



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: Jose Exposito

Topic: Grooming Your Orchids for the Big Day

Date: February 6, 2020

Jose Exposito has been growing orchids for 35 years. He is the owner of Soroa Orchids, a founding member of the International Phalaenopsis alliance, past President of Coalition for Orchid Species and the East Everglades Orchid Society, past chairman of the Florida Caribbean Judging Center and Vice President of the Redlands Professional Orchid Growers, organizers of the largest international orchid event in the country, The Redlands Show.

Jose also travels around the world lecturing on orchid growing and hybridizing. He has presented lectures at the World Orchid Conferences in Brazil and Malaysia. He will inform us of how to prepare our orchids for judging.



Jose Exposito

--Marion Israel
Vice President, Programs

IMPORTANT: Our February Meeting will be held on the FIRST Thursday, FEBRUARY 6 to accommodate our speaker.

PLEASE NOTE: Jose 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 12 - John Budree -Topic TBD

April 16 - TBD (NOTE: MEETING IS THE 3rd THURSDAY IN APRIL)

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The BROS is the proud recipient of the DASSA Award.



From Our President



Happy Valentine's Day!

This month's meeting is Thursday, February 6th.

We meet in the left lecture room.

Our annual Valentine's Weekend Show and Sale is just days away. The Safe Schools lobby and meeting rooms will be transformed into a sea of orchid enchantment. Orchids are amazing plants, so invite your friends, neighbors, and a few new friends to come and enjoy, take some pictures, and purchase a few plants so they can start a collection of their own. I assure you if this is the first show you are attending by our Society you are in for a real treat.

We still need volunteers to help Saturday and Sunday. Call Kathy Kersey at 954-802-3575. Food for the judges, vendors and volunteers is also needed; please call Teresa O'Neil at 765-592-1386 and bring your favorite dish Saturday. They need to hear from you ASAP. Participation gives you the opportunity to meet new members and rekindle old friendships.

Plant registration for judging your plants is Friday, February 7th from 3 - 6 PM. So, get your plants all spiffed up, placed in a decorative container, staked if necessary and looking their best for the show. Winning awards and ribbons is a great feeling and payback for all the time you spent nurturing that little beauty. If you bring your plants to the meeting Thursday for Member Plant Table judging, you can let them stay overnight and come back to register them Friday afternoon for the Show.

Alex Lamazares and friends from OrchidMania will once again be in the lobby with their repotting service. You can bring your neglected "chids" in for some TLC. This year he will also be selling water and few snacks. Remember, all proceeds go to benefit children of Project Cradle, a program at the University of Miami Leonard Miller School of Medicine Department of Pediatrics, Infectious Disease and Immunology.

Whichever day you have volunteered for (Saturday, Sunday or both), PLEASE wear your BROS T-shirt. This helps our guests identify all our member volunteers. **As you should already know, volunteers do not need a ticket on the day they are working.** Please check-in with Kathy, then with your Committee Chairperson. Come a little early and attend the lectures and do some shopping.

Looking forward to seeing you at our meeting and working with you at the show.

Jay Collins

President

The following page links to the event created for our show. If you have a Facebook account, please access the page and mark yourself as 'interested' and as 'going', to generate momentum for the show. Please also share this event with your friends and family:

https://www.facebook.com/events/842232189551915/?event_time_id=842232196218581

Orchid Events

FEBRUARY

February 8 and 9, 2020 (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.brosoline.org.

February 15 (10 AM - 5 PM) and 16 (10 AM - 4 PM), 2020 Port St. Lucie Orchid Society Show. “Orchid Jungle Book,” 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 22 and 23, 2020 (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 “Wild About 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 6-8, 2020 , Martin County Orchid Society Show. At the Martin County Fairgrounds, Building G, 2616 South Dixie Highway (A1A), Stuart, Florida 34996. More info: Debbie Wilson, 561-351-1515. Email davedebwilson@hotmail.com

March 13-15, 2020. 17th Annual Fairchild International Orchid Show. At Fairchild Botanic Gardens. 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral Gables FL. One of the biggest shows in South East Florida spread over 80 beautiful acres of the Gardens. More than 10,000 orchid plants will grace the Garden during the three-day festival. Admission: \$25 pp; Seniors 65+ \$18; Children (ages 6-17) \$12. Free for children 5 and younger. Free admission for Fairchild members.

March 10, 2020. 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 21 (9 AM - 5 PM) and 22 (9 AM - 4 PM), 2020. 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



Valentine's Orchid Show & Sale

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

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Why Not



Photo:
Scott Joffe

Presented by

Boca Raton
ORCHID SOCIETY

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

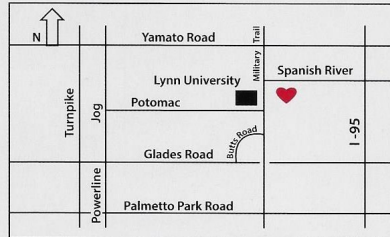
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Valentine's Orchid Show & Sale

February 8-9, 2020
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 ♥ Soraa 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. /EAU - 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 SHOW LECTURE SCHEDULE 2020

Saturday, February 8:

11:00 AM: Dr. Jason L. Downing,
Orchid Biologist, Fairchild Botanic
Garden

1:00 PM: "Beautiful Blooms With the
Right Supplies" - Hyla Levine, Green
Barn Orchid Supplies

3:00 PM: "Orchid Care and Repotting"
- Alex Lamazares, Hobbyist/Orchid
Mania

Sunday, February 9:

12:00 PM: "Beautiful Blooms With the
Right Supplies" - Hyla Levine, Green
Barn Orchid Supplies

1:30 PM: "Orchid Pests and Diseases"
- Trent Ward, Certified Arborist/
Horticulturist, Arborpro LLC

Orchid Jungle Book
By Port Saint Lucie
Orchid Society

Orchid Show and Sale
SAT. FEB. 15, 10 - 5
SUN. FEB. 16, 10 - 4

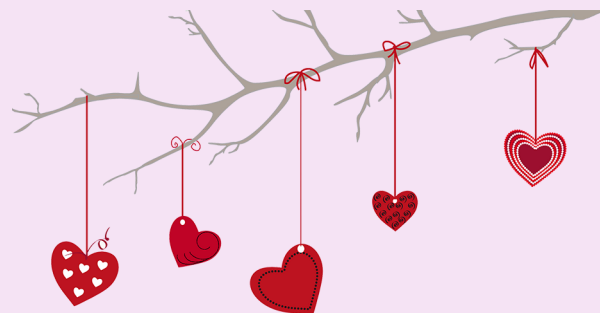
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BROS Exhibition Table

Every month paid-up members have the opportunity to show their latest achievements, 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

BROS Member Plant Sales

BROS paid-up Members are welcome to sell their plants at selected meetings.

Four Simple Rules:

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

MEMBER	CATEGORY	RIBBON	ORCHID NAME
Robert Finocchi	Species	Blue	Ang. leonis
Robert Finocchi	Cattleya Unifoliata	Blue	V. sanderiana alba
Robert Finocchi	Vanda	Blue	Cattleya nobilior
Teresa O'Neil	Cattleya Alliance	Blue	BC Maikai 'Mayumi'
Jay Collins	Dendrobium Alliance	Blue, Yellow	Den. bracteosum

BEST IN SHOW: Congratulations to Jay Collins!



Dendrobium bracteosum

January Member Plants



LC Stephanie Staser



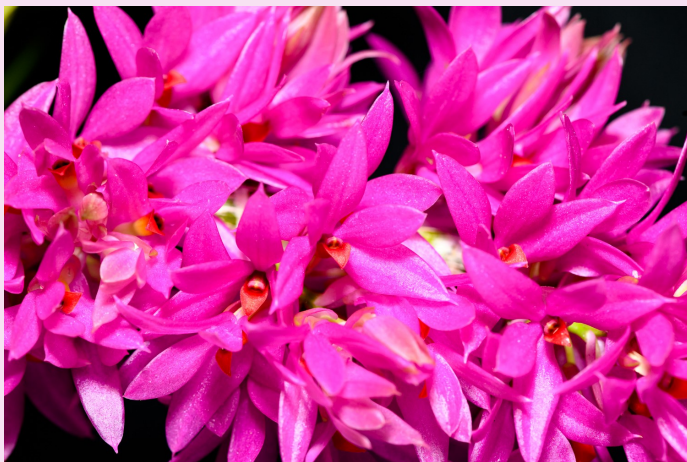
Vanda sandariana alba



BC Maikai 'Mayumi'



Ang. leonis



Dendrobium bracteosum



Boca Raton Orchid Society After School Orchid Program

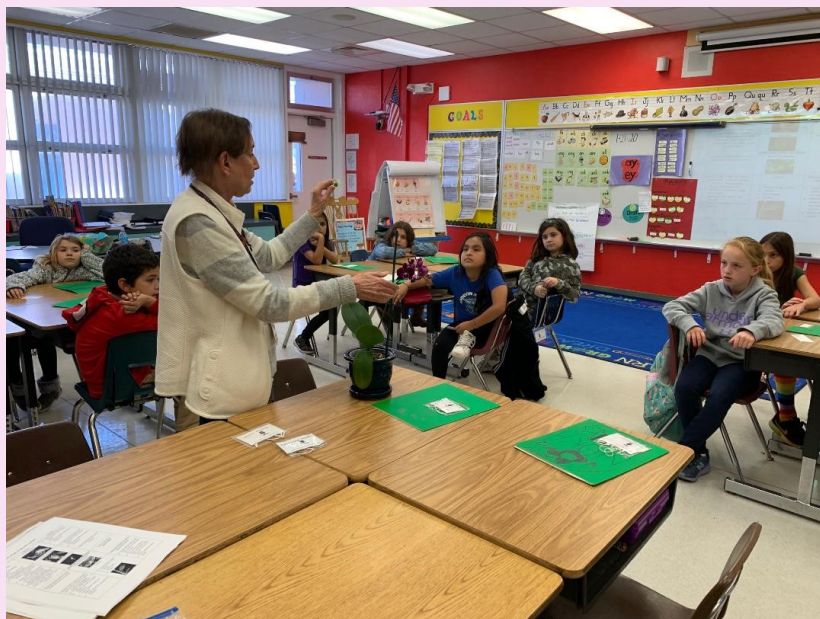
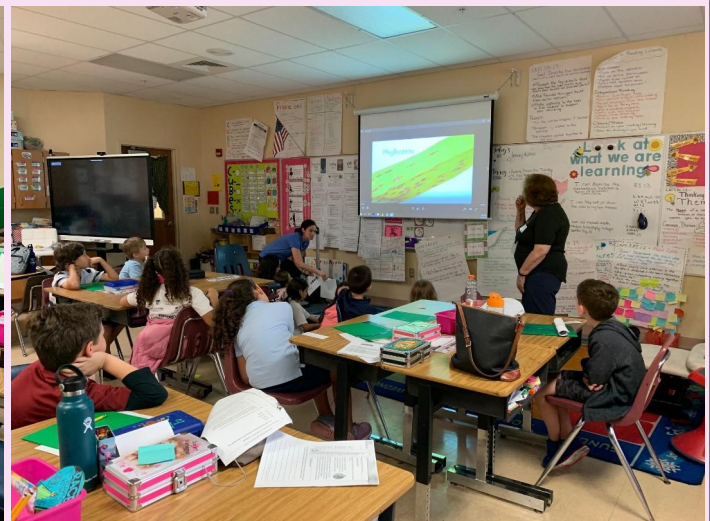
Submitted by BJ Saul and Karen Zarif

During the month of January, Program participants continued to learn about orchids. The instructors shared, "What are some problems with growing orchids?" Looking at pictures and watching videos the students learned to recognize problems with orchids related to growing conditions, diseases and orchid pests along with possible solutions.

The orchid artwork produced by the students at JC Mitchell, Addison Mizner, and Whispering Pines Elementary Schools will be on display at the BROS Orchid Show on February 8 and 9 at the Safe Schools Institute.

Many thanks to Shirley Wilde, Mirta Sacon, Sheila Bell, Janice Larit, Teresa O'Neil, and Karen Zarif for helping BJ Saul with this program.

If you would like to volunteer, your help would be greatly appreciated. Contact BJ Saul, bjfsaul@comcast.net, 561-347-0618



TICKETS

BROS "Pre-Sale" Show tickets are still available. 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 to our Orchid Show

WE NEED YOU!

Show Set-Up

Thursday, February 6th
Friday, February 7th

Show Days:

February 8 & 9
Many Positions
Available

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 7th 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 past due. 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 2020 Show, contact Teresa O'Neil at 765-592-1386**

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

BROS Membership

FIRST YEAR

SINGLE \$25.00

COUPLE \$35.00

BUSINESS: \$40.00

Newsletter emailed.

RENEWAL

SINGLE \$20.00

COUPLE \$25.00

BUSINESS \$40.00

Newsletter emailed

CONTACT

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MAIL CHECKS TO

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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/>

**Sign up for Dr. Motes' monthly newsletter at the
web address above**

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, Sally Glick, Marilyn Collins

Please bring a treat to share at our next meeting!



Board Meetings

Please...

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

The BROS board meets the Wednesday

following the monthly Member Meeting at 7:30 PM.

February—No meeting

March—Office of Carla Lacher's Husband

April - Home of Marion Israel



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