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Virtual Meeting on Zoom August 28, 2020 7pm

See email for Zoom meeting details and links.

### Skill Session: Mounting Orchids with Tom Mudge

Skill Session for August will feature our own Tom Mudge, Tom has a wide base of knowledge of orchid culture and specializes in rare orchids and many are grown on board mounts. Tom will discuss reasons for mounting orchids and then show us how he works his magic to mount orchids.

#### Virtual Show and Tell

Starting at 7:30pm, we will have our usual virtual show and tell. Everyone is invited to show a 1 or 2 of their fabulous blooming orchids. You can take photos and share your screen or you can have your orchids on hand and show them on your device camera. You will have a chance to briefly talk about your orchids (name, is it fragrant, how long you have been growing it, how you grow it or anything of interest).

**Topic**: Basic Phalaenopsis Culture and The World of Novelty Fragrant Phalaenopsis **Speaker**: Peter Lin of Big Leaf Orchids

Our special Guest Speaker this month will be Peter Lin, owner of Big Leaf Orchids in Southlake, Texas. He's a well-known hobbyist & hybridizer of over 30 years & has been the recipient of numerous AOS awards for his Phalaenopsis.

Every Phalaenopsis enthusiast should know Peter Lin, an avid hobbyist and hybridizer, owner of Big Leaf Orchids in North Texas. Peter started growing orchids over 30 years ago, enhancing his Phalaenopsis growing hobby by creating new hybrids. Big Leaf Orchids, formed in 1996, nowhouses over 5000 species and hybrids. He's been the recipient of a multitude of American Orchid Society awards to his Phalaenopsis.

As a result of his annual trip to Taiwan to see some of the newest results in Phalaenopsis breeding, he hand-selects many of the most up-to-the minute varieties to incorporate into his hybridizing

program. He specializes in Phalaenopsis for their long-lasting flowers, diverse sizes, brilliant colors, patterns and fragrance. A recipient of numerous AOS awards, he says his interest in Phalaenopsis is the artistry of breeding by maintaining the finest in his selection of Phalaenopsis. He's always looking to take his breeding to the next level, to create something better and different to breed on with, to offer to his clients and to share with the orchid world at large.

#### **Plant Giveaway!**

We will hold a drawing for five orchids from Peter Lin. Everyone who attends the meeting (and is an active POS member) and is still online for the drawing will be entered at no cost. The orchids will be shipped to our Vice President, Mike Rector, and he will arrange to get your plant to you.

## **Member News**



#### **August Birthdays**

Zachary Coney, Scott Dallas, Susan Hamilton, Edmond Hon, Scott Kudo, Karen Low, Marianne Mollenauer, Mike O'Meara, Angela Perino, Janet Rector, Nathalie Vandenkoornhuyse, Kimmy Wang

# **July Board Meeting Minutes**

The board met on July 14 via Zoom to discuss POS business, and the minutes are below. The board will be meeting again on September 2 at 6:30pm on Zoom. Any active member can sit in on the board meeting and participate in the discussions. If you would like to join, contact a board member, and we will send you the Zoom link.

- POS zoom account. Carol wants to establish a policy about sharing zoom account with others who ask. Board
  agrees its okay to share with other societies and groups with orchid related/POS related requests and not for
  personal use and password is not passed to others. Person requesting use of the zoom acct should typically be a
  pos member.
- 2. July POS meeting and how to run future meetings. Mike R. contacted Alan Koch of gold country to be the zoom speaker. He is agreeable at a cost of of \$150. Also, he has offered plants for the opportunity table for \$10-15 per plant plus shipping. Mike R reported that the program subcommittee met and selected Alan's talk on "cattleyas 365" for the meeting.
- 3. Opportunity table: \$100 total to be spent on 5 gift certificates of \$20 each tentatively suggested. Mike R will check with Alan K. Isis to run the raffle. Purpose is to keep the membership engaged and encourage attendance.
- 4. Ken J. to do a Q & A for the skill session on any number of orchid problems, issues, etc..
- 5. Budget from Janusz: about \$ 6000 loss if we don't have a show next year. Loss of around \$1700 that the society makes from membership dues (if we lose members or do not collect dues next year that some societies are doing).
- 6. Chaunie to explore how to run an online auction in light of the pandemic. Mike D suggests member's sales. Overall, agreement among many that we need to retain our membership and how best to do that. Mike R suggests calling members.

- 7. Mike D, R and Janusz will meet separately to look at the possibility of putting on sales in September. Will table the 2021 show for now.
- 8. Carol: we need nominating committee for next year's board. Decision: committee will be headed by Chaunie and Isis. Mike D and Eric to assist.
- g. Janusz: has concerns about access and storage of budget records/quick books. Perhaps, records can be stored and accessed in POS google drive. Mike D says there is budget software available cheaper for 501c3 corporations like us and he will discuss with Janusz. Also, only Janusz and Sue Rose have access to our financial accounts presently. Maybe other members could be given access.

## 2020 Board Members

President Carol Zoltowski czoltowski@sbcglobal.net Vice President Mike Rector mrector@verizon.net Recording Secretary Mark Khoo mklkhoo@gmail.com Correspondence Secretary shhwee@sbcglobal.net Helena Wee Treasurer Janusz Warszawski janwar@sbcglobal.net Tom Mudge **Director Ways & Means** timudge@yahoo.com Chaunie Langland Director Membership chaunie.langland@earthlink.net Sue Rose ginger94022@gmail.com Director at Large Isis Trenchard Director at Large ijtrenchard@gmail.com Kim Tada kimbop324@verizon.net Director at Large

# **Other Local Orchid Societies**

Since there aren't any orchid shows or other events in the near future, we encourage you to get your orchid fix by joining and participating in other local orchid society meetings!

Name	Website Link	Monthly Meeting Day
Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers	goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com	Third Friday, no meetings in June, July and August
Santa Clara Valley Orchid Society	facebook.com/Santa-Clara-Valley- Orchid-Society-179637966053	First Wednesday
Malihini Orchid Society	malihini.org	Second Firday
San Francisco Orchid Society	orchidsanfrancisco.org	First Tuesday
Marin Orchid Society	marinorchidsociety.com	Fourth Tuesday
Santa Cruz Orchid Society	santacruzorchidsociety.org	Second Friday
Carmel Orchid Society	carmelorchidsociety.org	Zoom Happy Hours every two weeks

Sonoma County Orchid Society	sonomaorchids.com	Second Tuesday
Napa Valley Orchid Society	nv-os.org	Second Wednesday
Sacramento Orchid Society	sacramento or chids.org	First Wednesday
Diablo View Orchid Society	diabloviewos.org	Second Thursday
Orchid Society of California	orchidsociety of ca.org	Third Monday

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