



Marin Orchid Society

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Affiliate of the American Orchid Society



MOS May 28, 2024 - In Person & Virtual Meeting
7:00 p.m.

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May President's Letter



Happy May MOS Friends

We are back to Kol Shofar. However, it is not available for our July meeting. The venue for our July meeting is still unknown - stay tuned.

I just returned from SoCal after spending the weekend celebrating my grandson's 9th birthday. This was my first trip to SoCal since Christmas. I went to his baseball game; the kid can really whack a ball. I also spent time at one of the botanical gardens. Great views with a lot of the local vegetation.

While I was away my indoor plants all went into the greenhouse. Some, like the large vanda, needed to go out there anyway. I'm hoping the plants benefited from the increased humidity and the companionship of the older plants.

Perhaps the guest plants received a bit of incentive from the 6 or so plants that are currently blooming in the greenhouse. I hope to get some photos for Show 'n Tell. I'm certain the blooms will not last until the next meeting. Tomorrow I'll repatriate the blooming plants and those that need care back into the house.

All this blooming going on is the result of the recent nice weather . One

unfortunate result however, is that the *Laelia* I'd hoped would be ready for the Marin County Fair will likely be well out of bloom by then as will the other current greenhouse blooms.

So, having broached the subject, we will once again do a display and several talks at the Fair this year. Our display last year was very popular. I'm hoping that this year we can surpass last year's offering. Please start prepping your plants by ensuring they are clean and lovely. Next month we'll solicit for plants for the display.

By the way, I need somebody, or somebodies, to present two talks on 4th July. I have another obligation for that day. Please let me know if you can speak this day. You'll get free entry to the Fair and perhaps free parking.

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 the photos 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 to the photo in the email.

And, 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.

Ron

May 28 Speaker: Carol Klonowski Vandaceous Orchid Breeding



Carol Klonowski has been growing orchids since the 1980's when a friend in Berkeley, California, gave her a cattleya orchid and it bloomed out with three big, dark lavender flowers and an intoxicating fragrance. She built an entire greenhouse in her backyard to accommodate the precious plant, which only led her to buy more orchids. Then another friend gave her a gift membership to the Orchid Society of California and it's been a serious hobby ever since. She has traveled the world to speak about, judge, discover and buy orchids.

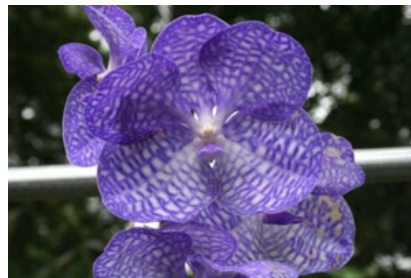
Carol has served as Director, Vice President, and President of the Orchid Society of California for most of the past two decades and is currently a Fully Accredited Judge with the American Orchid Society in the California Sierra Nevada Judging Center.

Vandaceous Orchid Breeding

Carol's talk on the latest developments in *vandaceous* orchid breeding stems from a fascination not only with new species in the *Vanda Alliance* but also improved versions of foundation species used in older crosses. Together, the two groups are producing new and exciting crosses that every orchid grower should consider adding to their collection.

With recent changes in the taxonomy within the *Vanda Alliance*, you may be surprised at what cool-growing orchids now reside under the '*Vanda*' name, as well as redefinitions of many well-known intergeneric names.

(Carol will likely be supplying *vandaceous* orchids from Hawai'i for the opportunity table!)



**Marin Orchid Society, Tuesday, May 28 - Hybrid Meeting (In-Person & Zoom)
7:00 p.m. (doors open 6:30 p.m.)**

We are back at Kol Shofar, 215 Blackfield Drive, Tiburon.

Time: May Meeting - 7:00 pm. 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 May Zoom Meeting](#)

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AOS Corner April 2024

• Exclusive Savings on Publications, Plants, Supplies, and More



AOS members receive exclusive discounts from popular orchid vendors (over 50) on plants, supplies and more.

AOS offer **Member Benefits** which you may not know about, or have not yet tried. Go to the bottom of the AOS website and click on Orchid Marketplace, to see the special offers, and discounts for AOS members.



Upcoming AOS Webinars - these very informative Webinars are excellent learning opportunities, and they are FREE to Members...but you must go to the AOS website to pre-register, so the AOS can send you the link to the Webinar(s) you choose. Click here: [AOS Webinar](#)



**Take a Trip to Taiwan, the
World Orchid Conference with
Carol Klonowski**

Carol Klonowski



Thursday, May 16th, 2024
8:30 pm EST EST

Carol takes us to Taiwan for the 2024
World Orchid Conference, and the TOGA
show, occurring together for the first time.

MONTHLY AOS ORCHID JUDGINGS NEAR YOU:

Pacific Central Judging Center hosts 2 monthly: The first Tuesday evening (5/7/24), during the regular SFOS monthly meeting at the Hall of Flowers, Golden Gate Park. The 3rd Saturday of each month, **May 18**, at 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 (5/1/24 - 7:00 pm)** during the regular SCOS monthly meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave, Sacramento. AND **the third Sunday (5/19/24 - 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

Wishing you a springtime filled with your favorite orchids ... and some new ones too!

Lynne Murrell
Your AOS Representative

April Speaker, Tanya Lam



We enjoyed learning about Long Lasting and Frequently Blooming Orchid Species in Tanya's April presentation. She presented an alphabetical list, identifying L - long lasting, S - successive blooms and X for multiple blooms. MOS members received a link to the recording to view at leisure.



A Little Bit of History - Orchid Show 1915



Step back in time to an Orchid Show at the 1915 Pan Pacific International Exhibition inside the Philippine Pavilion.

Special thanks to the San Francisco Public Library for allowing reposting of this photo.

May Show & Tell

Show and Tell

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

2024

[January Show & Tell](#)



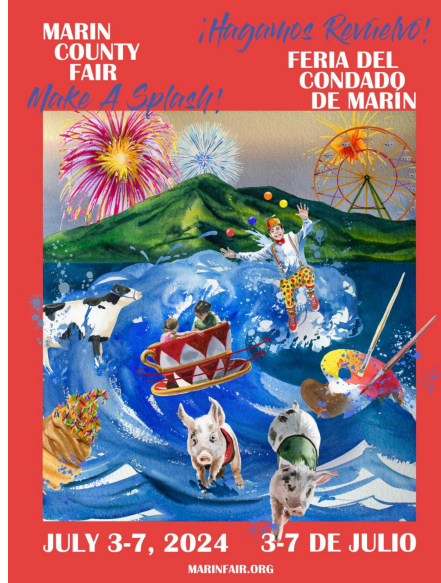
February Show & Tell
March Show & Tell
MOS at POE 2024
April Show & Tell
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June Show & Tell
July Show & Tell
September Show & Tell
October Show & Tell
November Show & Tell



**MOS Members -Get Your Orchids Ready
for the Marin County Fair, July 3-7, 2024**



The Marin Orchid Society, will once again be exhibiting member orchids at the upcoming County Fair, July 3-7. We proved to be a popular hit last year. Ron Ludwig, Patricia Olsen and Barbara Herrod offered daily workshops some of which were standing room only!

More details to follow in June Back Bulb. We look forward to member participation.



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 June 6, 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

May 28: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Carol Klonowski
June 25: In-Person and Virtual Meeting, Dave Sorokowski
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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