

# The BackBulb

C A R M E L O R C H I D S O C I E T Y

January 2021



## January Speaker: Scott Collins

### Lycastes

We really should grow more Lycastes, there are plants with wonderful fragrance, large showy flowers, and numerous flowers (but not all found on a same plant).

Unfortunately, many are quite large, or difficult to grow (at least for me), or expensive. But all of these should be able to be overcome and I am counting on Scott to tell us how, since I would dearly like to stop killing them and start enjoying these fabulous flowers.

This will be another Zoom meeting, 7PM Monday evening, at your place and mine, the link is in the email. Have any plants or their pictures at hand for show and tell.

Scott has been growing Orchids for over 30 years. His nursery, Echo Valley Orchids is in the rolling hills of north Monterey County. There, he grows mainly Odontoglossums, Lycastes, Cattleyas and Paphiopedilums. His plants over the years have been granted over 80 AOS quality and culture awards. He had a successful Phalaenopsis breeding program in the 1990's where many of his hybrids garnered AOS (American Orchid Society) awards. Currently, his breeding efforts are with Odontoglossums and Lycastes. Scott has been involved in the AOS judging system for 28 years and is currently a Senior Judge affiliated with the Pacific Central Judging Region of the AOS. When not involved in orchids, Scott enjoys



Lyc. Pearl Dream 'Monterey Bay' in Scott's greenhouse.

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rambling through the deserts of California with his son rock collecting. He also spends time playing in a Bluegrass band which has played together for 30 years.

## 2021 Membership Raffle

It has been 8 months since our March meeting and our last raffle. It is time for another raffle, but since we won't be having any in person meetings for the foreseeable future I thought I would steal an idea that my sister's orchid society is trying. Instead of selling tickets for a dollar a piece we will be entering everybody that sends in their dues. Instead of drawing winners from a hat, everyone will get a plant, the people that send in their dues first get first pick. The rules are:

- Eligibility: New and renewing members who send in their dues from the time of the show, Nov. 13th, to the 1st of February.
- Your dues postmark will determine you place in the picking order. Ties will be decided by coin flip, dice throw or drawing raffle tickets depending on the number of people involved.
- Everybody will get a plant, or a gift certificate from a well known nursery, I am thinking of Andy's Orchids right now. Many of the plants will come from Carol Easton's collection via Carolyn Salmon.
- I will post photos and anything else we know about the plants online, in late January, to make it possible for members to choose their plants.
- Pickup arrangements are TBD.

So send in those dues and get a plant! Do it now or you may not have much of a choice.

*Lycaste deppesii*  
from Carolyn  
Salmon



## Upcoming Events

### January

1/4 Monday 7PM, COS January meeting.

12/15 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom

## C A R M E L O R C H I D S O C I E T Y

### 2021 Membership Application

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