



The Orchidist

SFOS June 17th, 2015 Program

President's Message

Our speaker for June is Ken Russ, who together with his lovely wife Judy, have been growing orchids for more than 20 years and have become multiple AOS award winners. After so many years of growing orchids Ken and Judy realized there was a need to share their orchid growing knowledge with all level orchid growers so they decided to create some innovative and practical presentations specially geared to help Florida orchid society members perfect the art of orchid growing.



Ken Russ

Ken and Judy currently live in Port St Lucie on a waterway home they affectionately refer to as "The Puddle". Here they grow about 900 orchids, in a shade house, lanai and in a shaded "Pine Forest". They have enjoyed entering many orchid shows, taking part in societal orchid displays, and have received many ribbons and awards along the way. Since 2004, their orchids have received 32 AOS awards and on two occasions, Ken has won the AOS Show Trophy for the best orchid display in an orchid show. Ken loves sharing how he and Judy grow their orchids, including tips they have found successful through the years. Ken has prepared a PowerPoint presentation entitled "**Mounting Orchids**". When speaking to Judy she said, "We simply love mounting orchids and have tried many different methods and our program deals with what we've learned from trial and error through all these years".

I hope you will find this month's speaker presentation refreshing, informative and helpful in growing mounted orchids successfully!

In addition, Ken and Judy will also be bringing some plant divisions for sale from their own awarded collection but wait this is not all!! Ken and Judy also make some unique handmade orchid pottery, including handmade paph. pots and clay mounting slabs. You can check their website at www.puddlepottery.com for some of their unique handmade orchid pottery just in case you might want to order from them in advance.

I hope you enjoy this month's speakers and see you at the meeting!!

Guillermo Salazar—1st Vice President

Hello all:

This will be my last letter as President of your South Florida Orchid Society.

I figure a historical narrative of the events from the last two years is in order.

When I joined the board of directors of your S.F.O.S., we were in the midst of tumultuous changes.

The famous Miami International Orchid Show had almost been cancelled. The S.F.O.S. was continuing to lose money, members, reputation, and friends in the orchid community.

Look at us now...

Membership is ticking upwards every month.

The Miami International Orchid Show has continued to increase attendance and revenues for the last four years.

We have mended our fences within our community, and reopen communications with anyone willing to talk to us.

We have managed to correct most of the monetary issues affecting our financial wellbeing.

We have a strong, independent Board of Directors watching over your S.F.O.S.

We have a friendly, comfortable meeting place, where everybody is always welcome.

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Upcoming Events

- **SFOS July 15th Members Meeting — Culture Workshop!**



SFOS Show Vendor List



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**ORCHID
FIESTA**

**October
9th - 11th
2015**

2015 Miami International Orchid Show

2015 SFOS Orchid Show "Orchid Fiesta" Orchid Vendors		
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May 20th 2015 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg, Javier Morejon and Erna Maxwell
Student Judge: Carlos Ochoa

Blue Ribbons:

- *Asctm. ampullaceum* v. album - Betty Eber
- *Rhy. celestis* pink - Betty Eber
- *Lockhartia dipleura* - Betty Eber
- Renanstylis Bangkok Beauty - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- Enc. Nina Chin (Orchid Jungle x recurvata) - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- Epc. Siam Jade - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- Phal. Sapphire's Galah Dtps. Purple Martin 'Krull Smith' x *Phal. violacea* indigo 'Classic Blueberry Pie' - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- C. Green Emerald 'Orchid Queen' AM/AOS - David Foster
- *Den. wassellii* - David Foster
- *Ascochilus siamensis* - David Foster
- Paph. Honey - Javier Morejon
- *Bro. sanguinea* ('Star Splash' x semi alba) - Jim and Linda Wheeler
- *Laelia purpurata* v. *carnea* - Ralph Hernandez

Red Ribbons:

- Odcdm. Everglades Elegance 'Nancy Lee' - Alfredo Figueroa & Aned Lamboglia
- *Enc. quesigue* - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- Vasco. Pine Rivers - Sandy Schultz & Georgia Tasker
- Lc. Schilleriana v. *coerulea* - Betty Eber
- Stlma. Kelly 'Lea' - Betty Eber
- *Enc. (alata x alata)* 'Early Bird' - Jim & Linda Wheeler
- *Stan. tricornis* - Lorraine Lee
- *Cisch. dasyandra* - Lorraine Lee
- Clo. Mark Margolis - Lorraine Lee

Thank you for showing your blooms.

There will be no judging in June.

In July, we look forward to your well-groomed Beauties.
Please have your plants in place before 7:30 PM so that the judges too can enjoy the program.

Erna Maxwell, Judging Chair.

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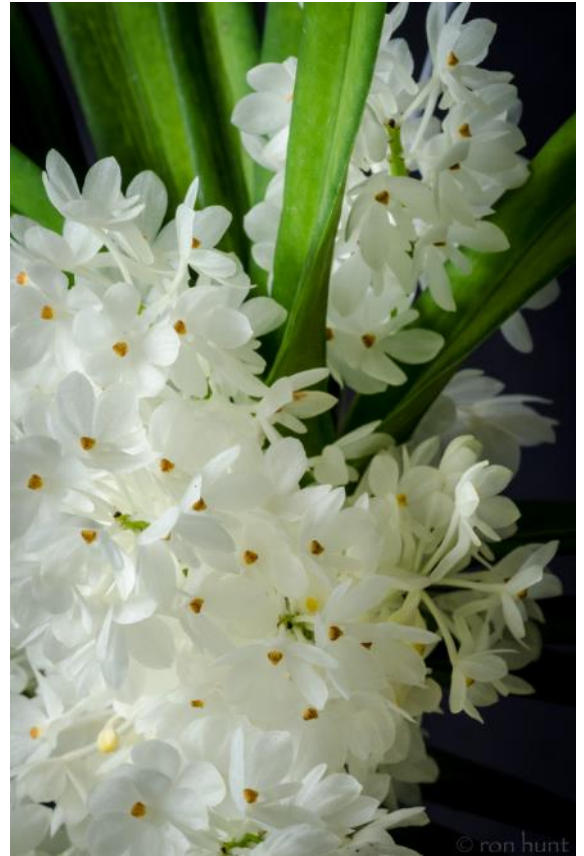


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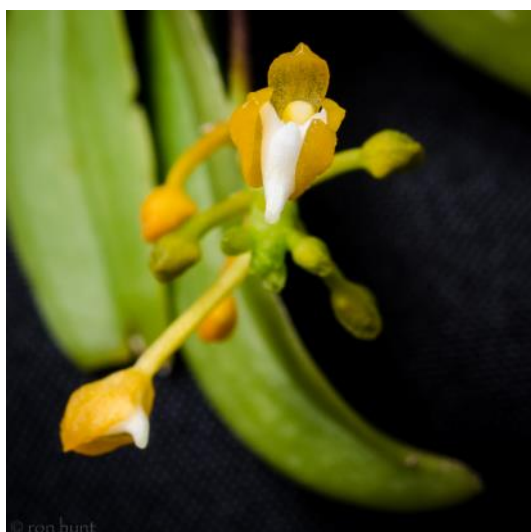


C. Green Emerald 'Orchid Queen'
AM/AOS
David Foster

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All this happened, in part, because we were in the right place at the right time.

And, in part, because I was extremely fortunate to be around people with whom all these changes became possible.

To each and every one of you, I give my eternal gratitude.

Best growing,

Carlos

PS: Our remaining meeting dates at CTK church are: Jun. 17th, Jul. 15th, Aug. 19th, Sep. 16th, Oct. 21st, Nov. 18th, with our Holiday Dinner December 16th.

PSS: Our Fall Orchid Show, 'Orchid Fiesta' will be October 9th through the 11th at the Bank United Center, UM, Coral Gables.



Make your plans now to attend...
The South Florida Orchid Society fall 2015 show



ORCHID FIESTA

October 9th through 11th, 2015

SFOS Culture Book

Our very own culture book is still available for those of you who haven't already gotten your copy. Titled "An Introduction to Orchids" and edited by our very own Julie Rosenberg, this book is a treasure trove of info for the south Florida orchid grower and enthusiast.

Call (305) 256-0483 to order your copy now!





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See you next month!

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