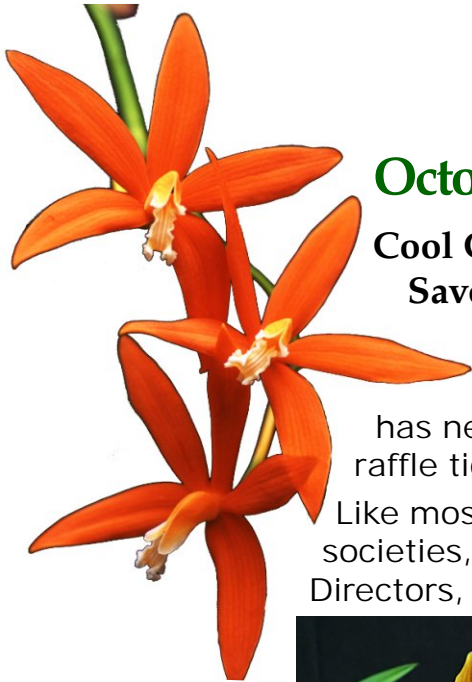


# The BackBulb

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

October 2018



## October Speaker: Audrey Young-Tarter

### Cool Growing Orchids for your Backyard and How to Save Your Marriage

After 24 years of collecting, blooming and killing over 2,500 orchids, Audrey acknowledges that it has never since been that easy as buying that first orchid raffle ticket!

Like most beginners, she immediately joined too many orchid societies, was too easily talked into serving on Board of Directors, as Newsletter Editor, Show Chair Person, Webmaster,

and Facebook editor. She kept collecting so many orchids, that her husband finally said "No! No more orchids in the bedroom! Either you sleep here, or they do!" Audrey realized she needed Orchid Rehab, and sold, gave and tossed away plants until she could move what was left into a greenhouse rental AND her backyard on shelving and some protected cover.

Come listen to her speak on "Cool Growing Orchids for your Backyard and How to Save Your Marriage".

Audrey Provides the Opportunity Table Where Half of them are not her Beloved Cymbidiums. Really!



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## Fall Orchid Festival

Carmel Orchid Society

Friday - Saturday Oct. 26<sup>th</sup> & 27<sup>th</sup>  
9AM - 4PM

*Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula*  
4590 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel CA



CarmelOrchidSociety.org

In order to provide a selection of treats at our meetings, we are asking members with last names that start with the letter **G thru L** to **bring refreshments** to the next meeting.

## COS Officers

### President

John OConnell

### VP Program

Jerry Loomis

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### Secretary

Janette Ford

### Treasurer

Daniel Bellem

### Directors

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Susan Holm

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Carolyn Salmon

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## BackBulb Editor & Webmaster

John OConnell

## Upcoming Events

### October

10/1 Monday COS October meeting

10/25 Thursday Show setup

10/26-27 Friday-Saturday COS Fall Orchid Festival

### November

11/3-4 Cal Orchid, Open House, Santa Barbara, CA, 9 am - 5 pm

11/5 Monday COS November meeting

11/17-18 Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Show and Sale, Santa Barbara Museum of Natural History

### December

12/8 Saturday COS Holiday Party (More details next month)



## Fall Means

### Chores, Our show, and Pleading for more board members

We haven't had any hot weather yet, but fall is definitely in the air with shorter days and cooler night time temperatures. It is about time to start my annual "water less" effort. Its hard to neglect your orchids, but they really do seem to do better if you try to let go and not be a

"helicopter parent". Fall is also time to cut back on the fertilizer, readjust the shade cloth, pull the greenhouse heater out of mothballs, check the plants for any in urgent need of repotting... Seems like a long list but "winter is coming" (GOT anyone??) and we must be ready.

Fall also means that is is time for our annual Fall Orchid Festival which means that it's time to get involved. Working on shows is one of the most rewarding things you can do with

this society. Lots of fabulous plants, lots of interesting orchid people, lots of different things to do: orchid selling, flower arranging, cooking, potting demonstrations, as well as plenty of moving tables and chairs while setting up and tearing down, you get the idea. We will be asking for volunteers at the meeting next Monday.

Speaking of rewarding jobs... we are looking for a few new board members, no experience necessary, no orchid expertise necessary, minimum requirements are an ability to attend board meetings (usually every month) extra points for skills in, or willingness to work on: publicity, membership, show direction, art work (for the show mainly), newsletter production, essay writing for the newsletter, rounding up speakers for our meetings, organizing social events, and the list goes on and on. The sad truth of volunteer organizations like ours is that a small number of people do most all of the work of running the organization. Over the years that group doesn't change much and consequentially people start to burn out, we keep recycling the same old ideas, we lose some of the enthusiasm that brought us to the board in the first place. New people bring new ideas, new enthusiasm, and some relief to people who have been doing the same job for years.

I would like to recognize all of the people who have served on the board in the last 10 years (with the number of years served and the offices held after their name):

Carol Easton (10) Show chairman, President,

membership

Lesley Olsen (10)

Janette Ford (9) Secretary

John OConnell (9) President, VP, BackBulb editor, web site

Daniel Bellem (7) Treasurer

Kathie Ritter (7) President, VP, Show chairman

Jeanette Brown (6)

Lory Schluez (5)

Carolyn Salmon (4)

Susan Holm (4)

Frances Richardson (3)

Jerry Loomis (3) VP

Ken Ashton (3) Treasurer, BackBulb Editor

Sharon Ashton (3)

Elizabeth Coelho (2)

Evelyn Anzini (2)

Jaclyn Kinney (2)

Joanie Linares (2) VP, Show chairman

Marilyn Uribe (2) Secretary

Shirley West (2)

Mimi Schramm (1)

A couple of notes:

\* Several of these people (Carol, Carolyn, Ken, and Shirley) served in the years prior to 2009.

\* Carol Easton has been on the board every year since 2002 (and probably more before that).

Thank you, there would not be a Carmel Orchid Society without you!

**John OConnell (Current President, BB editor, website guru)**

## Sell Your Orchids

If your orchid garden or greenhouse is overflowing, dividing and/or selling some of your plants at the fall show is a good way to make room for more orchids! Or if others have envied some of your plants at "show and tell" maybe you could make a little money by dividing that specimen. Members (only members please) of COS are encouraged to bring plants from their collections to sell. Here are a few guidelines for sales:

1. Plants should be disease and pest free.
2. Fill out sales tags as completely as possible (they are included with this newsletter). Plants that have a picture attached and have as much information about the plant as possible sell better. Attach the tag to your plant securely with masking tape or on a stick. If you have several plants, it is always a good idea for

you to keep a list of the names and prices of the plants you bring.

3. COS will keep 25% of each sale as a part of our fundraiser. Price your plants accordingly, but remember that affordable plants sell first. Volunteers who will be at the sales table will not change prices on your plants, so if your plant is not selling, you may want to stop by the table during the show to change the price.
4. Plants can be brought to the church (show location) on Thursday afternoon, October 25. If you cannot bring them until Friday, we will set them out for sale in the order as they are received. You will need to pick up any unsold plants at 4PM on Saturday.

I look forward to finding some real gems to purchase among the member's orchids!

**Janette Ford, Member's sales chair**

## Show Off Your Orchids!

One of the major attractions of an Orchid Show is the members display. As usual this year we will have a special display of many varieties of blooming orchids at the Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula where we have our meetings. In order to create the splendor of orchids for which the Carmel Orchid Society is famous, we need your contributions!

The display will be assembled on Thursday afternoon in the Hall where we have our meetings. Plants should be

brought to the Hall after noon on October 25th. The show opens at 9am on Friday morning, and the display must be in place.

Members are requested to bring their plants in an attractive container or basket. The plants must have the leaves cleaned and free of pests as the volunteers will not be able to do this. The Society volunteers will place a sign on the plant stating its name, lineage, etc. If you cannot bring the plants in yourself, please contact Carol Easton at 595-5254 and we will try to arrange a



pickup. Last minute additions may be accepted before 9am on Friday if space is available.

At the conclusion of the show the display will be disassembled and the plants will be available from where the Display Area tables were located during the show. No plants are available until 4:15 pm on Saturday, October 27th.

The Guidelines that have been adopted for the Carmel Orchid Society Fall Orchid Festival include:

1. All plants are pest and disease free.
2. The leaves are clean and attractive.
3. Plant is blooming to display its special attributes.
4. Pot is provided with an outer container.
5. Plants must be staked and secured

## Fund the Society

As we prepare for our fall show please think about what you can donate for our "silent auction" which last year was changed to a "buy it now" presentation. This is a major source of income for our society, so please think of things that would be appropriate and attractive. Keep in mind that folks come to the show because of the orchids, but hopefully they will be interested in or may have friends who are interested in purchasing other things. Our donations will be impulse buys, so let's make them attractive. If you clean out closets and find things you no longer need or use, try to dress them up a bit: add a tillandsia to an old cup and saucer, put an artificial flower sprig in a vase, plant a tiny succulent in a dish, or prepare a

appropriately.

Members must pick up their plants promptly at 4:15pm on Saturday, October 27th. We must be out of the Hall early Saturday evening. Nothing can be left at the Church. We urge you to come a little early to help us by assisting with clean up. . Many hands make light work for all! See you there!



theme basket – tea time, coffee break, wine and cheese, etc. Besides making a "buy me" statement, remember that people want to think they are getting a deal. Although last year's sale was successful, there were comments that perhaps some items were priced too low. If you purchase something to donate remember that folks can probably purchase the same thing for the same price elsewhere, so either pack it in a basket with other items or be willing to have it priced lower than you paid for it. To help those who will be pricing the items for sale, please give a suggested value. If you are purchasing items and want to have a receipt of donated items for tax purposes, please check with Daniel Bellem, our treasurer.

## **COS Board of Directors Meeting 9/17/18**

Meeting called to order at 7:15 at Carol's house.

Members Present: John O'Connell, Carol Easton, Daniel Bellem, Janette Ford, Carolyn Salmon and Susan Holm.

Previous Minutes: Minutes from the August 13 meeting were presented. Daniel moved and Susan seconded to accept the minutes.

Treasurer's Report: Daniel reported that the balance at the beginning of August was \$8617.48 and at the end of the month was \$8562.48. Report accepted by acclamation.

V.P. Report: Jerry was not present, but has scheduled Audrey Tarder to be with us in October to talk about cymbidiums and Dan Newman will be our speaker in November.

### **Old Business:**

Carol reviewed changes and new information on the project plan for the fall show. Daniel will plan to put up smaller road signs along Carmel Valley Road (four to six signs) if we can get proper permission for placing them. He also spent \$56.19 to change dates on larger road signs. Carol has reviewed advertising contacts with Kathie Ritter and Jerry Loomis and the three of them will make those contacts. Dean Hung will not be able to participate as a vendor this year nor will Scarves for a Cause. LaLa Orchids from Los Angeles has contacted Carol and plans to be with us. We have not had a firm response from Rana Creek nursery. Rising International has expressed

interest in coming again. Carol will follow through with them. Marilyn Uribe has offered to help with the silent auction/buy it now sale.

Carolyn checked with Pat Landee about a date for the Christmas party. Pat said Saturday, Dec. 8, would be best for her. We decided to set the time from 12:00 to 3:00. Carol will check with Sue Hamilton to see if she can provide a raffle table for us.

### **New Business:**

We briefly discussed board member nominees for next year. Hopefully the current members will stay on and we will check with a couple new members who have indicated an interest in being more active.

Since the last board meeting John had received an email from Mary Gerritsen asking if COS would like to purchase a minimum of ten of her books, A Bay Area Guide to Orchids and their Culture, at a reduced cost. We voted to purchase ten to have for sale at our show.

Next meeting will be will be October 15 at Carol's house.

Meeting adjourned at 8:25.

**Respectfully submitted, Janette Ford**



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## Free Greenhouses!

One of our members is moving next year and needs to find a new home fore these greenhouses. The one on the right is 9 feet 8 inches long, 8 feet 1 inch wide and 7 feet 10 inches tall, made by Gardener's Supply Company. The one on the left is 8 feet 1 inch long, 6 feet inch wide and 6 feet 8 inches tall, and is from Costco. I have the original instruction from both greenhouses, both are 20 years old. The catch is you have to take them down and take them away. Contact Alan Rossing (831)372-8858 alan1060rr@juno.com



## CARMEL ORCHID SOCIETY

### 2018 Membership Application

Please make checks payable to the **Carmel Orchid Society** and mail to: Carmel Orchid Society - Membership c/o Carol Easton, P.O. Box 223462 Carmel CA 93922-3462

Please print

Date \_\_\_\_\_

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_

Email address \_\_\_\_\_

If you were referred by a current member, please provide

his/her name \_\_\_\_\_

Renewal ☐ New Member ☐

Member of the American Orchid Society ☐

Membership Type	Receive Newsletter	
	Via E-Mail	Via US Mail
Single	\$25 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$30 <input type="checkbox"/>
Couple	\$35 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$40 <input type="checkbox"/>
Vendor	\$35 <input type="checkbox"/>	\$40 <input type="checkbox"/>



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Print this page for your CVGS member plant sales tags. Fill out 1 tag per plant and attach to the plant. Use the "plant id" field to give each plant a unique code, so you know what you sold.





Fall  
Orchid  
Festival  
presented by the  
Carmel Orchid Society

Friday, Saturday  
October  
26 & 27  
9am - 4pm

Orchid Sales  
Orchid Display  
Silent Auction  
Orchid Care Classes  
Potting Demonstrations

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4590 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel CA  
[CarmelOrchidSociety.org](http://CarmelOrchidSociety.org)

Orchid Society of Santa Barbara presents

# *Orchid Safari Show & Sale*

Santa Barbara Museum  
of Natural History  
2559 Puesta del Sol Road,  
Santa Barbara, CA 93105

**Saturday Nov. 17**  
**10 am - 5 pm**  
**Sunday Nov. 18**  
**10 am - 3 pm**

**Vendors:**  
Orchid Design  
Marcel's Orchids  
Orchids of Los Osos  
Ambriz Kingdom of Plants  
*info: <http://orchidsb.org/>*



**Museum admission:**  
Adult (18-64 years) \$12  
Senior (65+ years) \$8  
Teen (13-17 years) \$8  
Child (2-12 years) \$7  
Child (under 2 years) Free  
**Sunday is FREE!**

AOS, CSA & Ribbon Judging • Spectacular Displays • Beautiful Orchid Sales

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