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Honolulu Orchid Society Display at their 87th Annual Orchid Show & Plant Sale October 9 & 10, 2026 at the Washington Middle School Cafeteria

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HONOLULU ORCHID SOCIETY
NOVEMBER GENERAL MEMBERSHIP MEETING

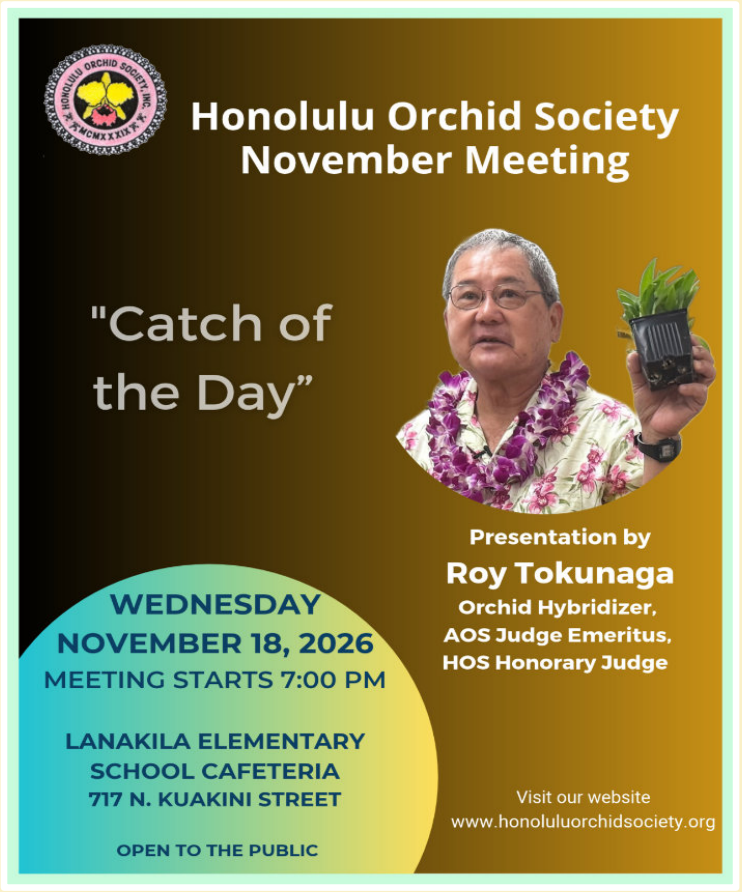
Date: Wednesday, November 18, 2026

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

Program: "Catch of the Day"

Presented by: Roy Tokunaga

Note the change in the meeting date. HOS normally meets on the second Wednesday of each month. However, because the second Wednesday in November (November 11) is Veterans Day, the Lanakila Elementary School will be closed. HOS will instead be meeting on the following Wednesday, November 18.



At this month's meeting, **Roy Tokunaga** will be presenting his popular "Catch of the Day" Program where he will be bringing blooming orchids from his home and nursery and do a show and tell of the plants. He will also share his experience on how water quality and fertilizer can affect the growth of plants. Attendees should come prepared to ask questions.

The **Plant Culture Table** will be open for the November 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

- **Ethelwolda Aganon,** Waipahu
- **Atiya Hakeem & Jason Surace**, Honolulu
- **Vickie Kim & McKenzie Peay**, Honolulu
- **Joy Kimura**, Honolulu

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

Monetary Donation

- **Anonymous Donor Joyce**

Thank you for your generous monetary donation.

Mahalo Nui Loa



A Big Mahalo to **Patrick O'Day** for his presentation at last month's meeting on "The Life of an Orchid Seed". He brought samples of orchid seeds (he called them dusts), new born orchid plants in flasks, and infant plants that he accelerated their growth by frequent fertilizing (twice per day). He discussed the importance of keeping the water with fertilizer in the pH range of 5.5 to 6.5 when applied to the plants. He believes that outside of this range, the plants will not uptake the fertilizer. He uses an additive called "pH Down" to adjust the pH in his water. He also applies Nutricote (time release fertilizer) to his plants.

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: **Karen Nagamine** – mini chicken tacos; **Walter & Ruby Hiraishi** – mochi; **Karen & Sandie Torigoe** – choi sum with garlic; **Elaine Higa** – crispy gau gee; **JoAnn Higuchi** – assorted bagged chips; **Josie Gesteuyala** – fresh pineapple; **Tessie Miller** – Halloween candies; **June Yokomoto** – grapes; **Jackie Lai** – chocolate mini bars; **Nathan & Jovie Correia** – puto (Filipino steamed rice cakes); **Don & Debbie Haraguchi** – brownies; **Ruby Chan** – Biscoff cookies; **Lynda Takara** – snack cookies; **Colette Young** – truffles; **Dorothy Nakama** – spicy edamame; **Carol De Witt** – Bungo chocolate mochi fish shaped cakes and Halloween Oreo cookies; **Charlotte Yamamoto** – bean salad; and **Doris & Graydon Southard** – wafer rolls. Your donations are truly appreciated.

HOS Membership

Membership renewals for 2027 are now being accepted. **New members** who join now will have their membership good until December 31, 2027. 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.

Holiday Celebration in December

You're invited to the Honolulu Orchid Society Holiday Celebration.

Aloha, orchid family and friends!

As the year winds down, it's time to gather together, celebrate, and rejoice in the company of our favorite people. Set aside the date for a wonderful evening filled with holiday cheer, great food, and plenty of blooms!

Date: Wednesday, December 9, 2026

Time: 6:30 PM

Location: Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria

Cost: 100% FREE–leave your wallets at home! There are no registration fees and no raffle tickets to buy.



What to Expect:

Delicious Potluck: Bring your favorite dish to share with the group.

Gorgeous Giveaways: We'll have lots of stunning orchids and poinsettias ready to find new homes!

Fun & Games: Enjoy lively rounds of bingo.

Special Grand Prize: Be present for our special drawing for a dinner for two at **Morton's Steakhouse**!

Mark you calendars now and get ready for a festive night of fun, friendship and flowers. Keep an eye out for more details coming your way in the December newsletter.

We can't wait to celebrate with you!

Contributing Photographers

Photographs appearing in this issue were taken or provided by the following generous and talented friends: **Jan Takamiya, Brad Lau, Rob Lau, Ken Ching, Jocelyn Mokulehua, Mel Waki** and **Sheron Harwood**. Thank you very much for sharing.

2026 Honolulu Orchid Society Show Wrap-Up

The **Honolulu Orchid Society's 2026 Annual Show** is all **pau** (finished). It celebrated 87 years of its existence with this year's theme of **"*Orchids Spooktacular*"**. Thanks to the outstanding leadership of **Co-Chairs Kathy Sakuda** and **Adam Almeida** there were very little hitches if any. **Adam** carried the ball when **Kathy** left four days before the Show for a two week trip to Singapore. The Show was blessed with two days of outstanding weather.

Adam Almeida chaired the set-up of the Honolulu Orchid Society display while **Josie Gesteuyala** chaired the arrangement of the Miniature Display.

The Show was very well attended with 1,451 orchid admirers who came through the door during the two days. The high attendance was attributed to the advertising coordinated by the Show Committee. Besides advertisements in the Honolulu Star Advertiser and Midweek, **Adam Almeida** appeared twice on television. On Monday, October 5 he appeared on the **Living808 Show with John Veneri** and Tuesday, October 6 he was featured on the **Hawaii Now Daily Show with Natalie Duran**. The television appearances were arranged by **Elaine Higa**.

The floor display by the **Aiea Orchid Club** was selected as the Best Guest Display.

Jed Smith's Clowesia russelliana 'Green Eyed Monster' was selected the Best in Show. It was located in the Honolulu Orchid Society Display. **Jed's** plant was also awarded a Certificate of Cultural Merit (CCM) by the Honolulu Orchid Society Judges.

An exceptional thanks to the **Aiea Orchid Club**, **Ewa Orchid Society**, **Kunia Orchid Society** and **Windward Orchid Society**



The Show Poster designed by **Marisa Maemori** was widely distributed over the internet and appeared in the Star Advertiser. **Karen Torigoe** came up with the Show theme "Orchids Spooktacular".



Adam Almeida appeared on the Hawaii Now Daily Show with hostess **Natalie Duran**.

for putting up their displays at the Show. There would be no show without their participation. A total of 231 plants from 54 growers were registered and placed in the displays. Judging was conducted on Thursday night (October 8) by the Honolulu Orchid Society Judges. The **2026 Show Program** which lists all of the Show Trophy Awards and Merit and Culture Awards can be seen **HERE**.

A Big Mahalo to **Washington Middle School** and their office and custodial staff for hosting and supporting the Honolulu Orchid Society Show.

Special mahalo to **Kathy and Bert Sakuda** for their sponsorship of the Show with a very generous donation. Also, mahalo to the **State of Hawaii Department of Agriculture** for their sponsorship of the Show.

There were many individuals (members and friends) who helped at the Show in one way or the other; much too many to list individually here. Thank you to the **2026 HOS Show Committee** members, **trophy donors** (18 of them), the **pre-show layout volunteers**, the **registration committee**, the **HOS Judges** and **Service Committee**, the **Show photographers**, the **Hawaii College of Tropical Agriculture and Human Resources (CTHR)** representative, the **State Department of Agriculture** representatives, the eight **Show vendors**, the **culture class lecturers**, the **Hospitality Committee** members, and the numerous individuals who volunteered to work in various capacities and donated items for the Country Store and food for the volunteers. Photos on pages 8 through 15 give a pictorial overview of the very successful Show.



2026 HOS Show Judging Panel: (left to right) **Brad Lau, Adam Almeida, Matthew McKnight, Eddie Peltier, Kate Leonard, Bob Moffitt, Mel Waki, Dale Miyasaki, Ed Oka, Jed Smith, Jan Takamiya** and **June Yokomoto** (Service Committee member). Missing is **Carol De Witt** (Service Committee Chair).

Thursday Morning Set-Up



Adam Almeida & Nathan Correira started the Honolulu Orchid Society display.



Elaine Higa & Josie Gesteuyala arranged plants in the Miniature Display.



Doug Meller rearranged and staked a large cattleya with Mimi Bornhorst's help.



Baines Tamura, Elaine Higa & Don Haraguchi wrapped plant pots with black cloth.



Jackie Lai, Ruby Chan & Beaudine Ma wrote labels for plants in the displays.



Brad Lau & Jed Smith registered plants in the Show.

The Finished Displays



Windward Orchid Society



Honolulu Orchid Society



Aiea Orchid Club



Miniature Display



Kunia Orchid Society



Ewa Orchid Society

The Display Makers


Aiea Orchid Club



Kunia Orchid Society



Honolulu Orchid Society


Windward Orchid Society


Miniature Display


Ewa Orchid Society

Pictoral Review of the 2026 HOS Show



Line on Friday waiting for Show to open.



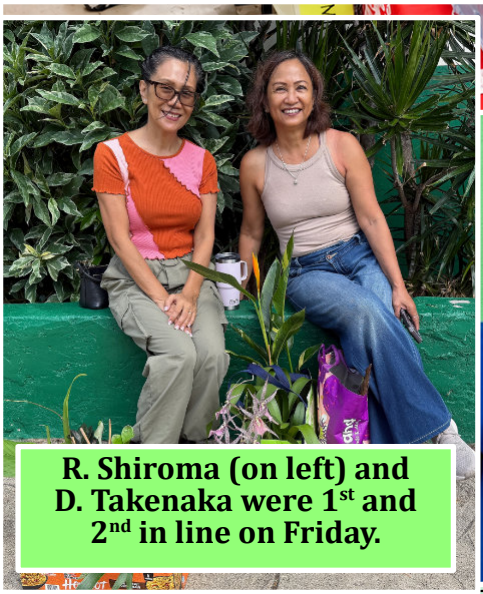
David Buote helped Calvin Kumano Orchids sell plants.



Clare Bosz helped in the Country Store. She lives in Wisconsin.



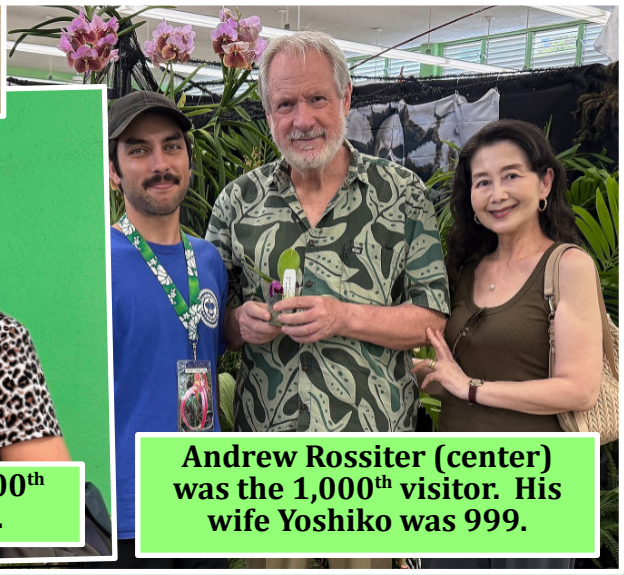




R. Shiroma (on left) and D. Takenaka were 1st and 2nd in line on Friday.



Helena Bui was the 500th visitor to the Show.



Andrew Rossiter (center) was the 1,000th visitor. His wife Yoshiko was 999.



Best Vanda
V. sanderiana



Best Dendrobium
Den. Peach Parfait x
Den. Supanburi White



Best White Cattleya
Gur. bowringiana
'One of a Kind'



Best Cattleya
Rlc. Sueno de Amor 'Travis'



Best in Show
Clo. russelliana 'Green Eyed Monster'



Best Lavender Vanda
Aerdv. Le Beau Blue

Some of the Trophy Winners



Best White Vanda
V. sanderiana h.f. alba



Best Other Color Cattleya
Rth. Fu Shu Glory
'Happy Holiday'



Best White Dendrobium
Den. formosum

Our Show Vendors



Nuuanu Orchids



Olomana Tropicals



Patrick O'Day Orchids



Matt's Botanics, LLC



Michael Ige Farm



Calvin Kumano Orchids



Mauna Understory LLC



Miyasato Orchids

Educational Activities at the Show



Kent Dumlao and Kimi Kawasaki from State Agriculture (Friday Team)



Ian Kaneshiro, Si Ming Liu and Brandon Tanaka from State Agriculture (Saturday Team)



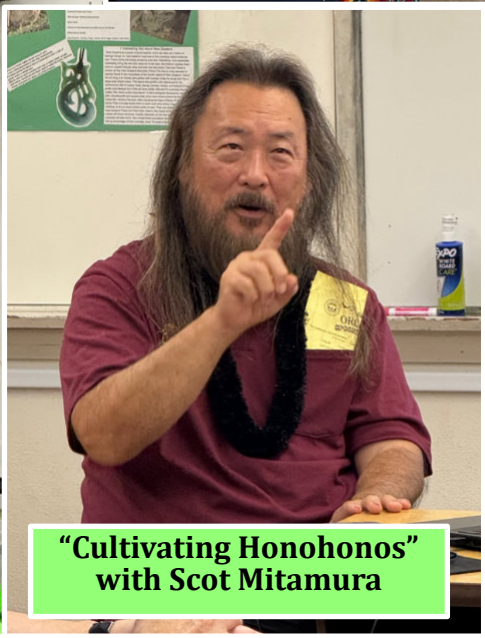
Plant Doctor Dr. James Keach



Orchid Culture Class in Session



"General Orchid Culture" with Matthew McKnight



"Cultivating Honohonos" with Scot Mitamura



"Orchid Pests & Diseases" with Dr. James Keach

Some of the People Working Behind the Scenes



Doris & Graydon Southard folded programs and managed the Holding Area.



Carol De Witt, Charlotte Yamamoto, Tessie Miller & Lynda Takara manned the food & refreshment line.



Dr. Hongwei Li, Lynda Takara & Ruby Hiraishi worked in the Country Store.



Josie Gesteuyala, Tessie Miller & Doug Meller sold plants in the Country Store.



Clare Bosz, JoAnn Higuchi & Debbie Haraguchi set up the Country Store.



Jackie Lai, JoAnn Higuchi & June Yokomoto sold goods in the Country Store.



Ken & Aileen Ching greeted visitors at the main entrance



Mimi Bornhorst collected sales slips and donations

Plant Culture Table at the October Meeting

At last month's General Membership meeting, 9 plants were brought in by members for the Plant Culture Table. 2 plants by 2 growers were in the **Novice Category** (up to 4 years of growing orchids) and 7 plants by 6 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: c. Jentri
Grown by **Karen Nagamine**



2nd Place: Phal. Hybrid
Grown by **Carol De Witt**

Masters Category



1st Place: Den. Enobi Purple 'Splash'
Grown by **Calvin Kumano**



2nd Place: Den. equitans
Grown by **Walter Hiraishi**

Honolulu Orchid Society Judging in October

Thursday, October 8, 2026, Honolulu Orchid Society Show, Washington Middle School Cafeteria. 231 plants were registered and displayed at the HOS Show. Nine plants were nominated for judging. After closer inspection and discussion eight of the nine plants were dismissed. One plant was judged and awarded and is shown below as Award No. 2026-24.

Monday, October 26, 2026, Aiea Orchid Club Meeting, Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria. 7 plants from 4 growers were registered at the Aiea Orchid Club meeting. Three of the plants were nominated for judging. Two plants were judged and awarded and are shown as Award No. 2026-25 below and 2026-26 on the next page.

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. November 14, 2026.



Award No. 2026-24
Cl. Russelliana 'Green Eyed Monster'
CCM HOS (84.5 Pts.)
Owner: **Jed Smith**



Award No. 2026-25
Den. Alisun Princess 'Taida'
CCM HOS (80.4 Pts.)
Owner: **Calvin Kumano**



Award No. 2026-25
Clo. JEM's Speckled Russ 'Blood Moon'
AM HOS (79.9 Pts.)
Owner: **Jed Smith**

Calendar of Events for November 2026

Tuesday, November 10, 7:00 pm, HOS Board of Trustees Meeting.
Zoom Video Conference

Thursday, November 12, 7:00 pm, HOS Judges Training.
Zoom Video Conference

Saturday, November 14, HOS Judging (plant registration 9:30 am to 10:00 am).
Lanakila Multi-Purpose Senior Center, 1640 Lanakila Avenue, Honolulu

Wednesday, November 18, 7:00 PM (Doors open at 6:30 PM), HOS General Membership Meeting.
Lanakila Elementary School Cafeteria, 717 North Kuakini Street, Honolulu, *Catch of the Day* presentation by **Roy Tokunaga**.

Monday, November 23, HOS Judging (plant registration 6:30 PM to 7:15 PM)
Aiea Orchid Club Meeting, Aiea Elementary School, 99-370 Moanalua Road, Aiea

Getting to Know Our Members
Walter Hiraishi
by Ruby Hiraishi



Walter and **Ruby** at last month's HOS meeting.

Walter was born and raised in Kona, Hawaii, and attended Wisconsin State University and the University of Hawaii for his teaching credentials. He was a secondary science/biology teacher at Waimea Intermediate and Castle High School, science resource teacher for the Windward District and environmental education resource teacher for the State Department of Education. He also taught science education for elementary teachers for many summers at the University of Hawaii at Manoa.

Walter's avocation has always been PLANTS! His yard is filled with orchids, anthuriums, terrariums, tillandsias, house plants and other greeneries. We moved from Kaneohe to Kailua so that he could have the 18,000 square feet of property to grow fruit trees and flowering as well as non-flowering plants! With the help of his orchid friends, he built a 60' x 40', 30' x 20' and a 10' x 20' greenhouse.



Walter in one of his 3 greenhouses filled with plants.

His interest and passion in orchids began in the late 1970s. He joined the Windward Orchid Society to learn about orchid culture. He got involved as an officer and served on the board for many many years. He met many expert orchid growers and made life-long friends. His favorite types of orchids were vandas and intergenerics. He mericloned the following plants which received awards: Miltonia Sandy's Cove `Walby` HCC/AOS, and Papilionanda Herbert Kurihara `Walby` AM/AOS. It was fun propagating orchids so he ventured into anthuriums and



Walter propagated many unique anthurium crosses



Walter had a business called Walby and sold plants at Shows and from home.



Walter utilizes his rock wall to grow air plants.

produced many unique anthurium crosses. As a teacher at Castle High School, Walter initiated a marine biology class which introduced another hobby--shell collection. He enjoyed collecting marine and land shells over many years. His entire shell collection was donated to the Bishop Museum Malacology Department in Honolulu.

Walter joined the Honolulu Orchid Society in May 2020 to further his interest and knowledge in orchids. He continued to meet many expert orchid growers and friendly members. Walter truly appreciates the hard work of the Officers and Trustees of the Honolulu Orchid Society to focus on learning about orchid culture. The opportunity to learn from effective and knowledgeable monthly speakers is great. The members are also very generous, friendly and hard working.

Walter wishes to thank all the Orchid Societies on Oahu and Kauai for inviting him to share his orchid knowledge with others as a resource speaker. It is gratifying for him to see effective Orchid Societies continue to support orchid enthusiasts throughout Hawaii.

After Walter retired from being an educator, he started a business called “Walby”, a certified orchid nursery. He derived the name "Walby" by taking the first 3 letters of is first name and the last 2 letters of my name. Walter enjoyed raising and selling orchids, anthuriums, air plants, and house plants at orchid shows and from his home for the past 30 years.

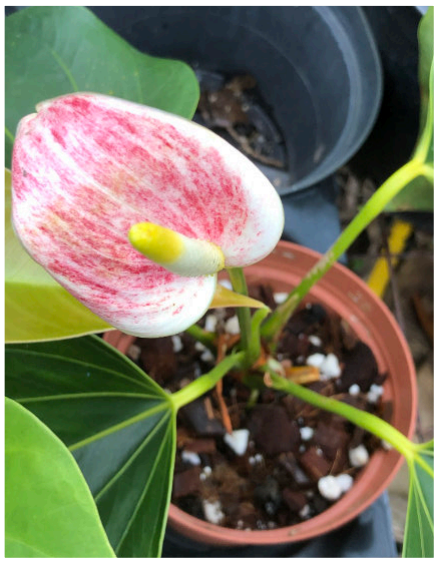
Walter does have a life besides raising plants. He is fortunate that his family including myself, Wade(son) and Tami, Rae(daughter) and Toby and 4 grandsons, Cameron, Carson, Wynn and Tage have supported his personal and



This is **Walter's** awarded Papilionanda Herbert Kurihara `Walby` AM/AOS that he mericloned.



Walter grows this air plant (Tillandsia funckiana) in full sun which flushes red.



Walter ventured into propagating anthuriums. This is one of his amazing crosses.

professional interests. We were avid golfers and traveled to neighbor islands, Japan, Canada and different parts of the mainland to play golf. We even played at the famous Pebble Beach Golf Course in California!! At the present time Walter and I are busy attending our grandsons' school programs and athletics events on weekends. We are blessed with good health, positive attitudes and many friends! Thank you for letting me share Walter's story. -**Ruby**-

Tip of the Month

by Scot Mitamura

This month I am going to discuss how to build an orchid collection you can be proud of. I wish I had more guidance in the pursuit of my orchid treasures. This would have saved me a lot of money, not to mention the premature deaths of many rare and exotic orchids. Today it is so much easier to make better decisions on what to buy. Fifty years ago, when I started, gathering information on orchids was mostly through books and periodicals, but now at our fingertips we have the internet. My suggestion is to research a little about the orchid you are planning on buying. I no longer purchase cool growing orchids from high elevation, expecting them to thrive at sea level. Even if I get them to flower, the flowers will be of poor color and size. I have noticed that I can successfully grow cool growing hybrids that have been crossed with warm growing ones. This is just one example, but it is always good to find out the plant's country of origin and their growing requirements.

Control yourself! It is better to have a small collection of well grown orchids, instead of a large collection of neglected poorly grown plants. Believe me, I am the latter, and it

makes a fun hobby into a frustrating ordeal. Try to focus on the species of orchids you like and can grow well, because you can't collect everything. Beware, Orchidaceae is the largest family of plants in the plant kingdom, so it's easy to lose control! Always remember that good nurseries actively cull the old diseased orchids that have not performed well and will get new vigorous growing healthy stock as replacement.

The best thing to do is to join one or more of your local orchid clubs. They are a wealth of knowledge and a great source for orchids that you can grow in your unique area. Most clubs will offer plant giveaways, sales, auctions, and shows. This will be your best resource for orchids you can successfully grow, from a vendor you can talk to. Big box stores and garden shops are sometimes worthwhile to check out, but don't expect to get much help. Buying off the internet is fun but you need to deal with import permits, shady vendors, and you need to know what you are doing. I restrict myself in only purchasing from a few reputable vendors. Of course, if there is an orchid show in town, it is a must attend.

Mark your calendars; On Wednesday November 4, 2026, the Windward Orchid Society is having their annual Orchid Auction at the King Middle School Cafeteria, starting at 7 pm. We will be having everything from orchid supplies to orchids and plants for silent and open bid auctions, to even some onolicious baked goods. Everyone is invited; you don't have to be a member! I have been collecting orchids all year long from many of the top nurseries around the state. Opening bids for most of the auction plants start just above wholesale, so now is the time to get some great deals. If you overbid, don't feel bad because you will be supporting the club, which will be using the funds to help offset our Christmas Banquet. This in turn allows me to purchase, guess what, more orchids for the banquet! It should be a fun night; I hope to see you there.

P.S. Bring your smart phone to research the orchids in case I don't have the photos for everything. Come early, and I will give you a strategy on how to maximize your limited time in bidding.

Aloha, Scot

This article appeared in the November 2026 issue of the Windward Orchid Society Newsletter and is reprinted here with the approval of Scot Mitamura and the Windward Orchid Society.

It's November!
Catasetinae Plant Culture

Information received from ***Fred Clarke*** *and* ***Carlos Lopez*** *of* ***Sunset Valley Orchids, Inc.***

As we can tell, the weather is changing and your Catasetinae are now in their final stages of growth. This was an excellent year for Catasetinae; many growers from around the country reported a fantastic flowering season.

The first signs of dormancy will soon be evident, with some areas already seeing the start of the beginning of dormancy. This is the time to stop fertilizing and begin to

decrease irrigation frequency allowing for increasing longer dry intervals between waterings.

In nature three important changes are occurring: 1) the rainy season is nearing its end with less frequent rain, 2) day length is shortening and 3) nights and days are cooler. These are the environmental factors that start the dormancy process.

With less rain fall, fewer nutrients are moved to the root system (thus stop fertilizing) and the roots stay dryer longer (thus reduce irrigation frequency). This increasing dryness between irrigation is an indicator to the plant to harden off their pseudobulbs in preparation for the 2-4 month winter dry period. Hardened off bulbs are better at storing water through dormancy.

Temperatures in the day of 70-85 and nights of 60-70 are ideal. Humidity should be maintained at 40-60%, however brief periods outside this range are not a problem. Maintain light levels as you have had throughout the growing season. And if you are growing under lights remember to reduce the day length by one hour each month to simulate the shortening days of fall and winter for your plants.

No re-potting at this time, the roots are well-developed and will resent being disturbed. If you were negligent, it is better to wait until next spring.
One of the great attributes of the Catasetinae is their deciduous nature. If you experienced some leaf damage this summer don't worry, those leaves are going to drop off soon and next spring your plant will grow a new set. How many orchids are that forgiving when the leaves are damaged?

This is my favorite time of year, as walking through the greenhouses it looks like almost everything is blooming! There are Catasetums in flower, the Cycnoches are blooming, and the first of the Mormodes are in spike! But there is still more to look forward to as the blooming season for Clowesia rosea hybrids begins in December and January.

Recipe of the Month

Orange Sherbet Jello Salad

by Author: **Lori Lange** (www.recipegirl.com/orange-sherbet-jello-salad/)

Author's Note: *"I have a soft spot for cheerful, old-fashioned desserts like this one. The creamy orange flavor tastes just like a creamsicle in Jell-form–light, fruity, and nostalgic. If you're looking for something easy, make-ahead, and guaranteed to make people smile, this Orange Sherbet Jello Salad is it. It's the perfect combination of sweet simplicity and retro charm!*" -**RecipeGirl**



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Best side salad for holiday dinners!

Prep Time: 15 minutes Chill Time: 6 hours
Total Time: 6 hours hrs 15minutes

Course: Salad Cuisine: American Keyword: Jello Salad, orange sherbet, orange sherbet jello salad

Servings: 8 servings

Equipment

- Jello Ring Mold (You need it for the Jello!)

Ingredients

- One 6-ounce box Orange Jell-O
- 1 cup boiling water
- One 15-ounce can mandarin oranges (drain, and save the juice)
- 1 pint (2 cups) orange sherbet, softened

Instructions

1. In a medium bowl, stir hot water into the Jell-O powdered gelatin until it is completely dissolved. Add the mandarin orange juice and the softened sherbet and continue to mix until the sherbet is melted.

2. Spray a jello mold (or an 8x8-inch glass pan) with nonstick spray. Pour the Jell-O mixture into the mold and gently scatter the orange slices into the mixture.

3. Refrigerate for several hours (or overnight) until well set. Carefully turn out the chilled jello mold onto a decorative plate (see tips below). Or if you used a square dish, you can just put it out for scooping and serving. Keep refrigerated until ready to serve.

Notes

- *Tips for getting the Jell-O out of the mold: Use a small rubber spatula or a knife to loosen the edges of the salad. Place a serving plate on top of the mold and gently flip it over. If the Jell-O doesn't seem to be coming out, you can always place the bottom of the pan in warm water for about 10 seconds, then flip it over. It should slide right out.
- Softened sherbet mixes in more evenly — let it sit at room temperature for 5 to 10 minutes before adding it in.
- Make-Ahead Tip: this Jello salad is an ideal make-ahead dessert! Mix it, chill it, and forget it. It's best served cold, so overnight chilling makes it even better. If you're using a mold, let it set for at least 6 hours (or overnight) for perfect results.
- For a fun presentation, garnish with whipped cream, fresh mint, or extra mandarin orange slices.
- You can substitute other flavors of sherbet (like lime or raspberry) for a colorful twist.

Nutrition

Serving: 1g | Calories: 194kcal | Carbohydrates: 44g | Protein: 3g | Fat: 1g | Saturated Fat: 1g | Cholesterol: 1mg | Sodium: 127mg | Potassium: 145mg | Fiber: 2g | Sugar: 38g | Vitamin A: 389IU | Vitamin C: 16mg | Calcium: 52mg | Iron: 1mg