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HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER No. 2010-08

HOS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, August 11, 2010
Time/Place: 7:30 p.m. at Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria
(Register your plants for judging by 7:00 p.m.)
Program: **Potting Orchids My Way**
Speaker: Mel Waki

Mel Waki will reveal his techniques for potting orchids and will include the formulation of his orchid mix and the planting of orchids from keikis to flowering plants. Members and guests will have an opportunity to plant orchid seedlings using his mix. He will also conduct an open discussion of the *Calanthe vestita* that was planted by members and guests at the July meeting. If your *Calanthe* has died, bring it to the meeting for discussion and exchange it for a live plant. Check out www.honoluluorchidsociety.org to see a similar picture of the *Calanthe vestita*.

MAHALO NUI LOA

Thank you Tom Uyesugi for your generous donation of the *Calanthe vestita* bulbs which enabled the HOS to have this hands-on planting session. Thank you Mel Waki for your excellent presentation on the *Calanthe vestita*. Everyone present accepted the challenge of potting their own; and take it home to grow. Hopefully a journal will be kept of the plants progress, visualizing it will continue to grow and bloom. Members are encouraged to report back at subsequent meetings the status of their plants. We also thank the Refreshment Committee and following members who brought in goodies to share at the July meeting - Dorothy & Harry Abe - Hayden Mango; Audrey Yatsutake & Barry DeBlake - Mystery Cake ; Laura & Hilton Lui - Croissant Pig in the Blanket, Carol De Witt - Korean Kimbap (Sushi); Williette Wong - Haupia Fruit Salad; Charlotte Yamamoto - Mango Bread; Refreshment Committee - Butter Croissant Bread Pudding and Chilled Beverages.

BEREAVEMENTS. July was a sad month for our orchid ohana with the passing of Marion Oka and Florence Chitose Kodama. We offer our deepest sympathy to their families.

Marion Oka was the wife of Edwin Oka. She always accompanied Ed to all orchid meets and was always present, giving him moral support whenever he set up the Miniature Displays or helped at various orchid shows.

Florence Chitose Kodama, wife of Ben Kodama, Sr. and mother of HOS Trustee Ben Kodama, Jr. was small in stature, but a giant of a woman working quietly and supporting her husband for 60+ years. She was an extraordinary woman who

took care of her family and nursery, always content to stay in the background whenever she accompanied her husband in the world of orchids.

The Kodama Family has asked the Honolulu Orchid Society to establish a fund in Memory of Mrs. Florence Chitose Kodama. The Kodama Family will not accept any koden (monetary gift), but wishes that contributions be sent instead to the Honolulu Orchid Society, Inc., P.O. Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-0558. Please write checks payable to HOS and notated "In Memory of Mrs. Florence Chitose Kodama". The fund will be used to promote the culture of orchids in Hawaii.

NEWS FLASH!

Honolulu Orchid Society's 71st Annual Orchid Show & Plant Sale "Universe of Orchids" will be held on Friday, October 8, 2010 (9 am to 6 pm), Saturday, October 9, 2010 (9 am to 6 pm) through Sunday, October 10, 2010 (9 am to 3 pm with plant sales closing at 2 pm) at Washington Middle School Cafeteria, 1633 South King Street. Admission is FREE. Ample parking with easy access from South King Street just before Zippy's. Orchid Culture Lectures are as follows:

Friday, Oct 8, 2010 - 11:00 am - Dendrobium Orchid Culture
2:00 pm - Phalaenopsis Orchid Culture

Saturday, Oct 9, 2010 - 11:00 am - Honohono Orchid Culture
2:00 pm - Cattleya Orchid Culture

Sunday, Oct 10, 2010 - 11:00 am - General Orchid Culture

TIME IS OF ESSENCE SINCE THE SHOW WILL BE IN APPROXIMATELY 10 WEEKS AND THE SHOW COMMITTEE NEEDS TO PLAN EVENTS ACCORDINGLY. WE TRULY NEED HELP TO MAKE THIS SHOW A BIG SUCCESS! Soooooo-----PLEASE VOLUNTEER YOUR TIME, MUSCLES AND KNOW HOW'S. WE WILL HAVE VOLUNTEER SIGN UP SHEETS AT THE AUGUST MEETING. IF YOU WILL NOT BE AT THE GENERAL MEETING, BUT WOULD LIKE TO HELP AT THE SHOW, PLEASE CALL CAROL AT 845-3749 OR 845-1494 OR CALL WILLIETTE AT 488-2262.

Check out the beautiful show poster created by our Na Okika Editor, Inez Brunson, on the website.

SAFARI INTO THE WILD: A Safari to Waimanalo will be held on **Sunday, August 22, 2010**. The safari will include visits to Puanani Orchids and H&R Nurseries. Those interested in going on this safari are to meet at **9:00 am** at **Lanakila Elementary School**, instead of Liliha Bakery. Carpool is encouraged and bring your \$\$\$\$. Aiea Orchid Club members will be joining HOS members.

Membership Meeting: The general membership meeting for September will be held at Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria on **Wednesday, September 8, 2010 at 7:30 pm**. Program to be announced.

August Officer and Board of Trustees Meeting: The Board Meeting will be held on **Tuesday, August 10, 2010 at 7:00 p.m.** at Aiea Elementary School in a classroom behind the cafeteria. **All board members should attend to finalize show plans.**

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