

The BackBulb

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

January 2013



January Speaker: Dennis Olivas

Cymbidium Companion Plants: Particularly Australian Dendrobiums and Mexican Laelias

Dennis Olivas is the co-owner of D&D Flowers in Half Moon Bay. Born and raised on the Island of Kauai, Dennis has been raising orchids since he was a teenager. He has participated in the San Francisco Orchid Show since 1984, has served as the President of the San Francisco and Peninsula Orchid Society and is a member of more than 15 orchid societies. He has served as a board member for most and does advisory work for the various orchid shows and auctions. Dennis is an active judge of the American Orchid Society and has registered numerous crosses and won numerous awards for the AOS. He maintains a wonderful collection of many genera, including Paphs, Phrags, Cattleyas, Masdevallias and assorted other species and hybrids. His favorites are Masdevallias, including some very high awarded clines, and Catts, of which a favorite must be Lc. Dennis Olivas, a Laelia anceps hybrid which is beautifully splashed with yellow and red as well as being outdoor temperature tolerant in this area. All this is grown in an unheated greenhouse in Half Moon Bay, open only a few times per year when it gets too bulging at the seams to support everything in it!

The next meeting is on **Monday January 7th, 7PM** at the Community Church of Monterey Peninsula. 4590 Carmel Valley Rd.



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In order to provide a better selection of treats at our meetings, the board is asking members with last names that start with the letter **S thru Z** to **bring refreshments** to our January meeting.

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Upcoming Events

January

1/7 Monday, COS January Meeting

1/26-27 Peninsula Orchid Society Show, Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave. Redwood City.

February

2/4 Monday, COS February Meeting

2/21-24 POE! Pacific Orchid Exposition at the Fort Mason Center, San Francisco. Gala Thursday night. Over 50 vendors!

January Reflections

January is traditionally a time to reflect back on the old year and make resolutions for the new year. The media is currently full of best, worst, most this or least that of 2012 many these

reflections seem to be filler

that go mostly unread. And it seems that resolutions long ago became a cliché that nobody expects to keep. Despite this I still feel that the beginning of the new year is a good time for some reflection and the making of a few resolutions.

- We didn't do a show in 2012, the events we did were not very successful in raising money (it's hard to make money selling plants) but gained us valuable exposure. We need to do our own show in 13 and have a presence at the other events for the exposure.
- We need to work harder at publicity. Unfortunately none of us on the board are good at this and hiring a publicist is expensive.
- The board is in need of fresh faces. I think a few of us are approaching burnout, and we need help. It takes a fair bit of work to run the society and it is all on the shoulders of a few



Angraecum germinyanum

people, without them we would not have: programs, shows, greenhouse tours, a newsletter or website, there would be no society. So please if you care about the programs, shows, greenhouse tours, newsletter, website, this group of orchid lovers, please volunteer to shoulder some of the load, it's not too difficult and we serve good wine at the board meetings.

- I would like more transparency in the workings of the board, so this year I would like to start publishing the minutes of our meetings in the newsletter. It might not be exciting reading, but you should know what we are doing.
- Personally, I once again resolve to water less. One of these years maybe I will be able to keep this one.

John

Show and tell at the December meeting.



San Francisco Pacific Orchid Exposition

If you haven't been to POE before you need to go. If you have been before this looks like a good year to return. 50+ vendors, an exhibit are full of the most exotic orchids you can imagine, 14 seminars, and a wild wine, food and 1st chance to buy gala on Thursday night. Parking is a perennial issue but there are many reasonable hotels on Lombard St. within walking distance.

When: February 21-24, 2013

Thursday, February 21: Gala Benefit Preview, 6:30 – 10:00 pm

Friday, February 22: 10 am – 6 pm

Saturday, February 23: 9 am – 6 pm

Sunday, February 24: 10 am – 5 pm

Where: Fort Mason Center's Festival Pavilion, San Francisco, Ca

Cost

\$13 online/\$15 at door

Seniors \$10 online/\$12 at door

16 years & under Free accompanied w/adult (except Gala)

Gala \$40 online/\$45 at door

Weekend Pass \$55, includes Gala & unlimited access to the show (excludes special

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events)

3 day Pass \$25

Seminar Schedule

Friday

11:00 am Dennis Olivas, "Companion orchids to grow with Cymbidiums"

12:30 pm Sergio Garcia, "Laelia and Cattleya orchids"

2:00 pm Mary Gerritsen, "Masdevallias-selected species and tips for growing them"

3:30 pm Chris Mende, "Making Paphiopedilum Happy"

Saturday

10:00 am. Michael Ooi, "The orchid experience of Malaysia"

11:15 am. Roy Tokunaga, "Latouria Dendrobiums"

12:30 pm Peter Tobias, "Orchid conservation efforts in South America"

2:00 pm Holger Perner, "Paphiopedilum: their cultivation and propagation"

3:30 pm Paul Isley "Why Tillandsias are the ultimate horticultural companion for orchids"

Sunday

9:30 am Angelic Nguyen, "Fragrant orchids"

11:00 am Jeff Harris, "Orchid photography"

12:30 pm Matt Wei-Yi Chen, "Chinese Cymbidiums"

2:00 pm Dan Arcos, "Growing bromeliads outdoors in the Bay area"

3:30 pm Janet Lamborn, "Orchid virus detection: with Agdia's help you can do it!"

CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY

2013 Membership Application

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Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

Cymbidium Orchid Auction

Friday, January 18, 2013

Auction 7:00 PM

Registration & Preview 6:30-7:00 PM

**San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way
San Mateo, CA 94403**

**Beautiful Cymbidiums and their
Companions, Including In Spike,
Rarely Available, and Show &
Award Winners!**

- 200 Plant Entries
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Cym. Hot Devon 'Bird of Paradise' AD/CSA
Photo by Darrel Wong

Catalog & Photos will be Available after January 7, 2013 at:

www.GoldCoastCymbidiumGrowers.com

Email Questions or Inquiries to bacyms@yahoo.com or call (510) 582-5896

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Show & Sale

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Acanthephippium mantinianum
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Rhyncholaeliocattleya
Hybrid

THE LION
Bulbophyllum medusae

The Fawn
Bulbophyllum grandiflorum

JABBERWOCK
Dendrobium spectabile

RED KNIGHT
Phragmipedium besseae
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RED KING
Cymbidium Hybrid

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