

# The Orchidist



## SFOS AUGUST 2011 PROGRAM

Our speakers this month will be Sandi Jones and Tom Wells who are co-owners of Broward Orchid Supply as well as Orchid Curators at the Bonnet House Museum & Garden in Ft. Lauderdale. They're also orchid hobbyists with about 400 orchids of their own and over 30 years of combined growing experience.

At this lecture, Tom will demonstrate how to repot an overgrown orchid and how to mount an orchid on such diverse items as tree fern, cork bark, grapevine and cypress. Common questions such as what size and type of pot or basket to use, what type of potting media and what orchids are best for mounting will be addressed. General cultural information and tips on when and how

to use fertilizers, fungicides and pesticides will also be discussed.

Orchid supplies will be available for sale at the meeting but, of course, it's not possible to bring everything, so members are requested to call or e-mail ahead to place specific orders.

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And be sure to check out their website at

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Carol De Biase—Program Chairperson

**Thanks to Dan & Margie Orchids who will be providing the plant raffle table tonight.**

### SFOS Dates to Remember!

- **September 21<sup>st</sup>, 2011 – Brian Monk will present a program on Brazilian Miltonias.**
- **October 1<sup>st</sup> & 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 - SFOS Orchid Show at the University of Miami Bank United Center.**
- **October 2<sup>nd</sup>, 2011 – Speakers Day Event, University of Miami Bank United Center.**
- **October 19<sup>th</sup>, 2011 – Tom Kuligowski will present a program on Angraecums with a mini-class on how to mount them.**

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## PRESIDENTS MESSAGE

Well - we are off and running! The Show plans are coming together quite well. Did you see the fliers? Have you given any of them out? Have you seen the poster? Have you put any of them up - any place? What about the 32" TV that will be raffled off at the Show - did you buy a ticket or two? I did and you can too, at the next meeting on August 17th. Tickets on the 32" TV are \$1.00 each or get 6 for only \$5.00. The closer the Show gets the more help will be needed - get ready to volunteer - Dan will be calling on you!

Our meeting on July 20th was really fun. Thank you to David Genovese for all the information and all the plants on the raffle table. Did everyone get to pot up some plants? What a fun thing for David to let you all do - learning to pot up little baby plants. I didn't get to help but then as they say "been there, done that".

I was in the back room helping with the judging. What a beautiful array of plants that you all entered for judging. So many nice plants and really unusual flowers, hope you were a lucky one with a blue ribbon or two. Keep up the good work. Plants for judging must be entered by 7:30 the night of our meetings. Remember now is the time to start talking nicely to your plants - they need to be ready for entering at the Show or at the next meeting - August 17th, give them a choice. Try telling them what lovely trophies are available at the Show.

Speaking of trophies - how would you like to sponsor one? If you want to be a sponsor, call the office and talk to Ellen.

Did you sign up for refreshments? I think I forgot to mention it at the meeting - sorry for that. If you didn't sign up - you can still bring something to share. I'm happy to tell you all that Marlene is out of the hospital, but was not quite up to getting to the meeting. Marlene - get stronger and back to work - we miss you and we need you!

Now about the raffle table - what a great number of plants were available for us! Yes, that's right I got more than my share at 6 but someone got 4 plants on 5 tickets - no I'm not going to tell you who it was. If you missed the meeting you missed the fun! Ralph did a fine job keeping the tickets mixed up - when he was not picking out a plant for himself or for Carlos, from the raffle table. Thank you - Julie for watching my tickets and picking out plants for me.

By the time you all get around to reading this - the August 17 meeting will be right around the corner. Wonder how many raffle plants and other things will be available for us. I'm in - how about you?

Hope your summer is going the way you planned it. I know one retiree who is having a ball. If you are traveling - I hope your travels are safe. We want to see you at the next meeting.

Sally Taylor—President

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## Call For Volunteers!

**As I'm sure you know, the South Florida Orchid Society is holding a show and Speakers Day on October 1<sup>st</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> of this year. Of course you probably also know that events like this don't just happen by themselves. It takes a lot of work to put together an event like this. It's important to the Society for this event to be a**

**success. In order for that to happen we need volunteers to help in various ways both before and during the show. If you have the time and want to help we would love to have you. Just call Ellen Hanson at (305) 255-3656 or email [sforchid@bellsouth.net](mailto:sforchid@bellsouth.net) for all the details.**

## JULY 2011 JUDGING REPORT

We had a great start to our 2011-2012 judging year. There were 16 entries winning points toward the year end trophies. I want to thank everyone who brought their plants for us to enjoy.

It's also my pleasure to announce that Judy Mezey has joined the SFOS judging committee as a student. If anyone else would like to participate in judging please let me know.

First Place Winners:

*Gram. scriptum* var. *citrinum*—Lore Wigley



*Hab. medusae*—Odalis Navarro



*Bulb. makoyanum*—Dave Foster

*Paph. Frank Smith*—Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker





**JULY 2011 JUDGING REPORT CONTINUED**

L. anceps—Christa Collins



Ctd. Gower Ramsey—John King



C. Bactia 'Grape Wax'—Dave Foster



Phal. World Class X Phal. Black Rose—Judy Mezey

## JULY 2011 JUDGING REPORT CONTINUED

Blc. Campobello 'Mendenhall'—Angelica Ruggeri



E. phoenicea—Pablo Esperon



Congratulations to all of our July winners. Remember, you can't win if you don't bring in your plants.

Bonnie Riley—Judging Chairperson

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### TV Raffle!

The South Florida Orchid Society will be holding a raffle for a 32" LCD High Definition TV at its October show, "Falling for Orchids".

Tickets will be available for purchase at regular Society meetings and at the Hospitality booth at the show. Tickets are \$1.00 each or 6 for \$5.00.



## South Florida Orchid Society Orchid Show "Falling For Orchids"

The South Florida Orchid Society is having an Orchid Show "Falling For Orchids" at the University of Miami Bank United Center on October 1 & 2, 2011. The Show hours are 10:00 am until 5:00 pm. on both Saturday and Sunday. The University Of Miami Bank United Center is located at:

Bank United Center (University of Miami)  
1245 Dauer Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146

The Bank United Center is easy to get to. For exact directions please look on their website ([bankunitedcenter.com](http://bankunitedcenter.com)). The Bank United center is located directly across the street from the University Metrorail station. There is plenty of parking in the lot in front of the center.

Tickets for the event can be purchased at the door for \$10.00. The Show will feature orchid displays and vendors with orchid plants and orchid related items.

### Orchid Show Vendors List

- Adamson's Orchids
- Amazonia Orchids
- Bactria Design
- Carmela Orchids
- Dan & Margie Orchids
- Gold Country Orchids
- Hanging Gardens
- Krull-Smith Orchids
- Mac's Orchids
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### 2011 SOUTH FLORIDA ORCHID SOCIETY ORCHID SHOW *"Falling For Orchids"* and *Speakers Day Event*

ORCHID SHOW  
OCTOBER 1 & 2, 2011 - 10:00 AM - 5:00 PM  
ADMISSION \$10.00 (10 AND UNDER FREE)

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OCTOBER 2, 2011 8:00 AM - 4:00 PM  
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Submissions from members are always appreciated. If you have an orchid growing technique that works for you we want to know about it. We don't need anything fancy; a simple text file is fine. If you have digital photos send them along too. We'll take it from there. You will, of course, receive credit for your submission.

Please send your submissions to ...  
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See you next month!

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**Show Trophy Sponsorships Available**

If you'd like to sponsor a trophy at this year's South Florida Orchid Society show, "Falling for Orchids", please contact Ellen Hanson at (305) 255-3656 or via email at [sforchid@bellsouth.net](mailto:sforchid@bellsouth.net).

## SFOS SPEAKERS DAY 2011

SFOS will host its annual Speakers Day Event on Sunday, October 2, 2011 at University of Miami BankUnited Center, 1245 Dauer Drive, Coral Gables, FL. We have a wonderful panel of highly respected speakers and Speakers' Day has AOS approval for judging seminar credits. Several of our speakers will be participating in the SFOS Show as well. This year's speakers are:

**Alan Koch - "365 Days of Cattleya Blossoms for the South Florida Garden"** This talk looks at species and hybrids for year round color. Alan has taken into account the warm summers and our occasional frigid winter nights and discusses only plants that can take both extremes. The plants discussed can be mounted in trees or grown in pots on a covered patio and don't have to be brought inside on those occasional cold nights.

**Bill Rogerson - "Cattleya Species and Their Culture"** Bill Rogerson is an orchid hobbyist who lives in Chicago and specializes in growing and collecting Cattleya alliance species. He is an AOS Judge and has won over 100 AOS awards, mostly to Cattleya alliance species.

**Frank Smith – "Current Phalaenopsis breeding in the US"** He is the founder of Krull Smith Orchids and has been growing orchids for over 40 years. He is an accredited AOS Judge and on the Board of Trustees as well. Frank is mostly known in the orchid world for his Paphiopedilums and Phragmipediums.

**Andrea Niessen – "Colombian Orchids with S for South Florida"** This talk will show the diversity of the Colombian Orchids with emphasis on genera that can be grown in South Florida such as, Schomburgkias, Sobralias, and Stanhopeas. It will explain their natural habitat, hybrids and possibilities of cultivation.

**Weyman Bussey – "Mexican Orchid Species Update"** What's new and different of the showiest species, where they come from and how to tell them apart. This presentation will cover over 50 species among a dozen genera of the showy Mexican orchids you thought you might have known, at least the name. Particular emphasis will be placed on the epiphytic Epidendrae, especially, Myrmecophila, Encyclia, and Laelia.

**Speakers Day Schedule:**

<b>8:00 - 9:00</b>	<b>Breakfast</b>	<b>1:00 - 2:00</b>	<b>Frank Smith</b>
<b>9:00 - 10:00</b>	<b>Alan Koch</b>	<b>2:00 - 3:00</b>	<b>Andrea Niessen</b>
<b>10:00 - 11:00</b>	<b>Bill Rogerson</b>	<b>3:00 - 4:00</b>	<b>Weyman Bussey</b>
<b>11:00 - 1:00</b>	<b>Lunch</b>	<b>4:00 - 5:00</b>	<b>Plant show &amp; sales open</b>

Tickets for Speakers Day are \$45.00 per person. The price includes a continental breakfast and lunch. This is one of the major orchid events held annually in South Florida and tickets are limited and sold on a first-come, first-served basis. Tickets are not available at the door. To register, please send your check and this order form to the SFOS office: 10801 S.W. 124 St., Miami, FL 33176. For more information call (305) 255-3656.

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