



Speaker's Choice:
Prosthechea baculus
Grown by David West

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“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our July 18, 2025 Guest speaker
will be Donna Ballard
“Australian Dendrobiums Part 1:
Dendrobium Phalaenopsis”**

Donna lives in the West San Fernando Valley, is a native Californian, and earned her accreditation as an American Orchid Society Judge in October of 2022.

After a lifetime of loving, caring for and studying all kinds of indoor as well as outdoor plants, she went on to work as a professional interior house plant maintenance technician until six years ago, when she retired. Donna now works for Harold Koopowitz as his greenhouse manager and maintenance tech, is 1st V.P. of the San Fernando Valley Orchid Society, is on the American Orchid Society Board of Education and is a new member of the Orchid Digest Board of Directors.

She has had nineteen of her own plants awarded, including the one shown here. Currently she has approximately 480 sq feet of greenhouse, shade house, outdoor and interior growing areas where she has approximately 1500 orchids, and grows Cattleyas, Paphiopedilums, standard and Asian Cymbidiums, Australian Dendrobiums, Sarcocochilus, miniature and standard Vanda's, novelty Phalaenopsis orchids as well as various other genera.



The topic she will be speaking on is Australian “Dendrobiums Part 1: Den. phalaenopsis, they're evolution and culture” she will show the cultural conditions for each of the four species of Dendrobium phalaenopsis and how to grow them in your area with success.

Happy almost Summer to you all! We have had some nice weather and I hope your plants are doing well with the nice breezes we have had lately.

Plans are in the works for our Fall Show which will be at the Palos Verdes Art Center again in September. Start grooming your plants to exhibit and think about how you can help. Our members are crucial to making the show successful and we can't do it without you. There are a limited number of opportunities these days, especially in the South Bay area, to experience orchid exhibitions. We have a great opportunity to showcase the talents of our members and our society.

For those of you who are not aware, you are welcome to bring plants to each meeting to qualify for awards at the end of the year or to simply display. In addition, you have the opportunity to sell plants through our auction table process. This is a great way to share plants you have divided or have too many of, etc. If you do auction a plant successfully, the Society requests that you donate 20% of the sale to the Society.

With Charlie Brown leaving the area and resigning from the board, this month the Board approved the addition of Stephane Larouche and Bob Bond to the Board. Welcome to both of them!

Our sincere thanks to former member John Tabata for the donation of his well grown division of: *Laelia purpurata* var. *schusteriana* for our silent auction at the June 2025 meeting. We appreciate his generosity.



June 2025 RIBBON JUDGING RESULTS

Speaker's Choice: Prosthechea baculus David West

Cattleya

1st Lc. Stonehouse 'Leonard' David West
2nd Laelia purpurata var. roxo-violeta David West
3rd Cattleya luteola Joel Mendez

Cymbidium

1st Cymbidium Dorothy Stockstill Pat Jones-Kennedy
2nd Cymbidium Little Black Sambo David West
3rd Cymbidium Phar Lap 'Agua Caliente' x
Suave Sweetie David West

Dendrobium

1st Dendrobium canaliculatum Viria Walls
2nd Dendrobium Little Atro (D. atrovioleaceum x
D. normanbyense) Jasmine Bashi

Oncidium

1st Oncostele Red Silk 'HOF' Larry Bergen

Paphiopedilum

1st Phragmipedium Belle Hougue Point Don Goss
2nd Phragmipedium warszewiczianum Don Goss
3rd Paphiopedilum leucochilum x thaianum Don Goss

Phalaenopsis

1st Phalaenopsis Tying Shin Swallow x
(Yaphon Big Mouse x Fusheng's Bridal Dress) Margaret Akashi
2nd Phalaenopsis White Beauty David West
3rd Phalaenopsis 'Chingruey's Goldstaff' Margaret Akashi

Other Genera

1st Maxillaria tenuifolia Arthur Hazboun
2nd Stanhopea nigroviolacea Don Goss
3rd Disa Issy Klein Braulio Mena



Lc. Stonehouse "Leonard"



Cym. Dorothy Stockstill



Oncostele Red Silk 'HOF'



Phrag. Belle Hougue Point



Phal. Tying Shin Swallow X
(Phal. Yaphon Big Mouse X
Phal. Fusheng's Bridal Dress)



Maxillaria tenuifolia



Cym. Black Sambo



L. purpurata var. roxo-violeta



Speaker Jack Zhu on Asian Cymbidiums





Stanhopea nigroviolacea



Cattleya luteola



Paph. leucochilum x thaianum



Phal. 'Chingruey's Goldstaff'



Disa Issy Klein



Cym. Phar Lap 'Agua Caliente' x Suave Sweetie



Phrag. warszewiczianum
Grown by Don Goss



Epidendrum Serena O'Neill
Grown by Bobby Ignacio



Epidendrum parkinsonianum
Grown by Braulio Mena



Vanda Burgeffii
Grown by Arthur Hazboun



Den. Little Ato



Phal. White Beauty



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Webinars:

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 by June 30, 2025

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

July 8, 2025 Orchids under Lights – Greenhouse Not Required Join Sarah Hurdel as she discussed growing orchids under lights.
Tuesday 2:30 PM **Members Only** Register at:
<https://secure.aos.org/login?ReturnUrl=https://www.aos.org/webinars/orchids-under-lights-greenhouse-not-required>

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 by August 4, 2025

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

American Orchid Society Monthly Checklist for July and August
Written by Ned Nash and James Rose

<https://www.aos.org/orchid-care/seasonal-orchid-care/monthly-checklist-for-july-and-august>

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

- July 18, 2025
- August 15, 2025
- September 20-21 SHOW

◇ General Meetings start 6:30 PM

The next board meeting will be July 22, 2025 7:00PM

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Upcoming Orchid Events

July 18–19, 2025 Cal-Orchid Summer Hummer
Friday and Saturday 9 AM - 4 PM, NOT OPEN SUNDAY
1251 Orchid Dr., Santa Barbara
Info: <https://www.calorchid.com>

July 18-20, 2025 Santa Barbara Orchid Estates Open House
1250 Orchid Dr. Santa Barbara
Info: <https://www.sborchid.com>

July 26-27, 2025 San Diego County Orchid Society Show and Sale Sat. 12 PM – 6 PM, Sun. 10 AM – 4 PM
Balboa Park, San Diego, Casa del Prado Room 101
Info: <https://www.sdorchids.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>