

HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER No. 2020-09

HOS GENERAL MEETING

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2020
Time/Place: 7:00 p.m. through Zoom Video Conference online
Program: Traditional uses & conservation strategies of epiphytic orchids in Oaxaca, Mexico
Speaker: Julia Douglas

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Honolulu Orchid Society's September 2020 General Membership Meeting is being held through a different venue since we are not able to physically meet together. We will be meeting, listening and interacting with our special speaker, Julia Douglas, through Zoom Video Conference online.

Julia Douglas, Graduate Student at UH Manoa, will be making a PowerPoint presentation with photos and figures from her research. The title seems pretty self-explanatory. She will be talking about how indigenous Oaxacan Mexicans use native epiphytic orchids in everyday life as well as ways that we can help preserve these precious species.

Guests are more than welcome. **Members and guests who wish to attend must register for the meeting by September 8, 2020. Registration details will be provided separately soon.**

Lucky number door prizes will be given out at the end of the meeting. Winners must be present to win.

Some HOS members did not provide a current email address when they renewed membership for 2020 possibly because they do not have a computer or did not want to share their address. There is more information being provided electronically and we would like to share the info with you. Members who have provided an email address, but need to update it also need to contact HOS. Please contact Carol De Witt at seabreeze808@outlook.com or call her at 597-4087 to provide your email address or to update your information.



HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY's 81st ANNUAL SHOW AND PLANT SALES IS CANCELLED! It is with great sadness that we will not be able to host our annual show in October 2020 at Washington Middle School due to the circumstances we are all experiencing with COVID 19. Hopefully we will come out stronger next year and rules and regulations will be established for future public functions at the school. In the meantime, continue to enjoy your plants at home, stay strong and healthy, and please wear your masks when out and about to protect yourselves and others from this pandemic situation and wash your hands and don't touch your face! Take care! Keep safe!

MAHALO NUI LOA

Mahalo Dr. Amjad Ahmad for your interesting presentation of "Evolution of Greenhouses in Hawaii Agriculture". We hope some members, friends or guests will challenge themselves into building the greenhouse to keep out insects that can infest your plants and gardens, which will reduce the usage of insecticides.

Mahalo to the **membership** for continuing to being safe and taking care of your health during these trying times we are experiencing with this coronavirus. We appreciate your patience and understanding and one day we will once again be able to gather and enjoy our membership meetings.

2020 ORCHIDIST OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS. Do you know any of our current membership who qualifies as Orchidist of the Year????? Nominations are now being accepted for 2020 Orchidist of the Year. Nominations need to be submitted by Monday, November 30, 2020 to give the HOS Board ample time to review on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. Submit written justification that showcase the individual's attributes of outstanding and unselfish service and valuable contributions to the Society that qualifies the person as Orchidist of the Year 2020. Mail to Honolulu Orchid Society, P O Box 558, Honolulu HI 96809-0558 Attn: Orchidist of the Year; or email to our President, Brad Lau at bradlau23@gmail.com. .

ORCHIDIST OF THE DECADE NOMINATIONS. Do you know any of our current membership who qualifies as Orchidist of the Decade????? Nominations are now being accepted for 2020 Orchidist of the Decade. Nominations need to be submitted by Monday, November 30, 2020 to give the HOS Board ample time to review on Tuesday, December 8, 2020. Submit written justification that showcase the individual's outstanding attributes and long standing service that qualifies the person as Orchidist of the Decade 2020. This distinguished service award is to recognize and honor a member who has continuously served for the betterment of advancement of the Honolulu Orchid Society, Inc., in an outstanding manner for the preceding decade. The award will be given once every ten years. More than one Orchidist may be recognized during a decade. Mail to Honolulu Orchid Society, P O Box 558, Honolulu HI 96809-0558 Attn: Orchidist of the Year; or email to our President, Brad Lau at bradlau23@gmail.com. .

The Orchidist of the Year 2020 and The Orchidist of the Decade 2020 will be announced at the 2021 Annual Business & General Membership Meeting in January 2021.