



MALIBU ORCHID SOCIETY

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President's Message:

Annual Awards

Georg and Gerlinde Stelzner were awarded the largest number of ribbons during 2010 for the best plants displayed at our monthly meetings, with a total of 140 ribbons. That is almost 13 per month. Following close behind were Ed Saraffian, Birute Vileisis, Karen Smith and Scott Barth. Winner of the Outdoor Growers Trophy is again the Stelznerns with 17 awards. Scott Barth followed close behind.

One of the most pleasant tasks of the President is his ability to award other members for their contribution to the Society and its membership. This is a volunteer organization, which functions only with the effort of its many members to create a vibrant and exciting organization.

For the year 2010, the AOS Certificates are awarded to Falguni Trieu and Rabinder Sekhon. Falguni is a very dedicated and enthusiastic member who has helped the Society in many ways, most recently by writing and disseminating our monthly newsletter, a vital service to the membership. Rabinder has done an excellent job as Treasurer and most recently moved our website to a new host and created a totally new and impressive format for our site.

The Diamond Award from the Orchid Digest goes to Barton Mozlin.

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February MOS MEETING

Tuesday February 15th

Pacific Palisades Woman's Club

901 Haverford Avenue

Pacific Palisades

Fred Clarke

**"Everything You Wanted to Know
about Bulbophyllums"**

Fred Clark is well known in the orchid world as one of most prominent and most innovative hybridizers and growers in California. He has been growing orchids for 28 years and has been hybridizing for 18 of those years. Fred has had enormous success with major breakthroughs in the hybridizing of Catasetums, Cycnoches and Mormodes. He is famous for his hybrid genus Fredclarkeara After Dark, "Black is Black" AM/AOS, the first true black orchid that was on the cover of the spring 2005 edition of Orchid Digest. Highly in demand as a speaker because of his clear and informative presentations, Fred Clarke is also an AOS judge.

Bulbophyllums can be justifiably placed into the weird and wonderful category of orchids. As Rebecca Northen noted (in Home Orchid Growing), this group of orchids includes over 2000 species among

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which are found some of the most fantastic orchids. Some have massive flowers while others have flowers that are so tiny they can be truly appreciated only with a magnifying glass. Some are fragrant while others give off an overpowering stench. David Banks (in Growing Orchids) observed that often the flowers of this genus are very un-orchid-like. Most of the species have mobile lips and they are highly specialized to attract specific pollinators. Fred's talk will show that "Bulbos" are delightful for their curiously shaped flowers and are orchid oddities worth growing. At his **Sunset Valley Orchids** nursery, located in Vista, CA, Fred Clarke focuses primarily on the development of orchids for Southern California outdoor-growing conditions. Fred's philosophy is to breed for award quality orchid plants by focusing on two things: the development of superior flowers and for vigorous, compact growing plants. Selection for vigorous plant growth starts in the lab and continues through to maturity; only the most vigorous plants are moved along. At Fred's 20,000 sq. ft. **Sunset Valley Orchids** nursery, they only sell well-grown plants from seed: <http://www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com/> At our meeting, Fred will have a number of specially hybridized plants available for sale to members. If there is a special orchid that you would like Fred to bring for his sale table, let him know in plenty of time. His email address: **Fred Clarke** <fred.clarke@att.net>. If MOS members pre-order they will receive a 10% discount. He is also willing to bring up 'Kiwi Bark' if any is needed. It is the best quality he has seen in years and it is \$20 a bag in small, medium, or large bark size in 50 liter bags. Please join us for this not to be missed special orchid evening.



Birute Anne Vileisis







 A Pre-Meeting Dinner will be held at on 



 February 15th, 2011 at 5:30 pm. 



 Tivoli Cafe 



 15306 Sunset Blvd. 


 Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 

 There is no need to call to reserve a seat 

 at the MOS table. Plan to come and 

 meet your MOS friends for a dinner be- 

 fore the meeting. 



California orchid Events

February, 2011

February 11, 12 & 13, Malihini Orchid Society Show and Sale 7pm - 9pm Cupertino Square, Cupertino. Free Admission; AOS and CSA Judged Event.

February 12, AOS Pacific South Regional Judging, 10am at The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens, in the Huntington Botanical Center, Lower Level.

February 18, Orchid Odyssey 10am – 2pm San Diego Zoo. The Zoo’s orchid greenhouse is open to the public.

February 19-20, Gardena Cymbidium Club Orchid Show & Sale 10:30am - 5pm Ken Nakaoka Community Center. Free Admission & Parking

March 2011

March 5-6 - South Bay Orchid Society Show, Torrance Cultural Arts Center, 3330 Civic Center Dr., Torrance, CA. Contact: Marla Corey; (310) 707-7097; marla-corey@sbcglobal.net.

March 11-13 - Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, 3400 Calle Read, Santa Barbara, CA. Contact: Lauris Rose, 1251 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara, CA 93111; (805) 967-1312; sborchidshow@gmail.com.

March 12-13 - Central California Orchid Society Show, Sierra Vista Mall, 1050 Shaw Ave., Clovis, CA. Contact: Mary Crotts, 1126 W. Harvard Ave., Fresno, CA 93705; (559) 264-7517; mmcrotts@comcast.net.

March 12 Cymbidium Congress: 8:30am - 4:30pm Adams Elementary School Auditorium, 2701 Las Positas Road Santa Barbara, CA 93105

March 18-20 - Santa Clara Orchid Society Show and Sale, Westgate Mall, 1600 Saratoga Ave., San Jose, CA. Contact: Timothy Culbertson, 1357 Phelps Ave. #4, San Jose, CA 95117; (301) 641-2556

March 25-27 - San Diego County Orchid Society Show, Scottish Rite Event Center, 1895 Camino Del Rio S, San Diego, CA. Contact: Dave hoffmaster, 7966 Sitio Nispero, Carlsbad, CA 92009; (760) 529-2947; davehoff5@yahoo.com.



MOS Ribbon Awards

	TOTAL	PLACE	OUTDOOR	PLACE
Scott Barth	51	5th	11	2nd
Beverly Christensen	5			
Chenoa Ellis	2			
John Delfino	3			
Yvonne Crandell	4			
Alice Hall	13	8		
K & M Lovelady	38	6th		
Summer Lieu	8		1	
Marianne Lu	9		2	
John Mebesser	5			
Angela Niu	2		2	
Milo Reidel	9			
Annette Rossilli	27	7	3	
Coral Ruge	4			
Ed Saraffian	96	2nd	5	3rd
Phillip Fetchko	8			
Grafton Tanquary	7			
Karen Smith	57	4th	4	
Georg & Gerlinde Stelzner	140	1st	17	1st
Birute Viliešis	59	3rd	2	

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8:30am - 4:30pm

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Refreshments:

Members whose last names fall within **Amini thru Cootz** are on the Refreshment Committee this month. Please bring a plate of snacks / cookies / fruit that can be eaten as finger food. If you are on the list this month, please remember that you are responsible for making coffee, serving, cleanup, etc.

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Barton has been a contributing member of the Society for many years, if not decades. He has run the Silent Auction table for as long as I can remember and always goes out of his way to help newer and less knowledgeable growers. His recognition is long overdue.

The Society's highest award, the Marsh Trophy, is awarded to Birute Vileisis. Birute is our backbone. She has organized our excellent speaker series and our annual garden tour for several years. On top of that, she has designed and organized our displays both in Santa Barbara and at the fall show at the Huntington.

Congratulations to all and many thanks from the Society.

MOS Annual Dues are Due January 1

If you have not already paid your annual dues, please mail them to Edna Brock, 763 Wildomar Street, Pacific Palisades, CA 90272 or bring them to the February meeting. The dues are \$35 for an individual and \$45 for two individuals at the same address.

If you wish to receive your newsletter via the Postal Service, there is an additional charge of \$10.

Last year, the Board established the category of Patron Member, for those who contribute \$100 or more in addition to their regular membership. Eight of you made this very important contribution to our operating costs. We thank you and hope that you and others can show your appreciation by becoming a Patron this year.

Stratton Tanquary

Santa Barbara International

Orchid Show

The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show will be held on Friday, Saturday and Sunday March 11, 12 and 13. This is the 66th anniversary of the show, and the theme is "Get Your Kicks out of Orchids".

Our regular meeting will be the **Tuesday immediately preceding the show, March 8, the second Tuesday of the month.**

Plants

We will need about 140 blooming plants.

1. Bring your plants to the meeting on March 8 or take them to Santa Barbara on Wednesday morning, the 9th. If you drive them up yourself, the plants should be at the Fairgrounds before 11:00 am, preferably by 10:00.

2. Please send a list of your plants' correct names to Alice Hall by Saturday, March 5, so she can make the identification tags for them.

Alice Hall

243 Oak Street, #4

Santa Monica, CA 90405

alice@ashphoto.com

3. Also, kindly provide a list of your plants with the plants that you lend for display. If you come to Santa Barbara on Sunday to take home your plants after the show closes at 5:00 pm, bring the list again, so we can check off the plants as we remove them from the display. This will ensure that you get back all of your plants.

4. If you will be bringing any large or hanging plants, please tell Birute. If you have a stand on which to hang your plant, please bring it.

5. Your plants must be:

Clean, free of insects, staked, moist, and properly identified. Plants without proper identification cannot be used in the show. Make certain to water your plants

thoroughly the day before.

In addition, mark the pots with your name, telephone number and correct name of the plants. The easiest way is to write this info on a piece of masking tape and stick it on the pot. We need the name, in case the plant's ID tag is lost.

Please code all your plants in some way, so that we can easily identify that they are yours. Do so by using colored yarn, tape, large stickers or anything that will make them stand out from a distance.



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January 18, 2011

Judge - Scott Barth

CYMBIDIUM

1st Cym. Mimi Rogers 'Lucifer'

G. & G. Stelzner

1st Cym. Queen of Hearts 'red beauty'

Milo Reidel

2nd Cym. Boogie Woogie

Milo Reidel

DENDROBIUM

1st Den. Roy Tokunaga

G. & G. Stelzner

EPIDENDRUM

GoldEpi. Quisayanum

G. & G. Stelzner

1st Epi Polybulbum

G. & G. Stelzner

1st Epicat Rene Marqus 'Tyler'

K. & M. Lovelady

CATTLEYA

GoldCat. Ranger Six x Hawaiian Jewel 'Snow Queen' x Ruth Gee 'Gay Gay'

Birute Vilieisis

1st Pot. Shin Shiang 'Diamond'

Birute Vileisis

ONCIDIUM/ODONT.

2nd Odont. Violet Von Holmes

G. & G. Stelzner

OUTDOOR GROWN

Gold L. Anceps 'Beauty'

G. & G. Stelzner

MINI SPECIES

1st Max. Shunkeana

PHALAENOPSIS

None

PAPHIOPEDALUM

1st Paph. Negrito 'Cherry Ripe'

John Delfino

2nd Paph. Freckles 'Winter Tiger'

G. & G. Stelzner

ANGRAECIDS

None

OTHER

GoldFrerikara After Dark x Black Pearl

Angela Nice

VANDA

None

SPECIES

1st Max. Tonsbergii 'Sonoma'

Karen Smith

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