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Cym. goeringii 'Gui Yuan Mei'  
Grown by Baozhong (Jack) Zhu

## *The INFLORESCENCE*

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our June 20, 2025 Guest  
speaker will be Jack Zhu  
“An Adventure in Asian  
Cymbidium Natural Habitat”**

Jack Zhu is an orchid hobbyist from the Los Angeles area in California. He grows many varieties of orchids, focusing on Asian cymbidiums. Jack is also very interested in the culture and history of Asian cymbidiums. Jack is the organizer of an online Asian cymbidium group of about two thousand hobbyists. He is currently an accredited Judge in AOS Pacific South Judging Region and has more than thirty AOS awards for Asia cymbidiums.



Hello fellow orchid enthusiasts!!!

I hope everyone is doing well and that all of you enjoyed our hands-on-repotting and mounting culture session last month. This was a great opportunity for all of us to share knowledge and pick up new tips. I really hope all of you walked away with something positive. We are contemplating the idea of doing this type of activity once or twice per year. If this is something that interests you, please let any of the board members know, and we will make a note of it. I also hope everyone is enjoying this warm weather, not me...I'm more of a cool weather guy, ha, ha. With the hotter months quickly approaching, we will need to start watering more often. Also with the heat, pests will become more active. Start thinking of doing some early preventive maintenance on your plants and controlling pests will be much easier later. Removing all dry sheaths and leaves, which provide a hiding place for mealybugs and scale will help a great deal, and applying some systemic pesticide will help fight pests from the inside out.

I'm very excited to hear Jack Zhu's presentation on "An Adventure of Asian Cymbidium Natural Habitat". Lately Jack has been very active in the orchid world and it is easy to find him at orchid events and sales. This should be a nice treat, and I hope everyone can make it to the meeting. If you are interested in volunteering and taking a more active role in the society, please let one of the board members know. We could use more help, and a little bit of help counts for a lot.



Brassidium Kenneth Bivin  
'Santa Barbara'

## May 2025 RIBBON JUDGING RESULTS

**Speaker's Choice: No speaker's choice due to repotting workshop**

### **Cattleya**

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|---|--------|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Laeliocattleya Dorothy Warne 'Favorite'       | AM/AOS | David West   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Rhyncattleanthe Love Passion 'Dogashima'      |        | David West   |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Brassolaeliocattleya Sarah Palin 'You Betcha' |        | Braulio Mena |

### **Cymbidium**

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|---|--|-------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Cymbidium novelty red pendulous |  | David West  |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Cymbidium Jacqueline Hatfield   |  | David West  |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Cymbidium Alcor                 |  | Olga Amaral |

### **Dendrobium**

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|---|--|----------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Dendrobium Easter Parade              |  | Olga Amaral    |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Dendrobium Hibiki                     |  | Viria Walls    |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Dendrobium Oriental Smile 'Butterfly' |  | Arthur Hazboun |

### **Oncidium**

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|--|---------|---------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Oncidium ampliatum                       |         | Jerri Larsson |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Brassidium Kenneth Bivin 'Santa Barbara' | HCC/AOS | Larry Bergen  |

### **Paphiopedilum**

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|--|--|-------------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Phragmipedium besseae          |  | Stéphane Larouche |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Paphiopedilum Love Wins        |  | Stéphane Larouche |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Paphiopedilum Hsinying Majakun |  | Stéphane Larouche |

### **Other Genera**

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|--|--|--------------|
| 1 <sup>st</sup> Vanda Kay Chatham (Vanda roeblingiana<br>x Vanda tricolor) |  | David West   |
| 2 <sup>nd</sup> Lycaste Chorus   |  | Larry Bergen |
| 3 <sup>rd</sup> Mormolyca ringens  |  | Braulio Mena |



Laeliocattleya Dorothy Warne 'Favorite' AM/AOS



Cymbidium Novelty Red Pendulous



Oncidium ampliatum



Phragmipedium besseae



Mormolyca rigens



Dendrobium Easter Parade



Vanda Kay Chatham



Dendrobium Hibiki



Brassolaeliocattleya Sarah Palin "You Betcha"

## Dividing, Repotting, and Mounting Orchids - a great workshop success story!

Arthur Hazboun

Braulio Mena was kept busy dividing, cleaning and explaining the procedure on a large Cattleya June Wedding while Larry Bergen, was busy showing everyone his methods to repot the divisions while selling raffle tickets. I kept busy doing double duty of dividing, the donated plants and showing how to mount the plants successfully. We want to extend our appreciation to the members who participated in the event. We loved your great enthusiasm, excellent questions and keen interest in learning how to divide large specimen plants and repot or mount the divisions. Special thank you to Bobby Ignacio for his donation of the Shomburgkia cross hybrid and the Cat. Bowringiana cross. Thanks to Don and Sandy Hammersmark for their nicely grown large Cattleya which yielded many healthy divisions.

Here are the suppliers that we use: For media, pots, supplies, etc...

Yamada Company Inc. 706 W. Gardena Blvd. Gardena, CA 90247 310-327-5668

For mounts (Cork, grapewood, ironwood, etc.) Wholesale Virgin Cork Bark in San Diego <https://wholesalevirgincorkbark.com/> or call 760-704-8289

***Look for our next workshop coming at one of our meetings!***





*Charlie we're going to miss you. Thanks for all the fun times and years of service to SBOS. We will look for you at show times. Be sure to come visit!*



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### Webinars:

**June 3, 2025 Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A with Ron McHatton** Find answers to questions you did not even know you had. **Tuesday 5:30 PM OPEN to everyone**

Please send your questions to Sandra Svoboda at [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org) by June 1, 2025

**Register at:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/154216846793525600>

**July 2, 2025 Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A with Ron McHatton** Find answers to questions you did not even know you had. **Wednesday 5:30 PM OPEN to everyone**

Please send your questions to Sandra Svoboda at [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org) by June 30, 2025

**Register at:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6080405300982577493>

**August 7, 2025 Greenhouse Chat** Join Ron McHatton as he answers your questions about all things orchid. **Thursday 5:30 PM OPEN to everyone**

Please send your questions to Sandra Svoboda at [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org) by August 4, 2025

**Register at:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/6515834995326085728>

***American Orchid Society Monthly Checklist for May and June***

***Written by Ned Nash and James Rose***

**<https://www.aos.org/orchid-care/seasonal-orchid-care/monthly-checklist-for-may-and-june>**

Our future membership meetings are held at the Palos Verdes Art Center

- June 20, 2025
- July 18, 2025
- August 15, 2025

◇ General Meetings start 6:30 PM

The next board meeting will be June 24, 2025 7:00PM

Call 310-413-3259 for more Information



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## Our Next Meeting will be June 20, 2025

### Upcoming Orchid Events

#### **June 14, 2025 Orchid Society of Southern California Annual Auction**

12 PM Door opens 1-4 PM Auction Meeting Hall First Christian Church  
221 S 6<sup>th</sup> Street, Burbank info: <https://www.orchidssc.org>

#### **June 28 – 29, 2025 Five Cities Orchid Society Orchid Fest 2025**

Saturday 10 AM – 5 PM, Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM  
Nipomo High School, 525 N Thompson Ave., Nipomo info: <https://www.fcoss.org>

#### **July 18 – 20, 2025 Cal-Orchid Summer Hummer**

Friday and Saturday 9 AM – 4 PM, Sunday 9 AM – 3 PM  
1251 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara info: <https://www.calorchid.com>

#### **September 20-21, 2025 South Bay Orchid Society Fall Show and Sale**

**September 26 – 28, 2025 Fascination of Orchids International Festival of Orchids & Exotic Plants** 10 AM – 4 PM Santa Ana Zoo 1801 E. Chestnut, Santa Ana  
Info: <https://fascinationoforchids.com>

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