

# The Orchid Scentinel

BOCA RATON ORCHID SOCIETY



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## MEETINGS

THE SOCIETY MEETS  
ON THE SECOND  
THURSDAY OF EACH  
MONTH AT 7:30 PM.

### Location:

Safe Schools Institute  
1790 NW Spanish River  
Blvd. Boca Raton, Fl. 33433  
Map: <http://bit.ly/qQhKXu>

Guests are Always Welcome!

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## Featuring—

**Program: Members' Mounting/Potting Party**

**Date: August 8, 2019**

We have a variety of plants available for tonight's **members'** potting/mounting party, including Catasetums and Cattleyas, among others. **Please bring your own mount or pot.** Pots need to be three inches or larger; mounts of your choice. There will be a few pots and mounts available for purchase.

If members wish to mount their own plants, they are welcome to do so. If members want to bring a plant to be repotted, that's fine too. Everyone will take home their work of art.

**Materials participants need to bring for tonight's program:**

- ◆ If mounting, bring fishing line or polyester thread to secure the plant and moss to your mount.
- ◆ If repotting, bring a new or clean pot, along with a pot clip or two for anchoring the plant.

**If you are planning to repot a plant, please email or call Marion (contact info on next page) and let her know. This will help us know how much materials to bring.**

This meeting is a little different and hopefully will be a lot of fun. Your feedback and suggestions are always appreciated.

**\*\*\*\* Members may bring plants to sell at this meeting. Please see the rules on p. 3**

—*Marion Israel*

Vice President, Programs

In order to plan transportation, we need an approximate count of the number of people who intend to visit Fairchild Gardens and the Million Orchid project on Monday, Oct. 28th. Contact Marion @ [marionisrael61@gmail.com](mailto:marionisrael61@gmail.com) if interested in taking this trip.

## Future Programs

September 12: Romina Gazis-Seregina - Orchid Diseases and Their Treatment

October 10: Bruce Mickelson - Orchid Pests

November 14: Segundo Questa - Vandas and Mokaras

December 12: Holiday Meeting

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## From Our President

Hi Everyone,

I have a question for everyone. The Board has been looking into getting a credit card terminal so that members may charge things like: yearly dues, show tickets, tee shirts and/or anything else we might sell. Plus, it would be used at our Show. My question is this: If we get a credit card terminal would you use it? I need to hear your opinion. Please email me at (Poopsieann@icloud.com) or talk to me at the August meeting.

It's getting to be that time of the summer again when we need to be thinking about the nasty "H" word. We have a lot of new members who may not have had to make hurricane preparations for their plants. Whether you have a few or many plants, I hope each of you takes the time to make a plan. Orchids, like most other plants, can suffer from bad weather. A couple things you might want to think about in the event of a hurricane is watering your collection to saturation, let drip dry and, if possible, bring them indoors for the duration. An extra bathroom can be filled with plants; a folding table in the house also works well. Ann and I have tile floors, so I just put a sheet down to help keep the house clean. Heck, it's only a couple days and these are our "chids," right?

The Society has resources available to all members. Our monthly newsletter, *The Orchid Scentinel*, contains photos and names of orchids that have won blue ribbons, orchid culture information, and much more. Our library of orchid-related materials is present at every meeting for members to borrow books, movies, etc. Please avail yourselves of our library resources and please remember to return them so that other members may utilize them.

In the next couple months our Nominating Committee will be working to put together the Slate of Officers for next year. We are a growing society; your help and ideas are welcome. If you would like to volunteer, please contact me and I will direct you to the appropriate Board or committee member. FYI, the pay is terrible (i.e. Zero,) but the rewards of friendship and working with others to better our Society are priceless.

-----Jay Collins  
*President*

#### VOLUNTEER NEEDED

Our Membership Chair, Phyllis Lyons, needs someone to sit with her at meetings and help her. Please contact Phyllis if you would like to help: 561-994-3386

# BROS Membership

## FIRST YEAR

SINGLE: \$25.00

COUPLE: \$35.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

## RENEWAL (if paid by March 1):

SINGLE \$18.00

COUPLE \$25.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

## RENEWAL (if paid after March 1)

SINGLE \$25.00

Couple \$32.00

BUSINESS \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

## CONTACT

Phyllis Lyons

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## MAIL CHECKS TO:

Boca Raton Orchid Society

PO Box 276367

Boca Raton, FL 33427

## BROS Member Plant Sales

BROS Members are welcome to sell their plants at designated monthly meetings.

### Five Simple Rules:

1. Maximum of 5 plants
2. No insects or diseases.
3. Must have a name tag.
4. No commercial sales.
5. 10% of your total sales must go to the BROS Treasurer that night.

# Tasks for August

by Dr. Martin Motes

Water Early and allow complete drying in between applications are your tasks for August.

- With shorter days the importance of watering as early in the morning as possible comes to the fore. With fewer hours of sunlight to dry the plants, extra care should be taken in choosing when to water. Back to the basics of the classic saying:
  - ⇒ If a Vanda looks like it needs water, water it;
  - ⇒ If a Cattleya or Oncidium looks like it needs water, water it tomorrow.
  - ⇒ If a Paph or a Phal looks like it needs water, you should have watered it yesterday.
  - ⇒ If plants retain water even from an early morning watering, allowing them to dry a bit harder before the next watering is always a good idea. An extra day of drying rarely does harm.
- Day lengths will be decreasing rapidly now and the extra light and air movement that judicious tree pruning provides will allow our orchids to dry more quickly as the drizzle of September approaches. Even in the best case scenario, trimming is an excellent idea. Rise early while the temperatures are still in the upper 70's and get it done!
- August should provide numerous opportunities to dry each orchid to its desired level of dryness. Take the opportunity to dry your orchids "hard" at least once but preferably twice in August. This will give your orchids a leg up on their mortal enemies, the fungus, before the drizzle of September switches the advantage to our adversaries

Read this month's complete article at:

<http://www.motesorchids.com/fogblog/>

Sign up for Dr. Motes' Newsletter at:

<http://www.motesorchids.com/>

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# ORCHID EVENTS

## AUGUST

**AOS Orchid Judging at Flamingo Gardens;** August 24, 2019 from 2-4 PM. Judging occurs the 4th Saturday of every month at the West Palm Beach Judging Center at Flamingo Gardens in Davie, FL. Go to their web site <http://www.wpbjc.org/> for details. Everyone is welcome to attend as an observer and you are invited to bring your plants for orchid judging. You do not have to be an AOS member to participate or to have your plants judged. Contact Carol Holdren at 561-212-4876 or email [cjholdren@gmail.com](mailto:cjholdren@gmail.com) for more information.

## SEPTEMBER and Beyond

**Exotic Plant and Orchid Sale** at Mounts Botanical Gardens, Saturday, September 21 (9 AM-4 PM) and Sunday, September 22; 9 AM – 3 PM. 531 North Military Trail, West Palm Beach, FL 33415. Phone 561-233-1757. Members: Free; Non-Members: \$10; \$5 (children 5-12). Plant sale ticket includes full garden admission. This annual plant sale is made for the shade! The west end of the Garden will be filled with an amazing selection of orchids and exotic plants from more than 25 of South Florida's premier vendors. You'll find dazzling orchids, begonias, bromeliads, ferns, hoyas, aroids and much more! Step into the Exhibit Halls, where magnificent tabletop arrangements will be offered in the popular silent auction.

**South Florida Orchid Society's 73rd Miami International Orchid Show "Orchid Treasures";** October 5 and 6, 2019 from 10 AM - 5 PM. At Watsco Center, University of Miami, 1245 Dauer Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146. Admission \$12.00 (10 and under FREE). More information at [www.sforchid.com](http://www.sforchid.com)

**East Everglades Orchid Society 23rd Annual Orchid Show & Sale "Fall in Love with Orchids;** October 17-20, 2019, 9 AM - 5 PM. At rOrchids, Inc, 28100 SW 182 Ave., Homestead, FL 33030. FREE parking and admission. More information at [www.orchidseos.com](http://www.orchidseos.com).

**Delray Beach Orchid Society Show "Orchids on the Square";** Friday, October 25—Sunday, October 27, 2019. The show takes place at the Old School Square Fieldhouse at 51 North Swinton Avenue, Delray Beach, FL 33444. Hours are 10 AM to 5 PM (to 4 PM Sunday). Tickets are \$5.00. Children under 6 are free. Sorry—no pets allowed.

**Deerfield Beach Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Show and Sale "Orchid Obsession";** November 16 and 17, 2019, 10 AM - 5 PM. At Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Boulevard, Boca Raton, FL 33431. Admission \$5.00 CASH ONLY. Children under 12 FREE. More information at [www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.com](http://www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.com)

### **Did You Know...**

It is important to pay attention to the changing light conditions that occur during spring and fall. The sun reaches different heights in the sky, and can cause the angle of sunlight that reaches your orchids to change. This can cause formerly low-light areas to be exposed to much higher levels of light, and vice versa. Check your orchids at various times during the day to determine whether they should be moved.

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# Valentine's Orchid Show & Sale

February 8-9, 2020  
10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

Cattleyonia  
Why Not

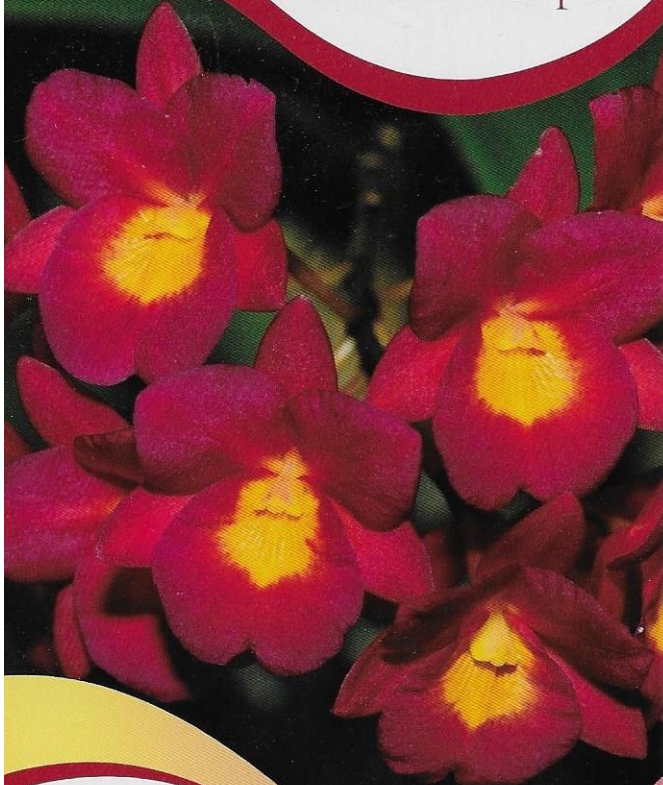


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Scott Joffe

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Held inside Don Estridge Middle School campus  
SHOW SITE: SAFE SCHOOLS INSTITUTE  
1798 Spanish River Boulevard  
*Free Parking*

**ADMISSION: \$5.00 Cash**  
(Credit cards accepted by vendors inside)  
Children 12 & under FREE admission

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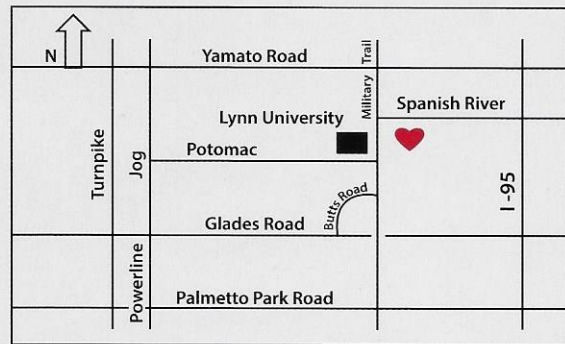
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10:00 a.m.-5:00 p.m.

**Featuring:**

Florida & Hawaii Orchid Growers, Orchid Displays & Sales,  
Judging by the American Orchid Society  
Free orchid classes, with special lecture by orchid biologist  
Dr. Jason Downing about The Million Orchid Project  
Bring overgrown orchids for repotting, dividing  
& mounting services from OrchidMania (proceeds to benefit  
children of pediatric unit at Miami Children's Hospital)



**2020 Orchid Vendors:**

- B&L Orchids ♥ Carmela Orchids ♥ EFG Orchids
- Florida Suncoast Orchids ♥ Krull-Smith Orchids
- Mac's Orchids ♥ Odom's Orchids ♥ Plantio La Orquidea
- Quest Orchids ♥ Red Hawk Nursery ♥ Soroa Orchids
- Springwater Orchids

**Directions**

Corner of Spanish River Blvd. & Military Trail, across from Lynn University.

**I-95 S and I-95 N:**

1. Exit 48A - Spanish River Blvd. /FAU – bear right at exit
2. Turn RIGHT going WEST
3. Turn LEFT into the campus of Don Estridge Middle School.

**Turnpike:**

Exit 75 for Glades Rd., turn LEFT onto Glades, turn LEFT at Butts Rd., turn LEFT onto Military Trail, then turn RIGHT on Spanish River Blvd.

# BROS Exhibition Table

Every month paid-up members have the opportunity to show their latest achievements. They can be admired then judged and you may even win an award ribbon! Fill out a exhibition slip and place it with your entry. Please follow the rules below to avoid disqualification.

1. Clearly print the orchid name and your full name.
2. It must be featured in the correct category.
3. You must have owned the orchid for at least six months.
4. The plant must not have insects or disease.
5. Display your orchid in an attractive container.
6. Each plant registered earns you a FREE raffle ticket!

**Please remember to sign-in when you attend a BROS Meeting.**

**The sign-in sheet will be at the Membership Desk as you enter the room.**

*Thank you!*

## The winners in July were...

MEMBER	CATEGORY	RIBBON	ORCHID NAME
Robert Finocchi	Other Cattleya Alliance	Blue	Epicattleya 'El Hatillo' Pinta
Carol Ott	Epidendrum/Encyclia	Blue	Enc. steinbachiana
Kathy Kersey	Cattleya Bifoliate	Blue	BLC Wainae Leopard "Ching-Hua"
Barbara Barrie	Cattleya Unifoliate	Blue	C. Aclandiae (4N)

Robert Finocchi	Epidendrum/Encyclia	Blue, Yellow	Enc. cracillis X randii
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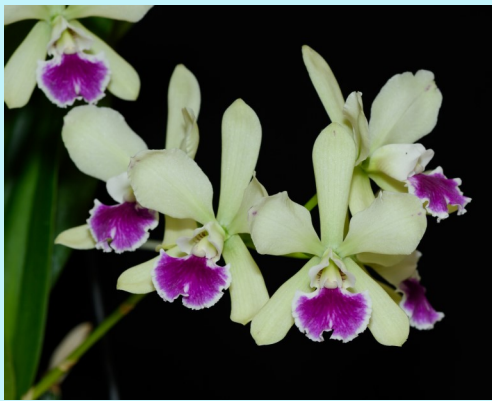
**BEST IN SHOW: Congratulations to Robert Finocchi on his win!**



# JULY MEMBERS' PLANTS



BLC Wainae Leopard "Ching Hua"



Epicat. 'El Hatillo' Pinta



Enc. steinbachiana



Enc. aclandiae

# JULY MEMBERS' PLANTS



*Enc. cracillis X randii*



# Board Meetings

The BROS Board meets the Wednesday following the monthly Member Meeting at 7:30 PM.

August 14—home of Alan LaDuke

September 18—home of Cheryl Dodes

October 16—home of Jay Collins



## *REFRESHMENTS*



Thanks to the following members for bringing delicious treats to our July meeting:

Cheryl Dodes, Carol Ott, Belinda Krause,

Josephine Paterson, Sally Glick,

Jeanne Sozio, Maritza Graff

Please help make our meetings even more enjoyable by bringing a snack or beverage to share.

Suggested refreshments include cut-up fruit, cookies, cakes, crackers & dip, or special treat that our members and guests might enjoy.



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## GREEN BARN

### ORCHID SUPPLIES

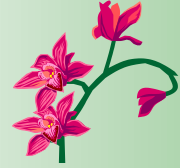
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### Parts of an Orchid Flower

