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HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY MONTHLY NEWSLETTER No. 2021-10



“Warm Growing Oncidiinae and How to Choose Them”

Presented by
Glen Barfield



HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY ZOOM MEETING

7:00 PM, Wednesday, October 13, 2021

OPEN TO THE PUBLIC

Must register in advance to join the meeting

Click here to register: **REGISTRATION**

Deadline for registration is Tuesday, October 12, 2021

Visit the HOS website at www.honoluluorchidsociety.org

October 2021 Electronic Newsletter

**HOS welcomes members of all
Orchid Groups and the public to
the October 2021 General
Membership meeting.**

Glen Barfield from the Big Island will be the featured speaker during the October 13, 2021 General Membership Meeting of the Honolulu Orchid Society. He owns a nursery in Glenwood, Mountain View called OrchidNursery.com. His passion is orchid breeding primarily oncidinae intergenerics and miltoniopsis with an occasional zygotetulum or masdevallia. Almost all of **Glen's** breeding efforts are directed toward the pot plant market. Those are the plants you see at the grocery store or the big box retailer. **Glen** is an American Orchid Society Judge. He and his wife

THIS YEAR'S HOS SHOW IS CANCELED!

Just in case you missed the news, our Annual Orchid Show and Plant Sale that was scheduled for October 15-17, 2021, at the Washington Middle School Cafeteria has been canceled due to COVID-19. Hopefully, we will come out stronger next year. In the meantime, continue to enjoy your plants at home, stay strong and healthy, and please follow the COVID guidelines regarding mask wearing, social distancing and hand washing. Take care and keep safe.

MAHALO NUI LOA

Mahalo to all who attended last month's virtual membership meeting "**We're Back! Update on Honolulu Orchid Society Judging Program**" presented by **Brad Lau** through Zoom. Thank you **Brad** for your awesome presentation of what we orchid growers need to do to make our plants hopefully qualify for a merit award

Thank you **Roy Andrade** for donating 20 dendrobium orchid plants for the plant giveaway.

We also thank **Dennis Enomoto** for donating three Cattleya hybrids in memory of his father and HOS member **Tadashi Enomoto** of Waipahu who passed away in May 23, 2020 at the age of 107. The plants were offered at a Special Zoom Auction during the September Meeting. One of the plants (Rlc. Norman's Bay 'Lucille' FCC AOS) sold for more than \$200.

NEW MEMBERS

We welcome our newest 2021 HOS Member: **Jamie Elwood** of Honolulu and **Taylor Yatsuoka** of Kailua.

CONGRATULATIONS

HOS members **Eddie Peltier**, **Ian Sandison** and **Jan Takamiya** have met their Student Judge requirements and were unanimously approved by the HOS Board of Trustees to advance to Probationary Judges in the HOS Judging System. We thank you for your dedication and willingness to learn all aspects of HOS Judging and continue on to the next level. Congratulations!

2021 ORCHIDIST OF THE YEAR NOMINATIONS

Time sure flies. We need to start thinking.....do you know who of our current membership should be Orchidist of the Year? **Nominations are now being accepted for 2021 Orchidist of the Year. Nominations need to be submitted by Tuesday, October 31, 2021 to give the HOS Board ample time to review and make a selection on Tuesday, November 9, 2021.** Submit written justification that showcase the individual's outstanding attributes that qualifies the person as Orchidist of the Year 2021. 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.

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Electronic Newsletters

To save on postage and reproduction costs and keeping with "Go Green" initiatives, HOS will no longer mail paper copies of newsletters except to members who do not have email addresses.

HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY JUDGING

The **Honolulu Orchid Society's** second Orchid Judging of 2021 was conducted at the Lanakila Senior Center on Saturday, September 18. Twelve plants were brought in and registered for judging. All the plants were screened and three were judged and received awards by the Judging Team. The awarded plants are shown below.

The next HOS Judging Session will be held on Saturday, October 16, 2021 at the Lanakila Senior Center. Members and guests are encouraged to bring their orchid plants for judging. You do not need to be a member of HOS to have your plants judged.

Everyone entering the **Lanakila Senior Center** MUST WEAR A MASK and KEEP SOCIAL DISTANCE. There is a maximum limit of 10 people that can be in the room at one time. THOSE BRINGING IN PLANTS TO THE HOS JUDGING SESSION WILL BE ADVISED TO DROP OFF THEIR PLANTS AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE LANAKILA SENIOR CENTER AND RETURN LATER TO PICK UP THEIR PLANTS. Plants need to be dropped off between 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM to be registered. If there are any questions, call **Mel Waki** (391-0144) or **Brad Lau** (295-8062).



Rlc.Fatari 'Carmela' AM HOS
Owner: Pam Waki



Phrag. Acker's Dancer
'Pacific Heights' AM HOS
Owner: Kate Leonard & Ian Sandison



Rlc.Shinfong Gold Gem 'Golden Jewel' AM HOS
Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura

OrchidWiz Encyclopedia X8

The OrchidWiz Orchid Encyclopedia recently released its latest Version X8 which now includes all Honolulu Orchid Society (HOS) merit awards from 1980 to 2020. HOS awards from 1980 through 1998 and 2020 were added to the latest version.

ORCHID RESCUE AND CLEANUP PROJECT

Twenty-three HOS members and friends met at **Lokoea Farms** in Haleiwa on Sunday morning, September 19, 2021. The purpose of the visit was to collect any surviving orchids on the farm and to clean up the green house and orchid growing areas. The orchids were collected and grown by **Dr. Lenora Lorenzo** who passed away in July 2018. She had a robust collection of all genera of orchids. Her daughter **Noe Neumann** who operates **Lokoea Farms** invited HOS to take any orchids that were still alive. **Noe** needed the space to expand her tropical fruit operations. Unfortunately many of the orchids died due to the lack of care. The work that was performed by this hard working group is indescribable. See the photographs below. Work started around 9:00 AM and was completed a little after noon time. The group survived on water and fruits provided by **Lokoea Farms**, Hami melon provided by **Williette Wong** and spam musubi made by **Charlotte Yamamoto**. Plants that were collected were taken to **Ben Kodama's** nursery in Waianae for temporary keeping. Some of the Vandas were transported to the **Windward Community College** where they will be grown in their Bioprocessing Medicinal Garden Complex. President **Brad Lau** will announce at the October meeting plans for distributing some of the rescued plants to members and guests.



MORE RESCUE PLANT PHOTOS



Rescued Vandas are temporarily held at **Ben Kodama's** nursery in Waianae (that's **Ben** behind the mask). These Vandas are assorted and unlabeled. They will be offered to HOS members and guests. Tune in to the October meeting for details.



This is a cattleya rescued from Lokoea Farms. The plant had two sheaths and bloomed recently with 4 flowers. The plant was unlabeled but has been identified as C. Dinard 'Blue Heaven'. The plant may be one of those offered in the November Winter Auction.

2022 HOS MEMBERSHIP

2021 is coming to a close in about three months! **WHERE DID TIME PASS US BY? SO FAST THE YEAR IS COMING TO A CLOSE!** Current membership expires on **December 31, 2021**. We look forward to renewed memberships within the Honolulu Orchid Society and new memberships from our worldwide community. You can renew your membership online by going to the HOS Website (www.honoluluorchidsociety.org) and clicking on the Membership Tab. You can also make payment or donations online via PayPal. Click here [[MEMBERSHIP](#)] to get to the HOS Membership page.

If you prefer to mail in your membership registration form, you can download a printable form from the HOS Website. Go to the Membership Tab and look for **TO JOIN BY MAIL, 2022 Membership Application**. Print the form, complete the entries and mail to Honolulu Orchid Society, P.O. Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-558.

New members who join during the period October 1, 2021 through December 31, 2021 will be included in the new calendar year 2022 HOS membership roster that expires on December 31, 2022.

MEMBER PHOTOS FOR SHARING



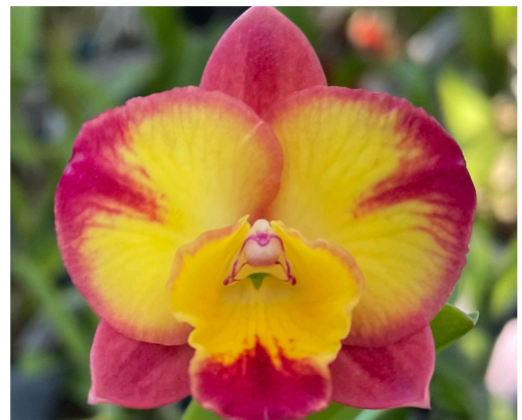
Bulbophyllum auratum
Owner: Kate Leonard & Ian Sandison



Cattleya bicolor h.f. punctata
Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura



Rlc Pattria Delight x Rlc Chomthong Fancy
Owner: Bryan Lee



Cattleya Candy Sparks
Owner: Bryan Lee



Laeliocattleya Miss Wonderful
Owner: Bryan Lee



Rlc. Duh's Eternal Love 'Feeling' SM/TOGA
Owner: Bryan Lee

ORCHID TIP OF THE MONTH BY SCOT MITAMURA

*(This article appeared in the September 2021 Newsletter of the **Windward Orchid Society** and is reprinted with the approval of **Scot Mitamura** and the **Windward Orchid Society**.)*

This month we complete our orchid culture triangle with an important topic, sunlight.

Most of us do not realize that the orchid leaves are similar to photo-voltaic panels on the roof of our homes. Upon exposure, the leaves capture sunlight and through photosynthesis, and create energy for the orchid. The longer the exposure to sunlight, the more energy the orchid can produce. Hint most photo-voltaic panels are facing south, so what side of the house should your orchid be?

If the sunlight is reduced by trees, buildings, mountains, clouds, other orchids, and even short winter days, photosynthesis and plant growth will be greatly reduced. I have observed a huge difference in my orchid's growth rates in Waianae vs. Waimanalo. Based on what I have mentioned, what area had better/faster growth?

What about light intensity, well it depends on elevation and air movement. With higher elevations and good air movement, you will be able to take advantage of higher light intensities. Conversely, if you are at sea level and a lack good air movement, you will need to provide more shade, lessening photosynthesis and orchid growth.

Maximizing sunlight exposure maximizes orchid growth, flowering, and develops stronger plants that are more resistant to disease. There is no replacement for sunlight and remember that no amount of fertilizer can make up for a lack of sunlight.

The key to success in growing orchids is the understanding of the orchid cultural triangle. Finding the right balance of light, air and water should be your primary focus. Once you achieve that you too will find success in your orchid hobby.

**Aloha,
Scot**



Rlc. Prada Green Deluxe x Rlc. Beverly Blietz
Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura



Cattleya Hawaiian Polka Dot
Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura

PLASTIC TRAYS AND POTS CLEARANCE SALE

HOS member **Ann Geschwandtner** just recently closed her orchid business in Punaluu and has assorted trays and pots available for sale. The majority of the items have been used except for a few unused trays and pots still stored in her warehouse. **CONTACT ANN GESCHWANDTNER VIA TEXT AT (808) 623-8701 TO PLACE YOUR ORDER AND MAKE ARRANGEMENTS FOR A PICK UP LOCATION OR FOR DELIVERY.**

ITEMS FOR SALE:

TRAYS WITH HOLES

RECTANGLE 10" X 21" - \$.75 EACH OR \$5.00/10

SQUARE 17" X 17" - \$.75 EACH OR \$5.00/10

4" POT HOLE - \$1.00 EACH OR \$8.00/10

5" POT HOLE - \$2.00 EACH OR \$15.00/10

6" POT HOLE - \$3.00 EACH OR \$20.00/10

PLASTIC POTS

4" POTS \$.12 EACH OR \$1.00/10

5" POTS \$.17 EACH OR \$1.50/10

6" POTS \$.22 EACH OR \$2.00/10

7" W x 6" H POTS \$.40 EACH OR \$3.50/10

7 ½" W x 6" H POTS \$.45 EACH OR \$4.00/10

11" W x 9 ½" H POTS \$.45 EACH OR \$4.00/10



RECIPE OF THE MONTH

Halloween is the perfect reason to cook up a big pot of warm and satisfying chili. Chili is easy on the cook, as it can be prepared ahead and reheated before serving—it actually tastes better that way! That's a real time saver that allows more time for trick or treating and other Halloween festivities

Local Style Chili

(Hawaiian Electric Co., The Electric Kitchen, Star Bulletin Newspaper dated October 29, 2008)

Ingredients:

½ lb bacon, cut in ½" pieces
1 large onion, chopped
1 red bell pepper, chopped
8 cloves garlic, minced
¼ cup chili powder
1 tbsp cumin
2 tsp coriander
1 tsp red pepper flakes
1 tsp dried oregano
½ tsp cayenne pepper
1 lb lean ground beef
1 lb Portuguese sausage, diced small
2 can (15 oz each) kidney beans
1 can (28 oz) diced or whole tomatoes
2 cans (8 oz each) tomato puree or tomato sauce
½ tsp salt, plus more to taste
Shredded cheddar cheese for garnish



Directions:

On medium heat, cook bacon in a large pot until browned. Drain all but 2 tablespoons oil.

Add onion, bell pepper, garlic and spices. Cook until vegetables are soften.

Increase heat to medium high and add ground beef and Portuguese sausage and cook until browned.

Add beans, tomatoes, puree and salt. Bring to a boil; reduce heat to low and simmer for 1 hour.. Remove cover and simmer another hour, stirring occasionally until thickened. Add more salt if needed. Best served the next day. Garnish with shredded cheddar cheese before serving.

Yield: 8 servings.

October Board of Trustees Meeting

The HOS Board will meet through Zoom video conference on Tuesday, October 12, 2021 at 7:00 PM.

November General Membership Meeting

The November 2021 meeting will take place virtually through Zoom on **Wednesday**, November 10, 2021 at 7:00 PM. The program will include a Winter auction of plants and other items donated by HOS members.