# THE SHEATH

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Peninsula Orchid Society
Auction

Saturday, September 15, 2018
1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way
San Mateo, CA 94543

The auction is open to everyone! There will be hundreds of orchids available, often at bargain prices. Lots of awarded or award quality plants will be offered. Many orchids will be in bud or bloom. Rare species, exotic hybrids, and old favorites will all be up for bid. There will be plants for every budget, all growing conditions and all skill levels.

The POS Auction is almost here. The auction is always fun with bargains and rarities to be had. Don't miss it!

# What should you do to prepare?

- **Spread the word:** There is still plenty of time to attract more bidders to the auction. In addition to word of mouth, we highly recommend the Nextdoor website (**nextdoor.com**) as a way to inform your neighbors about this event. If you are not on it already, Nextdoor is easy to use. Just sign up online and you will have access to information that pertains to your local area (events, road construction, crime, garage sales, etc.). Just cut and paste the auction information in bold below and share it with your neighbors.
- Remember, new participants lead to new members, which results in a thriving orchid society.
- **Come prepared:** In addition to your wallet and any plants you will be entering, please consider bringing:
  - o Cardboard boxes to carry your winnings home
  - o Snacks or drinks to share with your fellow bidders
- **Volunteer:** We could use your help starting at 10:00 a.m. Saturday morning, September 15, no experience required. Volunteers please park in the Garden Center parking lot. Our plan is to move our cars 15 minutes before the start of the auction to the very nearby Chanteloup Field parking lot on Alameda de las Pulgas to make room for bidders.

#### Auction Timetable

- 10:00 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. Plant entry (Get there early!)
- 11:30a.m. onward Bidder registration.
  12:30 p.m. to 1:00 p.m. Auction preview
- 1:00 p.m. to 5:00 p.m. (or until all the plants are gone) Auction

Plant entry starts at 10:00 a.m. and runs through 12:30 p.m. in the courtyard of the San Mateo Garden Center. Get there early! POS members may bring up to 10 plants to sell for themselves. The society keeps 25% of the auction sales price and takes care of paying the sales tax. Members and non-members may also donate as many plants as they wish, with the society receiving 100% of the sales price. This is one of our two main sources of operating funds for the year. Your donation is appreciated and tax deductible since POS is a registered 501(c)(3) non-profit organization.

At 11:30 a.m., bidder registration begins. The registration desk is toward the side of the room near the windows. Write your name (and email address if not a POS member) on the sign-up sheet on the desk and the person working there will give you a bidding paddle. Pretty simple!

Everyone, members, your neighbors, your friends, your co-workers or people just passing by are welcome to participate in bidding. Please tell everyone about the auction!



#### Member News

# September Birthdays

Ann Aine, Sandra Charles, Phyllis Chim, Angelique Fry, Mary Gerritsen, Chen-Hao Hsu, Amy Jacobsen, Mary Jensen, David Kell, Ashley Langston, Dennis Olivas, Jim Puzar, Lauren Shein, Ann Stuart, Al Testa, Joanne Volponi, Todd Wenderski

New members Dennis Truffa, Mary Kunitake

#### 2019 Show and Sale

January 26-27, 2019

Do you have an idea for the theme for our January 2019 show? Please send it to <u>chaunie.langland@earthlink.net</u>

The 2019 show committee is forming. Chaunie Langland has volunteered to be show chair again this year. Most of the work of the show committee is organizing before the show. A lot of this work is just as easily done during the summer and early fall as later in the year. Now would be an excellent time to volunteer to become one of the show chairpersons. Mike Drilling has already volunteered to be the Vendor chair and started contacting vendors in June. Chair person positions available as of the time this was written are: hospitality (kitchen), plant hotel, raffle table, set-up, security, admissions, advertising, presentations, and plant placement. If you are the chair person you are only responsible for organizing your area - you do not have to work in your area during the entire show time, and if you can get your volunteers lined up and trained you don't even need to come to the show if you have other places you have to be.

Another position that needs to be filled is 2020 potential show chair. Ideally the show chair has worked in several of the other chair positions and so understands how the show works. When someone without experience gets roped into being the show chair because no one else will do it, we tend to have a rough show. The first year Chaunie was show chair she relied on a lot of help and advice from Rene Biggs, then took it on again the next year to try to do a better job. It would be good if someone(s) would step up to learn the show chair job for next year, because no one does this job three years in a row so there will be a different show chair in 2020!

A little about each position:

Hospitality - has food out for lunch and dinner on Friday, breakfast and lunch on Saturday and

breakfast, lunch and dinner on Sunday. The chair doesn't have to do all this and there is absolutely no requirement that anyone working in the kitchen do any cooking. Everything can be purchased ready to eat. You will have a budget to work with.

Plant Hotel - open from 10 AM to 5 PM both days, store the plants for show attendees while they visit the show or continue shopping, help people get their purchases out to their cars if they need assistance. Arrange for volunteers to cover the shifts and make sure we advertise in The Sheath in December and January for boxes and newspaper.

Raffle Table - collect a plant from each vendor and arrange attractively for the raffles each day. If you have time to get other donations for the baskets great - if not, A-OK. Up to you how you want to do it. Arrange for volunteers to sell raffle tickets during the show 10 AM to 4 PM Saturday and 10 AM to 3 PM Sunday.

**Set-up** - interface with the show site to arrange table set-up (we have the floor plan from previous years), round up volunteers, make sure either Mike Rector or Bill Weaver are available to set the lights up, arrange to get the show equipment from the storage unit to the show on Friday morning before set-up begins.

**Security** - schedule volunteers to cover the show area and exit door during the show - also give them a little training. 10 AM - 5 PM Saturday and Sunday.

Admissions - schedule volunteers to take admissions money, answer questions, and find out how the guests heard about the show. 9:45 AM - 4:30 PM Saturday and Sunday.

Advertising - help determine whether we can afford Bay Area News Groups advertising, design or have someone design the Facebook ad, design or have someone design the show poster, post information on many free sites on line, have the posters and postcards printed by the end of October.

**Presentations** - we always provide 4 presentations on Saturday and 3 or 4 on Sunday for show attendees. It is not difficult to find volunteers to make these presentations. Your job is to request that people (vendors and members) give presentations, schedule them at a time they prefer and get the information to the webmaster (Chaunie) and the newletter editor (Isis) by mid December.

**Plant placement** - on Friday, plant entry day, carry the plants from the entry table and arrange the plants on the main show tables. This requires rethinking and rearranging during the day and early evening as there is no way to anticipate what types of orchids will be coming in.

Two more things - there is no requirement that only one person be the chair of each responsibility. There is no reason we couldn't have different hospitality chair for each day, or for each meal

type - you would just need to plan together. Or we could have one hospitality chair and have different people responsible for different kitchen responsibilities. Also, remember that you don't have to do all of the work organizing your area, you can form a team with other POS members and divide up the responsibilities. You just need to be willing talk to or call or email people and get them to join you - many people with help out if they are given a little encouragement. It's all good!

# Meeting Refreshments



We appreciate and want to thank anyone who brings snacks to our POS meetings. However, all POS members are also expected to help out with refreshments, setup and cleanup at monthly meetings based upon the first letter of your last name.

Check the calendar below for the monthly meeting corresponding to your last name.

#### For EXAMPLE:

Members whose last name starts with the letter range A - B would bring snacks to the meeting in **January**.

Please bring snacks such as baked goods, nuts, fruit or veggie sticks, crackers & cheese for the next meeting. A jar/can of nuts, a pound or two of fruit (dried or fresh) or cheese, a dozen cookies, or a box or two of crackers is an appropriate amount.

And <u>everyone</u> who brings snacks should remember to ask the folks at the opportunity table for an extra opportunity table ticket, regardless of your last name!

#### 2018 Refreshment Calendar:

**Sep: R**Oct: S - V
Nov: W - 7

Dec Potluck: Everyone

Jan 2019: A - B



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# **Upcoming Orchid Events**

# September 15, 2018

Peninsula Orchid Society Auction
San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA
12:30pm – plant preview
1pm – bidding starts
See attached auction information packet and flyer.

#### Sat. Sept 22, 2018

Marron Honigman Orchid Collection Sale 2351 Alto Ave. Half Moon Bay, CA 9AM-2PM

Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers are presenting the Marron Honigman Orchid Collection for sale, consisting of over 800 high quality Cymbidiums. Marron was an avid collector of the best of the best when it came to Orchids, especially Cymbidiums. The plants have been cleaned and sprayed and many have been repotted and tested for virus. This is an opportunity to pick up some phenomenal plants with everything priced to sell! **There are NO PRE-SALES.** Come early for best selection and carpool if possible.

See attached flyer.

# September 29 - 30, 2018

Fascination of Orchids International Show and Sale South Coast Plaza Village 1621 West Sunflower, Santa Ana (across from South Coast Plaza) 10 AM - 5 PM both days www.ocorchid.com

#### October 19-21, 2018

Huntington International Orchid Show and Sale Huntington Botanical Garden 1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 10 AM – 5 PM

Celebrate the amazing diversity of orchids—a vast family of more than 22,000 species in 880 genera—as hundreds of exotic blooms compete for honors at The Huntington's 4th annual International Orchid Show and Sale. In addition, vendors will have a wide range of orchid plants and related merchandise for sale. Entry to the event is included with general admission to The Huntington. Brody Botanical Center, The Huntington Library, Art Collections, and Botanical Gardens. www.huntington.org

# January 26-27, 2019

Peninsula Orchid Society Show & Sale Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA

# February 22 - 24, 2019

The Pacific Orchid Exposition
Gala Night February 21, 2019
Save the Date and start spreading the word! Stay tuned more information to follow.

www.pacorchidexpo.org

# March 15 - 17, 2019

The Santa Barbara International Orchid Show 'Orchid Magic' Fri thru Sun 9 AM - 5 PM Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara For more information: www.sborchidshow.com





# Peninsula Orchid Society Auction Entry Form - September 15, 2018 Seller's Name and phone number: \_ Orchid code - two letters and two digits, e.g. XX01, XX02 (the letters are usually your initials) Orchid Donation Plant name or item Minimum bid Code amount (if any) Y/N

Orchid Code	Orchid Code
Plant	Plant Name
Seller's Name	
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