



**Best of the Fall 2025 Show  
Winning Plants**

## *The INFLORESCENCE*

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Our October 17, 2025  
Guest Speaker will be  
James Roberts  
“Sarcochilus Orchids”**

James Roberts got the orchid bug in the summer of 2005 after perusing through the local library but didn't really begin growing and collecting them until 2015. Originally from Texas, James has moved around the country with his plants until settling in southern California and lives in Gardena. James grows a great diversity of plants but focuses primarily on growing cattleyas and phragmipediums. He has begun his own breeding lines and flasks orchids in his kitchen making novel hybrids. James is currently a student Judge in the Pacific South region.

### Sarcochilus Orchids

This talk will cover a broad range of topics for the sarcochilus genus. I will discuss the important species in cultivation and breeding, their habitats and geographic distribution. I will go into some detail about their breeding and how they have been able to produce various colors of yellow, orange, red, purple, pinks and some of the genetics behind it. I will also give an overview of their cultural needs and how to grow them well.



## October President's Message

by Larry Bergen

Greetings fellow orchid enthusiasts. I would like to express my appreciation to all of the members who were willing to volunteer their time at the show. Without you the show would not be possible. In addition, I would like to thank all members who brought in their gorgeous plants for display. The variety of plants, and the care in growing them were very apparent. The flowers were wonderful with the variety of colors and fragrances. The section winners looked spectacular.

At this time of year, it is time to look at your cymbidiums. You should see spikes developing. Staking all of the spikes now will lead to a well presented plant for the spring show. You might also look at removing of the old leaves.

Looking at your Cattleya's you should see new growth and roots developing. If your plant is growing over the edges of the pot, you might want to consider repotting into a slightly larger pot. I use a mixture of 45% Orchinata, 45% perlite and 10% charcoal for my mix.

For your phalenopsis it will be time soon to provide a winter chill. This will encourage spiking for next year's flowers. I usually put them out of the house for a week when the temperatures drop into the 50's. We are looking for a 15 - 20 degree temperature drop between outside and inside temperatures. Make sure to not allow water to get into the crown of the plant.

This is also a good time to begin with your pest control. I treat for scale (Neem oil), Mealy bugs (Bayer three in one), and thrips (Captain Jacks Dead Bugs). Snails and slugs are always a major issue. I have found when I first see flowers developing I put snail bait out. I have found this to be a successful method to address the damage caused by these pests.

With winter approaching, It is time to reduce watering on your collection. Dendrobiums, and Catesetums especially. If you grow out of doors, you may need to find a place to protect your plants from the cold and winter rain.

# 2025 FALL SHOW RESULTS

## BEST OF SHOW

L. purpurata ('Bion' x 'Treasures of Carpenteria')

Larry Bergen

## SECTION WINNERS

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|------|--|----------------|
| I.   | Cattleya Alliance, Bifoliate                       |                |
|      | Rlc. Andrew Francis 'Glo'                          | David Streeter |
| II.  | Cattleya Alliance, Labia Type                      |                |
|      | L. purpurata ('Bion' x 'Treasures of Carpenteria') | Larry Bergen   |
| III. | Phalaenopsis & Doritis                             |                |
|      | Phal. violacea v. 'Indigo'                         | Larry Bergen   |
| IV.  | Vanda & Allied Genera                              |                |
|      | V. Fuchs Gold x Dr. Anek 'Torsak'                  | Marlena Pacis  |
| V.   | Paphiopedilum & Phragmipedium                      |                |
|      | Paph. Doll Goldi 'Streeter's Choice' HCC/Br        | David Streeter |
| VI.  | Other Genera                                       |                |
|      | Miltonia morliana 'Surprised'                      | Don Goss       |
| VII. | Pleurothalid & Bulbophyllum                        |                |
|      | Encyclia gracilis 'Bahama'                         | David West     |

## CULTURE AWARDS

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|-----------------------------------|----------------|
| Rlc. Andrew Francis 'Glo'         | David Streeter |
| V. Fuchs Gold x Dr. Anek 'Torsak' | Marlena Pacis  |
| Scaphosepalum verrucosum          | Jim Hoyle      |



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# THE HUNTINGTON ORCHID SHOW & SALE

OCT. 17-19, 2025  
PERFECT HARMONY

9th Annual International  
Orchid Show & Sale

Featuring exhibits by growers from  
Southern California and around the world  
as well as a wide selection of orchids and  
related supplies from domestic and  
international vendors

Show and sale open 10 a.m.-5 p.m.

[huntington.org/orchid-show](http://huntington.org/orchid-show)

Orchid: *Phaiopedilum Harold Koopowitz 'Huntington's Emerald'* AM/AGS.  
Photos by Arthur Pickers.



## THE WORLD PREMIERE OF "ORCHIDÉES"

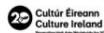
OCT. 18, 2025  
A COMPOSITION  
BY NICK ROTH  
FOR SOLO CELLO  
AND VIDEO

Exploring 100 million years of orchid  
evolution by translating its DNA into music

Featuring cellist Kate Ellis with cinematography  
by Andrew Sanchez and Brandon Tam

7 p.m. in Rothenberg Hall

[huntington.org/orchidees](http://huntington.org/orchidees)



### Welcome New Members!

We offer a warm welcome to our newest members: Jose Avonce, James Axtell, Youssef Challita, Eileen Hall, Gayle and Robin Hoeven, Nadege Labat, Marshall Lai, Debora Lem, Zahra Massoudian, Nancy Otto, Stacie Park, Josh Schertz, Kristin Verity, Catherine Waalkes, Melissa Winter, and Novelette Witt.

Please be sure to meet and help our new members to feel welcomed to SBOS.

To our new members: When you come to the next meeting, stop by the membership desk to pick up your name badge and a new member package. We will include ten free plant raffle tickets as our 'Thank You' for joining SBOS.

*Phal. violacea* f. 'Indigo'





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## Webinars:

**October 9, 2025 Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton** Thursday, 5:30 PM – 6:30 PM  
Join Dr. Ron McHatton as he answers your question about all things orchids. Please send your question and pictures to Sandra Svoboda at [greenhousechat@aos.org](mailto:greenhousechat@aos.org) by October 6, 2025 **OPEN TO ALL**

**Register at:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/226311827807842912>

**October 13, 2025 A Historical Look at Phragmipediums, What can Nature Teach us? Where and how they Grow and to be a Successful Grower** Frank Cervera

Monday 5:30 PM. Join Frank Cervera of Monster Island Orchids and Tropical Plants as he takes us to the world of Phragmipediums. Learn how and where they grow and what we need to do to grow successfully. An experienced grower and traveler, he will talk about how culture is affected by where they grow. **MEMBERS ONLY**

**Register at:** <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/9004327779319353685>

***American Orchid Society Monthly Checklist for September and October  
Written by Ned Nash and James Rose***

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

## Fall Show/Sale Thanks

A word or two of thanks to each volunteer and SBOS member and show committee who helped make our recent show a success. Special thanks to Marcy and Larry Bergen, Viria and Bob Walls, Karen Low, and Jim Hoyle for their help in getting and setting up our show supplies. Thanks to Braulio Mena, our treasurer for keeping our finances in order.

My thanks to all the vendors who participated in the show. They make it possible for us to bring you shows, events, and meetings and to help pay our bills for our monthly meetings, plant table raffle, website, and rental of the facility for our events.

Our Spring Show is scheduled for March 28 and 29 so jot down the date for future reference. Enjoy our cooler autumn weather and I will see you at the meetings.

Arthur Hazboun – Show Chair

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

- **October 17, 2025**
- **November 21, 2025**
- **December 19, 2025 Party**

◇ **General Meetings start 6:30 PM**

**The next board meeting will be October 21, 2025 7:00PM**

**Call 310-326-5405 for more Information**



**Palos Verdes Art Center 5504  
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### **Upcoming Orchid Events**

**October 4-5, 2025 Riverside/San Bernardino Counties Orchid Society's 'The Morongo Basin Orchid Festival'** Gubler Orchids 2200 Belfield Blvd. Landers, CA 92285

**October 17 – 19, 2025 Huntington International Orchid Show & Sale**  
Huntington Library, Art Galleries, and Botanical Garden 1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino  
Info: <https://www.huntington.org/orchid-show>

**October 25-26, 2025 San Diego County Orchids Society Fall Show** Saturday 12 PM – 6 PM ( sales begin at 10AM) Sunday 10 AM – 4 PM Casa del Prado Room 101, Balboa Park, San Diego  
Info: <https://www.sdorchids.com>

**December 12-14, 2025 Andy's Orchids Winter Open House** 10 AM – 4 PM  
734 Ocean View Ave. Encinitas info: <https://www.andysorchids.com>

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