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HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY SEPTEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Date: Wednesday, September 9, 2026

Time/Place: 7:00 PM (doors open at 6:30 PM), Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria

Program: "Wild-Harvest and Conservation of Culturally Important Orchid Species"

Presented by: Dr. Tamara Ticktin

Dr. Tamara Ticktin is a Professor of Botany at the University of Hawai'i at Manoa. Her lab carries out collaborative research at the intersection of plants, people and conservation, including on the sustainable use of wild forest resources. Most of us appreciate orchids for their beauty, but many wild orchid species also play important roles as foods and medicines, and in cultural and religious ceremonies. **Dr. Ticktin's** presentation will explore some of the wild orchid species that are culturally important globally and the on-going research and initiatives in place to conserve them.

The **Plant Culture Table** will be open for the August meeting. Members are encouraged to bring their blooming orchids to the meeting to share with the audience. As in the past, plants on the Culture Table will be divided into the Novice Category (up to 4 years of growing orchids) and the Master's Category (more than 4 years of growing orchids). The audience will be given the opportunity to view the plants and vote on the plant in each category they liked the best based on flower appearance, fragrance, overall plant growth or uniqueness. The top two plants receiving the most votes in each category are given special prizes. Registration of plants for the Plant Culture Table is from 6:30 pm to 7:00 pm.

Welcome New Members

- **Jennifer Song & Robert Karpowicz,**
Honolulu

Welcome to the Society. We look forward to meeting you at our meetings.

Monetary Donation

- **Dr. Kathy L. Callahan,** Ewa Beach

Thank you for your generous monetary donation.



Mahalo Nui Loa

A Big Mahalo to **Adam Almeida** for his presentation at last month's general membership meeting. **Adam** used plants brought by members to demonstrate how he would dress up the plants for exhibition at an orchid show. He showed how he would cut off the old flower spikes, remove dead bulbs, and trim portions of leaves that were discolored or damaged. He also discussed the staking of flowers and making sure that the plants were placed in containers that are stable when placed in the display.



Mahalo to the following members and friends who brought a large assortment of delicious foods and desserts to share with those in attendance at the meeting: **Shelley Miyahara** – noodle and sausage casserole; **Jodie Domina** – pasta salad; **Charlotte Yamamoto** – avocado bacon pasta salad; **Tessie Miller** – assorted Korean sushi; **Josie Gesteuyala** – fresh cantaloupe; **Holly Sullivan** – cinnamon mochi; **JoAnn Higuchi** – assorted bagged chips; **Michael & Yumi Oconneli** – fried chicken; **Elaine Higa** – chocolate chip cookies and string cheese; **Walter & Ruby Hiraishi** – apple cinnamon scones; **Jackie Lai** – shortbread cookies; **Doug Meller** – chocolate cookies; **Ruby Chan** – pasta salad; **Don & Deb Haraguchi** – Spanish rolls; **Barbara Paahao** – beef chow fun; **Nathan & Jovie Correia** – Japanese wafer snacks; **Debbi Putnam** – carrot cake; **Dorothy Nakama** – broccoli salad; **Lynn Nakama** – somen salad; **Beaudine Ma** – boiled peanuts; **Sandie & Karen Torigoe** – assorted Dot's seasoned bagged pretzels; **Kathy Sakuda** – beef broccoli with Hong Kong style noodles; **Colette Young** – Dubai pistachio mochi; and **Ken & Aileen Ching** – cookies. Your donations are truly appreciated.

Calendar of Events for September 2026

- **Tuesday, September 8, 7:00 PM, HOS Board of Trustees Meeting.** Zoom Video Conference
- **Wednesday, September 9, 7:00 PM, General Membership Meeting,** Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria (doors open at 6:30 PM), Speaker: **Dr. Tamara Ticktin**
- **Saturday, September 12, HOS Judging, Plant Registration 9:30 am to 10:00 am,** Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, 1640 Lanakila Avenue, Honolulu
- **Wednesday, September 23, 7:00 PM, HOS Show Planning Meeting.** Zoom Video Conference
- **Monday, September 28, 7:00 PM, HOS Judging.** Aiea Orchid Club Meeting, Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria (plant registration 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM)

The Refreshment Line



Plant Culture Table at the August Meeting

At last month's General Membership meeting, 20 plants were brought in by members for the Plant Culture Table. 7 plants by 3 growers were in the **Novice Category** (up to 4 years of growing orchids) and 13 plants by 7 growers were in the **Master's Category** (more than 4 years of growing orchids). During the refreshment break, the audience was given the opportunity to vote for the best in each category. Their choices based on flower appearance, fragrance, uniqueness or overall plant growth are shown below.

Novice Category



1st Place: Lsz. Lave Burst 'Puanani' AM/AOS. AM HOS
Grown by **Elaine Higa**

Masters Category



1st Place: Den. densiflorum
Grown by **Walter Hiraishi**



2nd Place: Brassia Hybrid
Grown by **Debbi Putnam**



2nd Place: Rlc. Momilani Classic 'Callyn' AM HOS
Grown by **Doug DeMoss**

Special Sale by the Mini-Country Store

by JoAnn Higuchi

The **Mini-Country Store** will be selling these Halloween- themed pens at this month's general meeting on Wednesday. These cuties crafted and donated by **Kathy Sakuda** are \$4.00 apiece and are part of the Society's fund-raising efforts— 100% goes to support



HOS activities and the charitable gifts and scholarships we help. If you miss this sale, we will have some for sale at the HOS show in October. Please buy one! Except for the sale of the pens, the **Mini-Country Store** will be closed for the September meeting. It will reopen at the Honolulu Orchid Society Show on October 9 and 10.

Scam Alert

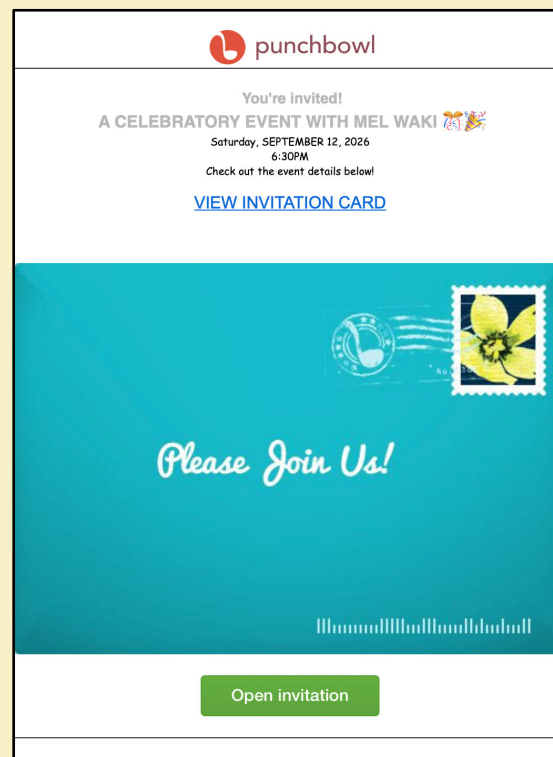
by Mel Waki

Please be aware that the "Celebration Invitation" shown on the right and sent in my name on Sunday, September 6, is a phishing scam.

Scammers managed to access my contacts list and sent this invitation to people, particularly within the orchid community. The invitation looks authentic, and clicking "view invitation card" or "open invitation" may have compromised your email account.

If you attempted to open or view the card, your email security may be at risk. I strongly advise updating your email account password immediately as a precautionary measure.

Thank you to everyone who brought this to my attention. Please stay safe online!



The phishing links have been removed from the above invitation.

2026 Honolulu Orchid Society Show

Booo! Our Orchids Spooktacular Show is just around the spooky corner. Co-Chairs **Kathy Sakuda** and **Adam Almeida** and their committees are hard at work preparing for the Show.

A good summary of what to expect at the Show can be found on the Honolulu Orchid Society website at this [LINK](#). The participating societies and vendors, the workshop schedule, the Show Rules and Regulations and Plant Registration Form are available on the website.

A nostalgic look at last year's Show can be found [HERE](#).

The Country Store Committee headed by **JoAnn Higuchi** is again soliciting donations and needs your help to stock the tables at the Country Store. They will gladly accept home made goods such as baked cookies, banana bread, mango bread, brownies, party mixes, mochi, jellies, jams, and prune mui. These are very popular items based on prior Shows. Home made items need to be individually packaged and wrapped. The Country Store will gladly accept vegetables and fruits from your yard.

The Country Store cannot accept used clothing. However, they will accept items such as china, kitchen ware, small appliances, handmade crafts and other useable items and treasures from your kitchen and closets that you love but cannot keep anymore.

The garden section of the Store can use clean clay pots 4-inch or larger, decorative ceramic pots, plants, tillandsias, plant hangers, unused plastic pots, garden tools, and other related orchid items and tools that gardeners like. **The Country Store will not accept concrete pots.** They are too heavy to handle.

If you plan to donate any items, please let **JoAnn** know. She can be reached at jahiguchi@hawaii.rr.com. Country Store donations can be dropped off at the Washington Middle School Cafeteria on Wednesday, October 8 from 10:00 AM to 11:30 AM and Thursday, October 9 from 10:00 AM to 2:00 PM. Baked goods may be brought in Wednesday through Saturday mornings 8:30 am to 10:00 am.



VOLUNTEERS ARE NEEDED FOR THE SHOW. We are looking for members, friends and family too who are willing to volunteer and help make this show a success! We cannot do it without the help of many. Lunch will be provided for those who volunteer their services.

We will need help in these areas::

- **Wednesday, October 7, 8:30 am to about 2 pm. Pre-Show set-up.** Prepare the cafeteria for the Show including moving tables, laying plastic to cover tables and floor, putting up signage and setting up the Country Store.
- **Thursday, October 8, 9:00 am to 2 pm.**
 - **Plant registration.** Assist checking plant names and writing plant labels.
 - **HOS Floor Display.** Set up and create the HOS floor display.
- **Friday, October 9, 9:00 AM to 12:30 PM (First Shift) and 12:30 PM to 4:00 PM (Second Shift)**
 - **Monitors** for Entrances and Exits
 - **Sales persons** for the HOS Country Store
 - **Monitor** for Plant Holding Area
 - **Hosts and hostesses** to mingle with visitors and answer questions
- **Saturday, October 10, 9 am to 12:30 pm (FIRST SHIFT) and 12:30 pm to 4 pm (SECOND SHIFT).**
 - **Monitors** for Entrances and Exits
 - **Sales persons** for the HOS Country Store
 - **Monitor** for Plant Holding Area
 - **Hosts and hostesses** to mingle with visitors and answer questions

Volunteers are needed for at least one shift of work on Friday and Saturday but can work 2 shifts if they would like to. Second Shift workers on Saturday will help with breakdown of the display.

Sign-up Sheets for the **First** and **Second Shifts** will be available at this month's meeting.

Carol De Witt will be coordinating the work assignments and shifts. You may contact her by text message at (808) 597-4087 or email at seabreeze808@outlook.com to sign up. Leave a message which includes your contact information so that she can return your call.

Honolulu Orchid Society T-Shirt/Polo Shirt Pre-Sale

by Kathy Sakuda



Image that will be printed on the back of the shirts. Photo by **Carol De Witt**.

By popular demand, the “Retro” design T-shirt/Polo/**Tank** tops will be offered again through pre-sale orders. We need a pre-sale total order of 144 shirts (of assorted colors and styles) for the minimum order, so this will likely be the only order for 2026. Our previous orders were in 2019 and 2022. Additional postage and handling charges will be added for mailing of shirts, if you request this service. Note that shirt colors will be subject to change depending on stock supply. The prices include 4.712% tax.

Men's T-Shirt w/Front Pocket, Cotton;

SIZES: S-XL \$10.75, 2X \$12,

COLORS: Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Forest Green, Red, Charcoal Grey

Men's Polo w/Collar & Front Pocket, Cotton/Poly;

SIZES: S-XL \$11.50, 2X \$12.70,

COLORS: Black, Charcoal Heather (dark grey), Red, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Forest Green, Maroon

Men's Tank Top, Cotton;

SIZES: M-XL \$8.85, 2XL \$9

COLORS: Royal Blue, Forest Green, Mint Green, Black, Red, Purple

Ladies T-Shirt (no pocket) (3900), Cotton;

SIZES: S-XL \$9, 2X \$10

COLORS: Black, Desert Pink, Navy, Red, White

Ladies Dolman (NL6760) (Scoop neck, scalloped bottom, polycotton/rayon blend)

SIZES: S-XL \$12.75, 2X \$14,

COLORS: Heather, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Charcoal

Fill in the Honolulu Orchid Society Shirt Order Form that is shown on page 9. A printable form can be downloaded [HERE](#). Mail the form with check payable to the Honolulu Orchid Society to Honolulu Orchid Society, P. O. Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-0558. The deadline for ordering the shirts is Friday, September 25, 2026. The delivery date will be in late October 2026 or November 2026.

Call or text **Kathy Sakuda** at (808) 258-6511 or email her ksakuda665@gmail.com if you have any questions.

Honolulu Orchid Society Shirt Order Form
(deadline: Friday, September 25, 2026 with payment)

Name: _____

Please Print Legibly

Mailing Address: _____

Street

City

Zip Code

Contact Info: _____

E-Mail Address

Telephone Number

Men's Polo with Collar & Front Pocket, Cotton/Poly

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ \$11.50 each 2X _____ \$12.70 each Sub Total \$ _____

Shirt Color: Black, Charcoal Heather (dark grey), Red, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Forest Green, Maroon

Men's T Shirt with Pocket, Cotton

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ \$10.75 each 2X _____ \$12 each Sub Total \$ _____

Shirt Color: White, Black, Red, Royal Blue, Forest Green

Men's Tank Top, (Gildan 2200) Cotton

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ \$8.85 each 2X _____ \$11 each Sub Total \$ _____

Shirt Color: Royal Blue, Forest Green, Mint Green, Black, Red, Purple

Ladies T-Shirt (no pocket), (3900) Cotton

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ \$9.00 each 2X _____ \$10 each Sub Total \$ _____

Shirt Color: Black, Desert Pink, Navy, Red, White

Ladies Dolman (NL6760), Scoop neck, scalloped bottom, polycotton/rayon blend

S _____ M _____ L _____ XL _____ \$12.75 each 2X _____ \$14 each Sub Total \$ _____

Shirt Color: Heather, Royal Blue, Navy Blue, Charcoal

Sample Order:

Ladies Dolman (NL6760), Scoop neck, scalloped bottom, polycotton/rayon blend

*S 1-Navy Blue M 1-Charcoal L _____ XL _____ \$12.75 each 2X _____ \$14 each Sub Total \$ **25.50***

Note: Colors subject to change depending on stock supply. You will be notified if certain color is unavailable. Call or text Kathy Sakuda at (808) 258-6511 if you have any questions.

TOTAL AMOUNT DUE: \$ _____

Make check payable to the Honolulu Orchid Society

Mail to Honolulu Orchid Society, P.O. Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-0558

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Date Recd _____ Bank _____ Check # _____ Dated _____ Cash Payment _____ Total Recd _____

Postage & Handling Charge (if applicable) \$ _____ Comments: _____

Click [HERE](#) to download a printable form.

Honolulu Orchid Society Judging in August

Saturday, August 8, 2026, Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center. Six plants were registered for judging at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center. Three plants were judged and awarded. The three plants received Awards of Merit (AM) and are shown below.

Monday, August 24, 2026, Aiea Orchid Club Meeting, Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria. 14 plants were registered at the Aiea Orchid Club meeting. One of the plants was nominated for judging but was not judged.

Photographs and descriptions of the all of the plants awarded in 2026 and prior years are available in the [Award Gallery](#) of the HOS Website.

The **next HOS Judging session will be held at the Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center on Saturday, September 12, 2026.** Plant registration is between 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM. You do not have to be a member of HOS to have your plants judged.



Award No. 2026-17
Ctsm. Nick Manley 'Freckled Beauty'
AM HOS (80.8 Pts.)
Owner: **Jed Smith**



Award No. 2026-19
Phrag. Giganteum 'Becky'
AM HOS (82.0 Pts.)
Owner: **Miyasato Orchids**



Award No. 2026-18
Rlc. Momilani Classic 'Callyn'
AM HOS (84.0 Pts.)
Owner: **Calvin Kumano**

Tip of the Month *by Scot Mitamura*

September 22 marks the beginning of fall and we normally associate this with the changing of the seasons and cooling of temperatures. In Hawaii, due to high ocean temperatures, September is usually our warmest month. With the ongoing Super El Nino, this makes everything worse. It is really a combination of the high temperature and the lack of air movement. When the tropical cyclones pass, there are times when our Trade Winds are cut off. This is when we and our orchids feel it. My cooler growing orchids begin to show symptoms after these events. Symptoms of black spotting, black leaf tips, and even whole black leaves are appearing on Oncidinae to Cattleya. I am increasing my watering, doing some midday misting (when I'm there), and increasing my air circulation by cleaning surroundings areas and using fans. All of this has helped a little, but I know that these plants that are affected will have reduced growth with poor flower count and size. In the future, I need to be proactive and cool my orchids on these sweltering days, instead of staying indoors enjoying my air conditioning!

Aloha,
Scot

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Getting to Know Our Members

by Jed Smith

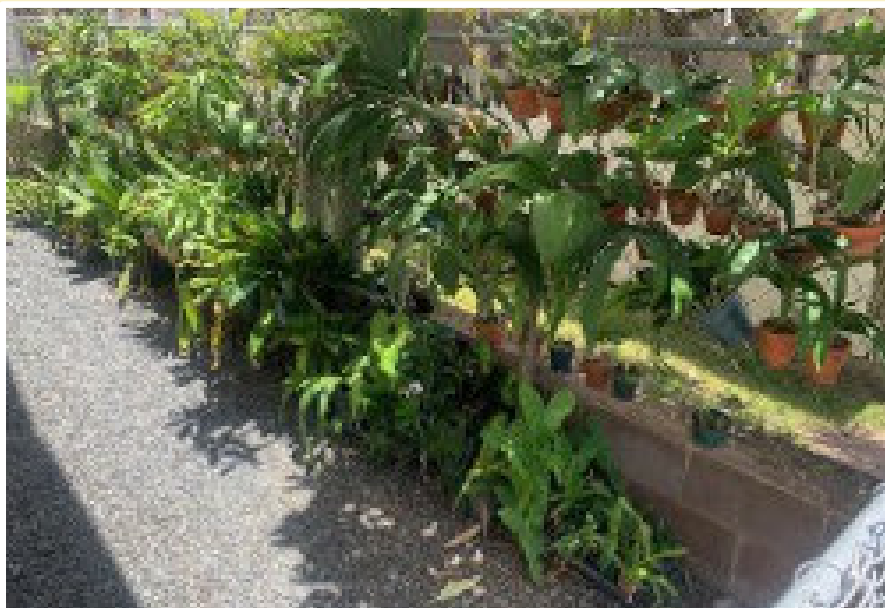
I was raised in a small town in West Central Minnesota, called Atwater, which has a population of just over 1,100 people. Atwater is a small farming community, so not much is grown in the way of orchids. I graduated from Atwater-Cosmos-Grove City High School in 2010, with a graduating class of only 43 students.

After high school, I attended Ridgewater Community College in Willmar, Minnesota for a couple years, working on completing my Liberal Arts classes while working at the local Home Depot as a sales associate and flooring specialist. I requested to transfer my job to Honolulu, Hawaii, to continue to pursue my dream of going to UH Manoa and attending their Botany program. Unfortunately, school is still on the back burner!



I finally made the long trek over the Pacific in June of 2013, but did not prepare myself for the extreme culture shock! I'll never forget when my mom and I were out shopping at a local grocery store and the guy at the poke counter offered us both a sample, we looked at each other with a confused look on our faces while holding onto toothpicks containing a piece of poke. Luckily, another shopper told us that it is eaten raw.

I lived in Papakolea for the first four years in Hawaii, before moving to another residence along Green St, then finally settled in my current place in Lower Manoa near UH Manoa. Shortly after moving into my current residence, I googled orchid societies near me and found the Honolulu Orchid Society, so I decided to attend a meeting and



see what it was all about. I was a little shy at the first couple meetings, but quickly met many great people and amazing growers.

I used to grow my orchids indoors, which was a bit of a challenge and I quickly learned which orchids I could grow and which I could not. After a couple years of growing indoors, I got permission from my landlord to grow my collection outdoors along the chain link fence that separates our

property from our neighbors, and my collection has grown greatly ever since!



Ctsm. Nick Manley 'Freckled Beauty' AM HOS



Ctsm. Frilly Doris (female flowers)

I mainly grow Catasetinae and species, but have increased my interest in terrestrials, Zygopetalinae, bifoliate Cattleya species, and Encyclias and their hybrids. I also grow some Philodendrons, Hoyas, Tillandsias, and succulents. Asides from orchids and plants, I enjoy hiking, fishing, cooking, baking, making candy, and working with wire.



Ctsm. Wild Thing 'Bad Hair Day' AM/AOS, AM HOS



C. guttata var. coerulea

My Trip to the Garden Isle, Beautiful Kauai

by *Shelley Miyahara*

*At the Honolulu Orchid Society's Installation Banquet at the Natsunoya Tea House on January 18, 2026, **Shelley** won the raffle for a one night stay for two at the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa. The winning ticket also included round trip airfare for two to Kauai. This is **Shelley's** story of her trip to Kauai that was taken in July 2026.*

When I won the Honolulu Orchid Society's raffle, a trip to Kauai Island and stay at the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa, I could hardly believe it. It was a total surprise! I recently went on my winning trip with a friend from high school and we had an incredible time. The flight was very pleasant and the resort was luxurious. Even more gorgeous than I had imagined. We had a panoramic ocean front view and the scenic grounds could be enjoyed from the balcony where we had coffee and snacks. It was



The panoramic view of the ocean and scenic grounds from a balcony at the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa was breath taking.



breath taking. The sightseeing highlight of our trip was the Smith Family Fern Grotto cruise which was relaxing and interesting. The guide pointed out various plants, heiau, and waterfalls among other things. When we arrived at the landing we took a short walk to the grotto where we were entertained by musicians and hula dancers. We enjoyed the exotic native plants and majestic cave in an idyllic setting. The area was lush and misty and luckily there was only a slight drizzle. Dinner at Duke's at Nawiliwili Bay was another thrill. I wanted to see the Bay because our Halau does hula about Nawiliwili. It was very special to see the location we are dancing to. Shopping is



The Kauai Coffee Company was one of many stops on the trip.

always fun and we hit stores like Salty Wahine for gourmet seasonings, tasting at Kauai Coffee Company, and Kauai Chocolates for opihi candies. Opihi are small edible sea snails with a cap-shaped shell that cling to rocks. Opihi candies are not really opihi, they are macadamia nuts with shortbread cookie and caramel covered with chocolate and they are shaped like opihi. They are a decadent Kauai specialty that not many people know about. A must try when in Kauai.



We ate well. I had a roasted beet salad at the Tidepool Restaurant at the Grand Hyatt.

Sending a big thank you to the Honolulu Orchid Society for this incredible adventure and especially to **Kathy Sakuda** who donated her Hawaiian miles to cover the airfare for two to Kauai and **Josie Gesteuyala** for arranging our stay at the Grand Hyatt Kauai Resort and Spa. It was an experience I will never forget. Many Mahalos from the bottom of my heart! **Shelley Miyahara**

2026 Orchidist of the Year

Nominations are now open for the Honolulu Orchid Society's **2026 Orchidist of the Year**. This award is to recognize and honor a member or members for outstanding and unselfish service and valuable contributions to the Society. This award can be presented to a member only once. A list of prior Orchidist of the Year can be found on the HOS website and is available [HERE](#). Note that prior to 1972, this award was known as "Orchid Man of the Year".

The **deadline for nominations is Friday, October 30, 2026**. The HOS Board of Trustees makes the selection. Members may submit written nominations to the Honolulu Orchid Society, Attn: Orchidist of the Year, P O Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-0558 or may email the nomination to President Adam Almeida at this [ADDRESS](#). Nominations should include a summary of the individual's outstanding attributes and contributions to the Society.

Rats!

by Calvin Kumano

I thought I had my pest control program fully locked down. I had treated my orchids with insecticide for thrips, scale, and mites; sprayed fungicide for fungus and rot; and scattered bait for snails and slugs. Then I checked on my dendrobiums, only to find buds gone. It turned out I had completely overlooked rats. I knew the culprits right away because they kindly left the bare flower stems behind. Instead of working their way down from the top as they usually do, these hungry (or perhaps too heavy) pests started at the bottom of the spike and ate their way up. To protect what's left, I've set up bait stations to put an end to the feast.



HOS Membership

The annual membership fee for the Honolulu Orchid Society is \$25 for **Regular Members** and \$5 for **Associate Members** of the same household. **Student Membership** is \$10. You may renew or join online from the Honolulu Orchid Society [website](#). The portal accepts credit card payment for membership dues. Click [HERE](#) to go to the HOS membership join/renew portal. If you prefer to mail in your membership dues, you may do so using the application form at this [LINK](#). Complete the application form and mail with your check made payable to the Honolulu Orchid Society to HOS Membership Committee, PO Box 558, Honolulu, HI 96809-0558.

Why Grow Vanda Orchids

by Gemini AI

Vanda orchids stand out as some of the most dynamic and striking epiphytes in the orchid world. Unlike potted orchids, Vandas thrive on air movement, bright light, and continuous root exposure, making them a centerpiece for any outdoor or greenhouse collection.



Vanda orchids are famous for deep blues and intense, tessellated patterns.

- **Vibrant, Rare Colors:** Vandas are famous for producing true, vibrant blues and deep purples—colors rarely seen in other plant genera—alongside electric pinks, oranges, and whites.
- **Frequent Bloomers:** Healthy Vandas are not limited to a single yearly bloom cycle. Under warm, high-light conditions, many varieties flower 2 to 4 times a year, with long-lasting blooms that remain fresh for up to two months.
- **Striking Bare-Root Aesthetics:** Because they are true air plants with thick, silver velamen-covered roots, they are typically grown in wooden slats or suspended wire baskets with zero potting media. Their dramatic, cascading root systems create an impressive vertical display.
- **Heat and Sun Tolerance:** Unlike delicate shade-loving orchids, Vandas love bright, filtered sunlight and warm temperatures. They adapt perfectly to humid, sunny environments where other orchids might sunburn or suffer root rot.
- **Exceptional Hybrid Diversity:** Extensive hybridizing (such as crosses with *Ascocentrum* to create *Ascocendas* (now called Vandas)) has produced compact varieties that fit easily into smaller garden setups while maintaining huge, flat flower displays.

Recipe of the Month

Bagel Breakfast Sliders

by Lauren Miyashiro

Updated: Sep 1, 2026; from delish.com approved by Delish Test Kitchen

Yields: 8 serving(s) Prep Time: 15 mins Total Time: 40 mins

Ingredients

- Cooking spray
- 8 large eggs
- 1/4 cup milk
- 8 slices bacon
- Kosher salt
- Freshly ground black pepper
- 2 Tbsp. thinly sliced chives
- 8 mini bagels, halved horizontally
- 4 Tbsp. cream cheese, softened
- 1 1/2 cups shredded cheddar
- 3 Tbsp. unsalted butter, melted
- 2 Tbsp. everything bagel seasoning



Directions

- Arrange a rack in center of oven; preheat to 350°. Grease a 13" x 9" baking dish with cooking spray.
- In a large bowl, whisk eggs and milk until light and frothy.
- In a cold, large skillet over medium heat, cook bacon, turning occasionally, until crispy, 8 to 10 minutes. Transfer to a paper towel-lined plate. Pour off all but 1 Tbsp. fat.
- Pour egg mixture into skillet. Cook over medium-low heat, stirring occasionally with a spatula or wooden spoon, until eggs are nearly set, 2 to 3 minutes; season with salt and pepper and stir in chives. Remove from heat.
- Spread cream cheese onto bottom halves of bagels. Arrange in prepared dish, side by side. Spread egg mixture over bagels. Crumble bacon over. Sprinkle with cheddar, then close with top halves of bagels. Brush tops with melted butter. Sprinkle with everything bagel seasoning.
- Bake sliders until bagels are toasted and cheese is melted, about 10 minutes.