 1246

Gold Country Orchids, 390 Big Ben
Rd, Lincoln, CA
gcorchids@aol.com 916 645 8600

Paph Paradise, 390 Big Ben Rd.,
Lincoln, CA
paphparadise.com 209 727 5265



MOS Board of Directors - Join Us!

President - Ron Ludwig, Treasurer - Naoko Nojiri, Vice President, Alicia A Taylor, Secretary - Cathy Thompson, Members at Large - Carolyn Fisher, Terumi Leinow. You may reach the MOS Board by calling: 415-895-0667.

Next Board meeting is April 4, 2024, Virtual Zoom meeting, 7:00 pm. Members are welcome to attend with advance notice. Contact Ron for details.



The (Orchid) Doctor Is In!

- Have a problem plant, or maybe just need a little advice on which orchids might grow well

in your conditions, when to water, or why your orchid just will not bloom?

- Ask the Doctor! Just send us an email with your orchid questions. Simply write "Orchid Doctor" in the subject line of your email: marin.orchids@gmail.com.





Useful Resources for Orchid Lovers

Useful Links:

- [Marin Orchid Society](#)
- [American Orchid Society](#)
- [San Francisco Orchid Society](#)
- [Online Orchid Species Identification](#)
- [California Sierra Nevada Judging Center](#)

American Orchid Society: AOS.org

- You may download a beginner's guide to growing orchids.
- Membership is inexpensive--digital membership is available--and includes online seminars and more.
- AOS Judging Centers Info and Locations- [AOS Judging Centers Nearby](#)



Marin Orchid Society Purpose and Vision

The purpose of the Marin Orchid Society, our Mission and Vision, is:

- To provide support for those having common interests in the appreciation and culture of orchid plants, to broaden their interests and improve their knowledge
- To acquire and distribute to the members practical and scientific information about the collection, culture and propagation of orchids
- To arrange the dissemination of information through exhibits, lectures, access to publications, and any other means, for the encouragement of orchid growing
- To cooperate in and take part in activities of other Societies with purposes similar to those of this Society.



2024 Marin Orchid Society Calendar

March 26: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker, Tim Culbertson
April 23: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker TBD
May 28: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker TBD
June 25: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker, TBD
July 23: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker, TBD
August: No regular meeting - Summer Get-Together
September 24: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Speaker, TBD
October 24: Auction Night
November 26: Member's Show & Tell
December: No regular Meeting, Holiday Luncheon

Join or Renew Your
Membership



OTHER ORCHID SOCIETIES' MEETINGS

First Monday: Carmel Orchid Society meeting; The First Presbyterian Church, 501 El Dorado Street, Monterey; [Carmel Orchid Society](#)

First Tuesday: San Francisco Orchid Society meeting; San Francisco County Fair Building, Golden Gate Park, 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way; [San Francisco Orchid Society](#)

First Wednesday: Sacramento Orchid Society meeting; Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave. (921-0569), Sacramento; www.sacramentoorchids.org.

First Wednesday: Santa Maria Orchid Society meeting; Veterans' Memorial Center, 313 W. Tunnell Street, Santa Maria.

Second Tuesday: Sonoma County Orchid Society meeting; Veterans Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa (across from the Fairgrounds) [Sonoma County Orchid Society](#)

Second Tuesday: Monterey Bay Orchid Society meeting; Lincoln Ave Presbyterian Church, 536 Lincoln Avenue, Salinas; (831) 663-3953

Third Monday: Orchid Society of California; Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue Oakland; [California Orchid Society](#)

Third Tuesday: Coastal Valley Orchid Society; Lompoc, CA; [Coastal Valley Orchid Society](#)

Third Friday: Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers meeting; San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo; Weegie Caughlan at goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com.

Second Friday: Napa Valley Orchid Society; 7:00 pm at Napa Senior Activities Center 1500 Jefferson St. Napa CA 94558. www.nv-os.org

Fourth Friday: Peninsula Orchid Society, 7:00 pm, San Mateo Garden Center,
605 Parkside Way, San Mateo. [Peninsula Orchid Society](#)

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