



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~

Speaker: Sheldon Takasaki

Topic: Easy Growing Orchids and Some Other Things from Hawaii"

Date: February 7, 2019

Sheldon Takasaki, the owner of Carmela Orchids in Hawaii, will present our February program. His program is titled ""Easy Growing Orchids and Some Other Things from Hawaii" ". If you have never heard Sheldon speak you are in for a treat!

Sheldon is a long-time friend of the Boca Raton Orchid Society. He has been a vendor at our orchid shows for many years. As a young Hawaiian boy, Sheldon grew up picking "field orchids", the flowers used to make leis and to put in the drinks of tourists in Hawaii.

Carmela Orchids is located in Hakalau, Hawaii. The nursery was founded in 1960 and has grown over the years from a small collection of orchids grown on top of a bomb shelter to a multi greenhouse operation with an in-house lab. Carmela Orchids is well known for its high standards of quality.



Sheldon Takasaki

--Marion Israel
Vice President, Programs

IMPORTANT: Our February Meeting will be held on the FIRST Thursday, FEBRUARY 7 to accommodate our speaker.

PLEASE NOTE: Sheldon will supply our Raffle Table and will bring plants to sell

***SALES OF PLANTS BY MEMBERS WILL NOT BE PERMITTED AT THIS MEETING

Future Programs at Member Meetings

March 14 - Phillip Hamilton of Bredon Orchids "Phalaenopsis "

April 11 - Kristen Uthus of New World Orchids

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of the DASSA Award.



From the President



Happy Valentine's Day to all!

Our annual Valentine's Weekend Show & Sale is just days away. The Safe Schools Lobby and Meeting Rooms will be transformed into an orchid paradise. Take photos of thousands of orchids and purchase plants to add to your collections. If this is the first show you are attending by our Society you are in for a real treat!

REMINDER: Our February Meeting is **Thursday, February 7th**, the same day we set up for the Show. The meeting will be in the LEFT Lecture Room.

We still need volunteers to help Saturday and Sunday. Call Kathy Kersey at 954-802-3575. Food is also needed for the judges, vendors and volunteers; please call Shirlee Rachel at 845-901-6604 and bring your favorite dish Saturday and/or Sunday. They need to hear from you today. Participation gives you the opportunity to meet new members and rekindle old friendships.

This year we are doing things a little differently. We are asking all members to place a sign in their front yard, providing their association allows this. You can get a sign anytime from Carla Lacher 561-843-6134 or at the meeting. Also, if you have social media accounts (ie: Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor etc.) please use them to invite your friends and neighbors.

Plant registration for judging your plants is Friday, February 8th from 3 - 6 PM, so get your plants groomed, place each in a decorative container, and stake, if necessary, to look their best for the show. Winning awards and ribbons is the greatest feeling for all your efforts nurturing that little beauty. If you bring plants to the meeting for Member Plant Table Judging, you can let them stay overnight and come back to register them Friday afternoon for the Show.

Orchid Mania will once again be in the Lobby with their repotting service. Bring your neglected orchids in for some TLC. Remember, all proceeds go to help children with HIV at the University of Miami Miller School of Medicine's Department of Pediatrics.

Please volunteer at the show and serve as an ambassador to share this wonderful hobby with our visitors. Volunteers do not need a ticket on the day they are working. Please check in with Kathy, then with your Committee Chairman when you arrive. Come a little early to attend the lectures and do some shopping.

The Society is only as good as its member volunteers.

Jay Collins

President

BROS T-Shirts will be at the February Meeting. Please pay for your shirt by Check made out to "BROS".

T-Shirts: \$18; Polo Shirts: \$30. CHECKS ONLY PLEASE!

Orchid Events

FEBRUARY

February 9 and 10, 2019 (10 AM—5 PM), Boca Raton Orchid Society Show and Sale. At Safe Schools Institute, 1790 Spanish River Blvd., corner of Military Trail and Spanish River Blvd. Admission \$5 pp. For more info, www.brosonline.org.

February 16 (10 AM - 5 PM) and 17 (10 AM - 4 PM), 2019 Port St. Lucie Orchid Society Show. "Orchids in the Garden," At the Port Saint Lucie Botanical Gardens, 2410 SE Westmoreland Blvd., Port Saint Lucie, FL For more information, contact Claudia Young 757-879-2142 oma.young@ymail.com

February 23 and 24, 2019 (9 AM—5 PM), Naples Orchid Society Show and Sale. At Naples Botanical Gardens, 4820 Bayshore Drive, Naples, FL . The theme for the show is "The Magic of Orchids". Admission to the Show and Sale is included with general admission to the Garden. More information at <http://www.naplesorchidsociety.org/about-orchid-show/>

MARCH

March 1-3, 2019 , Martin County Orchid Society Show. "Orchids in the Land of Oz". At the Martin County Fairgrounds, Building G, 2616 South Dixie Highway (A1A), Stuart, Florida 34996. More info: 561-404-2000

March 8-10, 2019. 17th Annual Fairchild International Orchid Show. One of the bigger shows on the beautiful grounds of the Fairchild Botanical Gardens, 9:30 AM—4:30 PM. Free for Fairchild members. Admission charge is \$25 pp for Adults; \$18 for Seniors 65+; \$12 for Children ages 6-17; free for Children 5 years and younger.

March 12, 2019. Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Orchid Auction. Preview at 7 PM; auction begins at 7:30 PM. At the Woman's Club of Deerfield Beach, 910 E Hillsboro Blvd, Deerfield Beach, FL 33441. Free Admission. More info at www.deerfieldbeachorchidsociety.org

March 16 (9 AM - 5 PM) and 17 (9 AM - 4 PM), 2019. GFWC Plantation Woman's Club and the City of Plantation present "Garden Fest Plant Extravaganza". Free admission and free parking at Volunteer Park Community Center, 12050 W Sunrise Blvd, Plantation, FL 33323. More info at www.gfwcplantationwomansclub.com

Orchid Show & Sale

February 9-10, 2019
10am-5pm

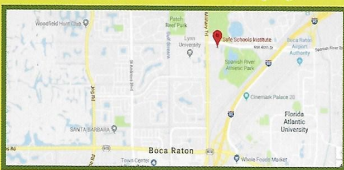


Boca Raton Orchid Society
SHOW SITE
Safe Schools Institute | 1798 Spanish River Blvd.
Located on Don Estridge High Tech Middle School Campus
Visit our website for more information:
www.brosonline.org
Admission \$5 CASH ONLY

Boca Raton Orchid Society Orchid Show & Sale

February 9-10, 2019
10am-5pm

Featuring Orchid Displays & Sales
Educational Lectures
Repotting Service, AOS Judging



Directions
I-95 southbound and northbound:

1. Take exit 48A for Spanish River Blvd./FAU - stay in right lane as you exit
2. Turn **RIGHT** going **WEST** towards Military Trail
3. Go past Spanish River Athletic Facilities at DeHoernle Park, and turn **LEFT** into the campus of Don Estridge High Tech Middle School
4. Institute is on the north side of the campus, first right as you come in through the entrance gates.

Turnpike:
Take exit 75 for Glades Rd., turn **LEFT** onto Glades, go **EAST** to Butts Rd, turn **LEFT** onto Butts Rd., turn **LEFT** onto Military Trail, then turn **RIGHT** on Spanish River Blvd. Show site is first entrance on the right.
Advance Ticket Sales \$3.00
Available at:
Green Barn Orchid Supplies
5185 Conklin Dr., Delray Beach, FL
(561) 499-2810



Redland Open House

A weekend of sales and free classes.
February 15th, 16th & 17th 2019
9am - 5pm each day.
Sale Specials at All 4 Nurseries

Carib Plants	26806 SW 203 Ave.	Homestead FL 33031	305-245-5565
Motes Orchids	25000 SW 162 Ave.	Redland FL 33031	305-247-4398
Soroa Orchids	25750 SW 177 Ave.	Homestead FL 33031	305-247-2566
Whimsy Orchids	18755 SW 248 St.	Homestead FL 33031	305-242-1333

Win one of Four Orchid Collections!

Pick up an entry coupon & have it stamped at three of our nurseries during the sale weekend.

Time	Friday February 15th	Saturday February 16th	Sunday February 17th
10:30 AM	at CARIB PLANTS "Growing Psycopsis"	at WHIMSY ORCHIDS "Growing Tolumnias"	at SOROA ORCHIDS "Orchids in the Florida Landscape"
1:00 PM	at SOROA ORCHIDS "Repotting and Mounting Orchids"	at MOTES ORCHIDS "Growing Cattleyas in South Florida"	at WHIMSY ORCHIDS "Growing Cattleyas" (English y en español)
3:00 PM	<i>All 4 Nurseries available for questions during the sale: Bring a Sample!</i>	at CARIB PLANTS "Growing Phalaenopsis"	at MOTES ORCHIDS "Growing Phalaenopsis in South Florida"

www.redlandorchidfest.org/rpog

Coming in May...

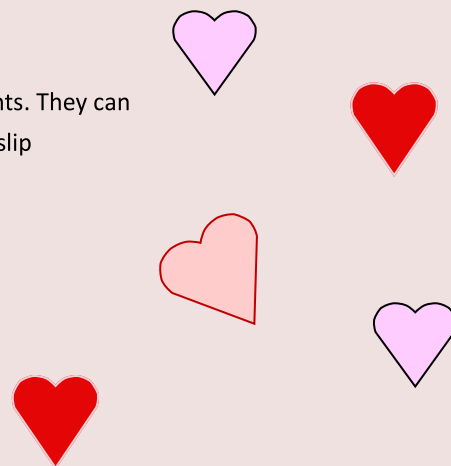
BROS Bus Trip to the 2019 Redland International Orchid Festival
Details to Follow



BROS Exhibition Table

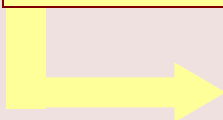
Every month paid-up members have the opportunity to show their latest achievements. They can be admired then judged and you may even win an award ribbon! Fill out a exhibition slip and place it with your entry. Please follow the rules below to avoid disqualification.

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!



The winners in January were...

MEMBER	CATEGORY	RIBBON	ORCHID NAME
Carol Ott	Vanda	Blue	Vanda Pakchong Blue
Roderick Lewis	Cattleya Bifoliata	Blue	LC Pure Soul Yutaka Morimoto
Roberto Finocchi	Cattleya Bifoliata	Blue	Cattleya nobilior
Roberto Finocchi	Cattleya Alliance	Blue	BLC Mem. Meesan Chill 4n
Ionie Goldson	Oncidium Alliance	Blue	Onc. Heaven Scent Redolence
Jody Litwin	Ascocentrum & Ascocenda	Blue	Asc. Chili Pepper AM/AOS
Ionie Goldson	Other Vandaceous	Blue	Rhyncostylis retura "Foxtail Orchid"
Carol Ott	Cattleya Alliance	Blue	Caulocattleya Chantilly Lace 'Twinkle'
Carol Ott	Cattleya Bifoliata	Blue	BLC Nell Hammer
Kathy Kersey	Phalaenopsis	Blue	Phal. KS Super Zebra "Wilson"
Barbara Barrie	Other Vandaceous	Blue	Liparis grossa "Natural World" X Self



Best in Show Barbara Barrie. Congratulations, Barbara!

January Member Plants



Vanda Pakchong Blue



LC Pure Soul Yutaka Morimoto



Cattleya nobilior



BLC Mem. Meesan Chill



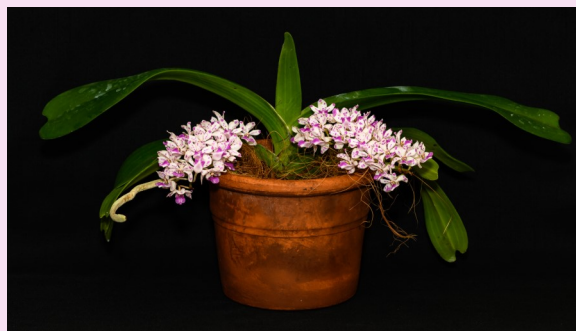
Onc. Heaven Scent Redolence



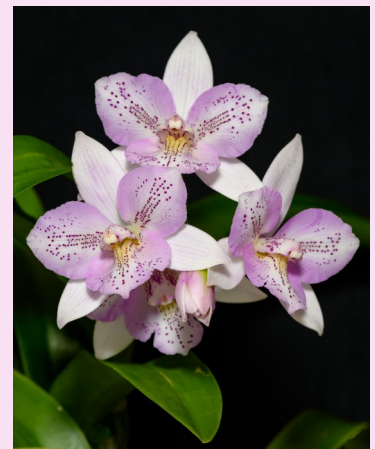
BLC Nell Hammer



Asc. Chili Pepper AM/AOS



Rhyncostylis retura "Foxtail Orchid"

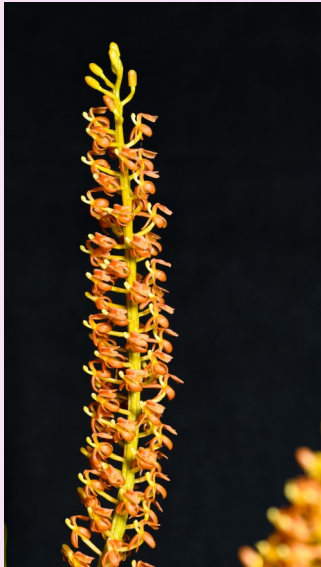


Caulocattleya Chantilly Lace Twinkle



Phal. KS Super Zebra "Wilson"

January Member Plants

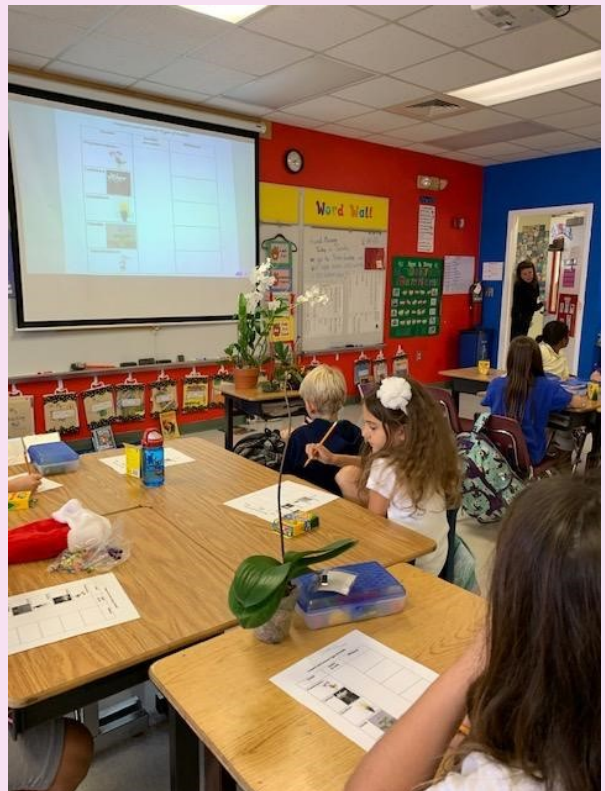


Liparis grossa "Natural World" X Self

Boca Raton Orchid Society After School Orchid Program

Submitted by BJ Saul and Karen Zarif

At the December class, members of the After School Orchid Program learned how to identify orchids. They compared and contrasted similarities and differences for a variety of orchids that included Phalaenopsis, Vanda, and Dendrobium. They then colored orchid pictures to be put on display at the BROS February Valentines Orchid Show.



TICKETS

BROS "Pre-Sale" Show tickets have been sent out to all members. These tickets get entrance to the show for \$3.00 instead of the \$5.00 admission at the door. What a bargain!

So now you can invite your family and friends to see all the beautiful displays and introduce them to the wonderful world of orchids. Please mail your ticket sales money to BROS or bring a check to the February meeting made out to "BROS".

Additional tickets are available.

Please contact

Marion Israel (561) 810-6547

Yard Signs for Our Show

We are asking all members to place a sign in their front yard, providing their Association allows this. You can get a sign anytime from Carla Lacher 561-843-6134 or at the meeting. Also, if you have social media accounts (ie: Facebook, Twitter, Nextdoor etc.) please use them to invite your friends and neighbors.

WE NEED YOU!

Show Set-Up

Thursday, February 7th
Friday, February 8th

Show Days:

Raffle Table
Security

Volunteers



Needed

Contact Kathy Kersey at 954-802-3575

Show Your Orchids

Get your best plants groomed and ready to bring in for ribbon and AOS judging. Plan on putting in an educational or hobbyist exhibit or display of five plants of the same genera and win a trophy. **Plant and exhibit registration will be on Friday, February 8th from 3:00 to 6:00 pm.**

Contact Carla Lacher at 561-843-6134 for further information.

Reminders:

- ◆ **Yearly BROS dues and Show ticket money are due now. Make check out to BROS.**
- ◆ **To volunteer for the Show contact Kathy Kersey to sign up at 954-802-3575**
- ◆ **To volunteer to bring food for the 2019 Show, contact Shirlee Rachel at 845-901-6604**

Thank you! We all need to pitch in to make the BROS Show a success!

Need Volunteers to Handle Refreshments at BROS Meetings

After many years of doing a wonderful job, Shirley Rachel is retiring from setting out Refreshments at BROS meetings. We need volunteers to carry on with this monthly task. Please contact Jay Collins at 561-705-6892 if you can help out.

For Our February BROS Orchid Show:

We need your favorite food donated for the Judges' Breakfast & Lunch Saturday and also to serve the Vendors and Show Volunteers both Show days.

Please contact Shirlee Rachel at 845-901-6604

Thank you!

Most Sincere Get Well Wishes to:

Shirley Wilde

Shirley Schneider

Fred Gilbert



Please...

Wear your BROS tee shirt when volunteering at the BROS Show in February.

Board Meetings

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

February—No meeting

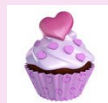
March—Home of Alan LaDuke

April - Home of Barbara Barrie

Thanks to the following people for contributing tasty treats for all of us to enjoy at our January meeting:

Cheryl Dodes, Phyllis Lyons, Arlene Presto, Kathy Geis, Veronica Risko

Please bring a treat to share at our next meeting!



BROS Membership

FIRST YEAR

SINGLE \$25.00

COUPLE \$35.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter emailed.

RENEWAL (Before March 1)

SINGLE \$18.00

COUPLE \$25.00

BUSINESS \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

RENEWAL (After March 1)

SINGLE \$25.00

COUPLE \$35.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

CONTACT

Phyllis Lyons

(561) 994-3386

MAIL CHECKS TO

Boca Raton Orchid Society

PO Box 276367

Boca Raton, FL 33427

Please sign in at the



**Membership Desk at each
of our Monthly Meetings.**

Tasks for February

by Dr. Martin Motes

February Climate Data

Average high: 77.7

Average low: 60.7

Average mean: 69.1

Average rainfall: 2.07"

Despite the bloom on the avocados and the burgeoning new leaves on the live oaks, February is not spring in South Florida. Danger of freeze continues past mid month and frost can occur still into March. Even if the weather is balmy it's too early to let down our guard or take down any protection we have mounted against the cold. The trend however is toward the positive as each lengthening day brings extra hours of warming sunshine to begin waking our plants from their long winter's rest. February characteristically brings a wide swing of day to night temperatures, ideal for spiking Ascocendas and Vandas but also wringing from the air heavy dews and dense fog. Whilst these add a romantic atmosphere to the South Florida landscape, Wuthering Heights is singularly devoid of snails and slugs (much less Botrytis). The silvery carpet of dew provides a silky path to our orchids for snails and slugs which can range far, under these favorable conditions. They are eager to make a nice meal of your Phalaenopsis leaves or the soft crowns of your Vandas before they retire during the dry months of March and April only to dream of the fresh shoots of the sympodial orchids brought forth by the first rains of May. Now is the time to give them a rude awakening. Remember that snail bait is most effectively applied lightly (scatter the pellets every few feet) and frequently (every 7 to 10 days). Two or three applications should do the job.

Read this month's complete article at:

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

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web address above**



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Thanks to Holly Ragsdale for including information about the Boca Raton Orchid Society 2019 Show in her blog post “Ways to Celebrate Valentine’s Day in Boca Raton 2019” in Live Luxe, a lifestyle blog for Premier Estate Properties. The blog may be found on the following social media websites:

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/PremierEstateProperties/posts/10156082579267849>

Twitter: <https://twitter.com/PremierEstates/status/1086267454240837633>

Instagram: <https://www.instagram.com/p/Bsx3rQEnHek/>

Happy Valentine's Day!