

The Orchidist



SFOS September 19, 2012 Program

Georgia Tasker, a long time member of the South Florida Orchid Society, will present our September program. Georgia will present a program titled ***"Biodiversity in Ecuador, including the Galapagos Islands"***.

Georgia Tasker is a writer on staff at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens in Coral Gables. She writes for *The Tropical Garden* magazine, has a gardening blog on the Fairchild website, and has written 3 handbooks in her on-going series, *"Gardening With Fairchild"*.

Prior to joining the Garden staff in 2009, she was a garden writer with The Miami Herald and the author of 3 garden books. She is a graduate of Hanover College in Indiana and received the first certificate in tropical botany from FIU in 1984. She was a Pulitzer Prize finalist and a Knight Journalism Fellow at Stanford University. She has been awarded the Barbour Medal from Fairchild and the first lifetime achievement award from Tropical Audubon Society.

She is a photographer, amateur birder, butterfly gardener and passionate traveler, having been to the Arctic and the Antarctic, Madagascar, Africa, Borneo, Papua New Guinea, Australia, China, Japan, all of Europe, Central America and much of South America. Just recently, she watched whales in Baja California, Mexico and spent six weeks in Myanmar, India, Bhutan and Nepal.

We hope you will join us and bring a friend for this wonderful presentation by Georgia Tasker.

Carol

Show Trophy Sponsorships Available!

If you would like to sponsor a trophy at the upcoming 66th Miami International Orchid Show, "Autumn Festival of Orchids" we have a number of trophies available. Sponsorships are just \$50 per trophy.

Call Ellen at the SFOS office at 305-255-3656 for details.

President's Message

What a great meeting we had on August 15 with our very own, Carlos Cahiz, from OFE. I know when a program is going well - that is when you our members are asking questions and getting answers. Carlos was just the person to answer the questions too! If any of you are like me - I get all mixed up on the "use this for that" stuff - I have to go back and find some notes on it or look it up, yet again - I guess my brain is just too small to keep it all in. Thank you, Carlos for coming and imparting your knowledge to us. Thank you, also for the great Raffle Table - yes, that is right I got the plant I had my eyes on!

I want to say "Thank You" to Bob and Mike at R.F. Orchids for the donation of our Refreshment Raffle Plant. Thanks also to Christa Collins for her plant donation to the raffles.

Our Refreshments Bar continues to be just a great selection of goodies. You all are so very good at bring things that may not always be on my diet - oh well, all things in moderation. Keep up the good work.

I know Carol has a great program for us on September 19. I am going to ask all of you reading your newsletter - to come out and support the Society on September 19 - because I won't be there - I'll be on my way, or will have arrived in San Antonio, Texas to show my dogs. I hope that you all will keep things going for me - I have faith in you.

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RF Orchids will provide our plant raffle table this month!

Upcoming Events!

- **October 5, 6, 7, 2012— 66th Miami International Orchid Show, "Autumn Festival of Orchids" at the Bank United Center, University of Miami.**
- **October 17, 2012 - Greg Allikas will present "The 25 Best Orchids I Have Seen In The Past Three Years".**

SOUTH FLORIDA ORCHID SOCIETY

Presents

The 66th Miami International Orchid Show

Autumn Festival of Orchids

**BankUnited Center, University of Miami
1245 Daurer Drive, Coral Gables, FL 33146**

Orchid Show Dates

October 5, 6, & 7 2012

10:00am-5:00pm

Admission

only \$10.00

(10 and under FREE)

Speaker's Day

October 7, 2012

8:00am-4:00pm

Admission \$45.00

(Includes Continental
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Sunday Show Admission)



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Ample Parking

**Remember! Current South Florida Orchid Society Members receive FREE ADMISSION to the Show!!!
Just show your current membership card and a photo ID at the door!**

Current Vendor list for the 66th Miami International Orchid Show.

Orchid Vendors

- Adamson's Orchids
- Amazonia Orchids
- Carmela Orchids
- Clorina Orquideas
- Dan & Margie Orchids
- J & L Orchids
- Krull Smith
- Mac's Orchids
- Miller's Way Orchids
- Odom's Orchids
- Orquideas Del Valle
- Quest Orchids
- Ruben In Orchids
- St. Germain Orchids
- Soroa Orchids

Orchid Related Vendors

- Bactra
- Hanging Gardens
- OFE Orchid Supplies
- Nature on the Rocks
- Victoria's Collection

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We are very pleased to announce that the SFOS will be holding classes on various orchid topics at the upcoming 66th annual Miami International Orchid Show, "Autumn Festival of Orchids". Classes will be held on Saturday morning and afternoon, the 6th of October, 2012. We've lined up a stellar group of orchid experts to teach on a wide verity of topics in both English and Spanish. Admission is FREE! Below is a list of scheduled classes and speakers.

<u>Class time</u>	<u>Speaker</u>	<u>Representing</u>	<u>Class Subject</u>	<u>Language</u>
10:30	Carol DeBiase	SFOS	General Culture	English
12:00	Jan Adamson	Adamson's Orchids	Phalaenopsis Culture	English
1 PM	Ruben Saulea	Ruben In Orchids	General Culture	English/Spanish
2 PM	Dan Christensen	Dan&Margie Orchids	Vandaceous Culture	English
3 PM	Mac Rivenbark	Mac's Orchids	Mounting/Species	English
4 PM	Segundo Cuesta	Quest Orchids	Cultivando Orquideas	English/Spanish

August 2012 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg, Javier Morejon and Erna Maxwell

Medals:

Trgl. brachiata - Bronze Medal 79 points - Christa Collins.

Blue Ribbons:

Trgl. brachiata - Christa Collins

Erna Maxwell—Judging Chairperson.

Culture Ribbons:

Trgl. brachiata - Christa Collins

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Trgl. Brachiata—Christa Collins



The 2012 South Florida Orchid Society Holiday party will be located at the Olive Garden Restaurant at 8201 W. Flagler Street in Miami, Florida on Wednesday, December 19th, 2012

Tickets are just \$10 for members and \$15 for guests and include your choice of 5 different entrees.

All entrees include:

Freshly baked garlic breadsticks

Your choice of Homemade soup or garden fresh salad

Fountain drink, coffee, tea or juice with complimentary refills

You can choose from the following entrees.

Spaghetti & Meatballs

Traditional meat sauce over spaghetti with meatballs

Lasagna Classico

Layers of pasta, meat sauce and mozzarella, ricotta, parmesan and romano cheese

Eggplant Parmigiana

Lightly breaded eggplant, fried and topped with marinara sauce, mozzarella and parmesan cheese.
Served with spaghetti

Fettuccine Alfredo

Parmesan cream sauce with a hint of garlic, served over fettuccine

Ravioli di Portobello

Portobello mushroom filled ravioli in a creamy smoked cheese and sun-dried tomato sauce

REMEMBER, YOUR ONE LOW PRICE INCLUDES EVERYTHING LISTED ABOVE AS WELL AS ALL TAXES AND GRATUITIES.

This year, rather than have a gift exchange we are asking attendees to bring a toy or food item to be distributed to needy families this holiday season.

SFOS Members

\$10.00

Guests

\$15.00

A special thanks to Bob and Mike at RF Orchids for providing such beautiful plants for our refreshment raffle.

If you would like a chance to win one of these lovely plants all you need to do is sign up with Angelica to bring a refreshment item to one of our regular monthly meetings!

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Christa Collins, Ron Hunt, Carlos Cahiz

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SOUTH FLORID ORCHID SOCIETY

September 2012 meeting

One ticket per member / Members Only!

Expiration Date: 09/19/12

Items of Interest

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Please remember we have an Orchid Show and Speakers Day coming up just a few days after our meeting. Please talk these events up with your friends and neighbors.

Don't forget to sign up for our Holiday Dinner Party which will be held on our regular meeting night - December 19 - at the Olive Garden on Flagler Street in Miami. It is only \$10.00 for members and you will get a Member Gift Plant.

Please consider bringing some canned good or a toy as a donation for those in need at the Holiday Season.

So, as the summer has or is closing out - I hope you have had a really great one. I have!

I will be missing you at the September meeting - but I will be seeing you at the "**Autumn Festival of Orchids**" on October 5, 6, or seven or all three days - ***your membership badge and picture ID will get you in for free!***

Sally

IMPORTANT NOTICE!

THERE WILL BE NO REGULAR MONTHLY MEETING IN NOVEMBER DUE TO ITS CLOSE PROXIMITY TO THE THANKSGIVING HOLIDAY. ALSO, IN DECEMBER, WE WILL HAVE OUR ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY ON WHAT WOULD BE OUR REGULAR DECEMBER MEETING DATE.

Members are asked to please bring refreshment items to our monthly meetings. Got a recipe you need to try out? Here's your chance!

Oh, and chips are OK too!

MEMBER BENEFITS AND PRIVILEGES

- **MEETING AND MIXING** with many friendly and helpful orchid "neighbors", amateurs, advanced collectors and commercial growers.
- **WELCOME KIT** includes first purchase discount coupons from leading member growers.
- **MONTHLY MEETINGS** with slide lectures by leading local and national orchid authorities – exhibits and refreshments.
- **EXHIBIT TABLE** each month for displays of member's plants. Some plants are spotlighted and exhibitors identified before members.
- **JUDGING** each month by qualified regional and national judges.
- **MONTHLY NEWSLETTER** that includes awards given and timely cultural notes.
- **FESTIVE HOLIDAY PARTY!**
- **FREE ADMISSION** to the annual **SFOS** Show!
- **AIR CONDITIONED** spacious conveniently located meeting hall with ample **FREE** parking.

South Florida Orchid Society

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Meetings are held the third Wednesday of each month at the Fire Fighters Memorial Building, 8000 N.W. 21st Street Miami, FL 33122-1605

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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. You don't need to send anything fancy; a 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.

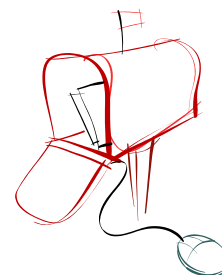
Please send your submissions to ...

theorchidist@gmail.com

And be sure to visit our website at...

www.sforchid.com

See you next month!



SFOS SPEAKERS DAY 2012

SFOS will host its annual Speakers Day Event on Sunday, October 7, 2012 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:

Cordelia Head - Cordelia has been growing orchids for more than thirty years and specializes in miniature orchids. She is an AOS accredited judge and has lectured both nationally and internationally including the World Orchid Conferences in Miami, France, Malaysia, Vancouver, Glasgow and many others. The title of Cordelia's talk will be Warm Growing Miniature Orchids. This will be informative and entertaining and suitable for both the beginner and expert grower.

Howard Liebman - Dr Howard Liebman has been growing orchids since the age of 12. He has registered over 120 orchid hybrids and 41 of his hybrids have won awards from the American Orchid Society, Royal Horticultural Society and the Australian Orchid Congress. Dr Liebman is a certified AOS Judge and has served on the Research Committee of the American Orchid Society. The title of his talk is: The Spectacular Cyrtorchilums: An under- appreciated member of the Oncidium Alliance.

Nina Rach – Nina is an Accredited AOS Judge affiliated with the Houston Judging Center and a past-president of the Houston Orchid Society. She maintains a varied collection of orchids, predominately species in a twin-walled polycarbonate greenhouse and a shade house on the Gulf Coast of Texas. She maintains the Sobralias pages website and the Stanhopeas pages website. The title of Nina's talk is "What you need to know about Sobralias and Stanhopeas".

David Horak - Since 2000, David Horak has been the Curator of the Orchid Collection and the Robert W. Wilson Aquatic House at Brooklyn Botanic Garden and currently serves as the chair of the AOS Conservation Committee. An accredited AOS judge, he has been growing orchids for more than 34 years. The title of David's talk is: Catasetinae and other Deciduous Orchids.

Manolito Caluff - was born in Santiago de Cuba in 1945. In 1976 he began his studies in Botany, and the plant collection that originated the Fern Garden of Santiago de Cuba, institution adscript to the Cuban Sciences Academy, being its Director until today. Caluff is President of the Amateur Botanist Association of Santiago de Cuba from 1992 and of the Popular Gardening National Group from 2006. The title of Manolito's talk is "Cuban Orchids."

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 to the SFOS office: 10801 S.W. 124 St., Miami, FL 33176. For more information call (305) 255-3656.

Speakers Day Schedule:

8:00 - 9:00	Breakfast	1:00 - 2:00	Manolito Caluff
9:00 - 10:00	Cordelia Head	2:00 - 3:00	Nina Rach
10:00 - 11:00	Howard Liebman	3:00 - 4:00	David Horak
11:00 - 1:00	Lunch	4:00 - 5:00	Show and Plant Sales

Name: _____

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Please reserve _____ seats @ \$45.00 Total amount enclosed: _____

Visa & MasterCard accepted: # _____

Expiration date: _____

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