



## *The INFLORESCENCE*

“Orchids for Amateurs”

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**Please join us for the Holiday Potluck Party on December 19, 2025  
at 6:30 PM at the Palos Verdes Art Center**

Please RSVP by November 30th

**Online RSVP is preferred and available at:** <https://volunteersignup.org/JP87C>

ONLINE RSVP INSTRUCTIONS:

There is no separate spot to indicate how many will be attending in your party, so after you pick what type of dish you are bringing, please enter your first and last name, you enter the number in your party in parentheses following the last name and without a space.

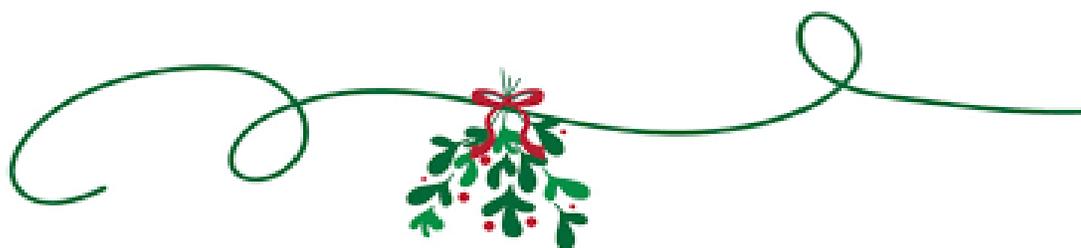
Example – Bergen(2)

If there are only two in your party, both first names can be entered, and will appear on the sign-up sheet. Example - Marcy and Larry

You also may email Charlotte Morrison at [clazarmorrison@yahoo.com](mailto:clazarmorrison@yahoo.com) or call 310-339-7330

Non-alcoholic beverages will be provided, but you may bring alcoholic drinks if you choose. Guests are welcome, but we need to know how many people are in your party so we can set up enough tables and chairs. We will also be ordering gift plants to be given out (one per membership), so you must sign up by November 30th. When you RSVP, please indicate how many will be in your party and if you will be bringing an appetizer, salad, side dish, main dish, or dessert. If you plan to bring an appetizer, please plan for an on time arrival. Thanks!

Come prepared for good food, fun times, and friends. We hope to see you there!!



***December President's Message    By Charlotte Morrison***

Happy Holidays! The board would like to express our appreciation to all of the members for another successful year for our orchid society. We had two great major events this year--our spring and fall shows. These events and our regular meetings could not be successful without all of our volunteers. We thank you for your help in continuing to make our society thrive. If you have an interest in being more involved, please let any board member know. We would love to have your input and ideas! As this year draws to a close, we already are looking ahead to the new year. Membership renewal for 2025 has begun with no changes in the dues amount. We are planning to have another show in the spring, so keep up the great growing and plan to enter your plants. I hope you learned from last month's meeting how to keep your plants safe during the winter. The December holiday potluck party is quickly approaching (see the details in this newsletter). We are looking forward to all the special foods everyone will bring and for the fun social occasion. Please plan to attend and sign up to bring your favorite dish. Guests are welcome as well. This party is a great opportunity for us to get to know other members and their families. We hope to see you there. I would like to wish everyone a great holiday season and a happy and healthy 2026. See you at the potluck!



## November 2025 RIBBON JUDGING RESULTS

**Speaker's Choice** : Lc. (Hsinying Excell X Laelia anceps) X  
Lc. Melana's Song David West

### Cattleya

1<sup>st</sup> Cattleya deckerii 'Bracht' David West  
**This is now classified as Guarianthe skinneri**  
2<sup>nd</sup> Cattleya Pink Majesty David West  
3<sup>rd</sup> Brassocattleya Richard Muller Stéphane Larouche

### Dendrobium

1<sup>st</sup> Dendrobium Chao Phaya Blue Arthur Hazboun  
2<sup>nd</sup> Dendrobium Hibiki Viria Walls

### Oncidium

1<sup>st</sup> Brassidium Kenneth Bivin 'Santa Barbara' HCC/AOS Larry Bergen  
2<sup>nd</sup> Oncidium Sharry Baby Larry Bergen

### Phalaenopsis

1<sup>st</sup> Phalaenopsis NO ID Olga Amaral

### Other Genera

1<sup>st</sup> Pleurothallis grobyi Jim hoyle  
2<sup>nd</sup> Mormodes Roehampton's Flame Stéphane Larouche  
3<sup>rd</sup> Zygopetalum mackayi David West



Mormodes  
Roehampton's  
Flame



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(Lc. Hsingying Excell X L. anceps) X Lc. Melana's Song



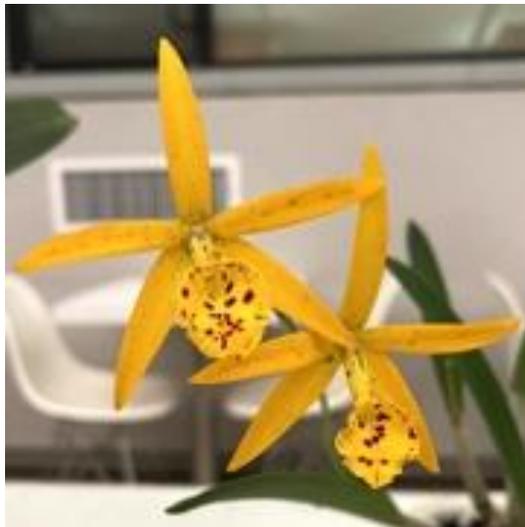
Pleurothallis grobyi



C. deckerii 'Bracht'



Phalaenopsis NO ID



Brassocattleya Richard Muller



Zygopetalum mackay



Dendrobium Chao  
Phaya Blue



Dendrobium Hibiki



Oncidium Sharry  
Baby



Cattleya Pink Majesty



LC. Rosette Warland X  
Cattleya Chocolate Drop



BRS DM. Kenneth Bivin  
'Santa Barbara' HCC/AOS

Laelia anceps San  
Bar Marble King X  
Mendenhall Stripes





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## Webinars:

**January 8, 2026 Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton** Tuesday, 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 January 5, 2026 **OPEN TO ALL**

Register at: <https://register.gotowebinar.com/register/4907462791854902111>

*American Orchid Society Monthly Checklist for November and December  
Written by Ned Nash and James Rose*

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

## Membership Renewal Time!

Time to Renew Your Membership! Our membership year runs from January 1 to December 31, so please plan to renew soon. Here is a link to the form [SBOS Renewal Form](#) and you will find it in the newsletter. There is no change in the fees this year. It is still \$20 if you have a single membership and \$25 if you have a membership for a household (2 or more people). If you want the newsletter mailed via USPS, it is an additional \$20.00 to cover the mailing cost. You may send the form and your renewal fee to Charlotte Morrison at the address listed on the form, or better yet, bring the form to the next regular meeting on January 16. Forms will also be available at the meeting. We would love to see you there! Remember the great benefits you get from being a member:

- ◆ Learn about collecting, growing, and repotting from our monthly meetings' cultural sessions
- ◆ Listen and ask questions of local, national and internationally recognized orchid experts and their fabulous photographs, techniques, and presentations
- ◆ Rub elbows with your fellow orchid enthusiast members, ask questions, exchange ideas and learn from each other
- ◆ Win ribbon awards for bringing your own orchids to the meetings; year-end winners receive a subscription to Orchid Digest
- ◆ Take home fabulous orchids at unbelievable prices through our monthly silent auctions
- ◆ Win orchid plants by participating in our monthly orchid raffle

Renew your membership soon so that your name will appear in the annual directory which will be published in the Spring.

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

- December 19, 2025 Party
- January 16, 2026
- February 20, 2026

◇ General Meetings start 6:30 PM

The next board meeting will be January 20, 2026 7:00PM

Call 310-326-5405 for more Information



Palos Verdes Art Center 5504 Crestridge Rd. Rancho Palos Verdes



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**Our Next Meeting will be December 19, 2025**

**Upcoming Orchid Events**

**December 12-14, 2025 Andy's  
Orchids Winter**

**Open House 10 AM – 4 PM**

734 Ocean View Ave. Encinitas

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