

# The BackBulb

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June 2020



## Still Stuck at Home with My Orchids

Well here it is almost June and things don't seem much different from Mid March. The temperatures are higher, different orchids are blooming and a few restaurants and businesses are tentatively opening up. But people are still standing 6 feet apart in lines, we are now wearing face masks in public places, I am still working from home and we still don't have any good idea when social gatherings and meetings will be able to happen. Everybody seems to be sick of hunkering down, but a significant number of us are still reluctant to throw caution to the wind and embrace humanity no matter what the risks and eventual costs may be. And since most orchid people are older and wiser we are will continue to use Zoom for Friday afternoon Orchid Happy Hours (March 29, June 12, 26 July 10, every other week) and postpone live in person meetings until later this summer. The virtual meetings are a lot less formal and I think most of us have a great time, join us if you can. I send out details and a link to the meeting a couple of days before the event. Also please join us in showing your flowers on Instagram, several of us have been posting pictures with the hashtag #carmelorchidsociety, nice flowers most every day.

**John**



*Coelogyne nitida*, grown in Kathie Ritters greenhouse

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## June

6/12 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom

6/26 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom

## July

7/10 Friday 5PM Orchid Happy Hour on Zoom



*Coelogyne cristata* grandiflora grown outside by Kathie Ritter





**Left:** *Coelogene tomentosa*, from Kathie Ritter's greenhouse.  
**Below:** *Laelia Santa Barbara Sunset* which Kathie grows outside



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