



The Orchidist

SFOS August 17th 2016 Program

Landscaping With Terrestrial Orchids with Peter Kouchalakos

Peter Kouchalakos, along with his wife Clara, are the owners of PCK Orchids and Exotic Plants.

Peter is a law school graduate who found his true calling in growing and teaching others to successfully grow orchids and other exotic plants.

Peter Kouchalakos likes to call himself the Johnny Appleseed of orchids.

As he told a Miami Herald reporter, "I just want to spread the joy. I'm lucky to get to do what I love and get paid for it."

We should all be so lucky!



Learn how easy it is to add these orchids to your landscape. With proper care, you too can introduce fabulous ground-growing orchids that add just the right touch to your tropical garden or your pool patio.

Peter will talk about the types of garden habitats these orchids require and what you can expect in the way of performance.

This group of garden orchids includes members of the Phaius, Spathoglottis, Epidendron and Oncidium genera.

Meeting is this Wednesday, August 17th at 7:00 pm. (Presentation starts at 8:00pm) at CTK Lutheran church in Red Road and Killian Parkway.

A variety of orchids will be available for sale after the presentation.

Peter will also provide the plants for our raffle table.

We will also have a silent auction.

Upcoming Events

- **South Florida Orchid Society meeting, September 21st.— Brian Monk**
- **70th Miami International Orchid Show, Sept. 30th, October 1st. and 2nd**

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70th Miami International Orchid Show Orchid Celebration

September 30th, October 1st -2nd, 2016

10:00 am – 5:00 pm

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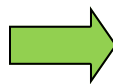


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President's Message



'Den. Farmeri Paraiso Tropical', CCM 85pts.

Hello all: Just last night we had a major thunderstorm go through parts of greater Miami. The airport had to delay flights and reroute incoming airplanes. Some areas had a 4 to 6 inch accumulation of water.

The summer rains are on. And they are doing their thing with our orchids. High temperatures and high humidity might work for jungle plants. Not so, for the vast majority of commercially cultivated orchids in most of our collections.

Fumigate with fungicides and algaecides as needed. Physan-20, SA-20, at the rate of 1 tbsp. per gallon of water will help you in this effort. Something stronger? Try fungicides as Dithane M-45, Captan, Daconyl, and Thiomyl. All diluted at the rate of 2 tsp. per gallon of water.

Now, you also have to think about fertilizing your orchids. Longer days, and hotter temperatures, mean that your plants are working longer hours. More work, more resources are depleted. So you need to feed more often. But how can you fertilize more often when it rains practically every day?

This is where your slow release fertilizer comes to your rescue. I like the Nutracote/Florikan brands of slow release fertilizers. They do not melt when temperatures go over 85o F. A tablespoon worth, directly on top of your media will do the job. How do I do this with my hanging Vandas, you ask? Simple. Raid your old pantyhose drawer, or go to your local supermarket and buy some cheese cloth, or any other meshy fabric, and make small pouches to place the fertilizer granules. I like to tie my pouches where the wires come together at the top of the hangers. But anywhere near the roots will be fine.

We had a great presentation By John Odom of Odom's Orchids this July 20th. He took us through a tour of all awarded Cattleyas for 2013. John also touched on their Annual Cattleya Symposium, held in conjunction with the University of Florida every August.

Society news: We are exploring the possibility of moving our meetings to the Hibiscus room at Pinecrest Gardens. The Pan-Am Orchid Society and the South Dade Amateur Orchid Club already hold their meetings there. Your input on this idea is most welcome.

Speaker for our August 17th meeting: Peter Kouchalakos of PCK Orchids.

Speaker for our September 21st meeting: Brian Monk of Blu Llama Orchids & Photography.

September 30th, and October 1st and 2nd is our **70th Annual Miami International Orchid Show** at the Bank United Center, University of Miami. SFOS active members come in free. All others, will pay \$10.00 at the gate. I am glad to inform you that we invited the Miami Cancer Institute of Baptist Hospital to have an information desk in our show.

Last, I ask you again to help us increase our membership. Invite your friends to our meetings. Share our information. I believe that the path to a strong orchid society is through membership.

May your blooms be plentiful, and long lasting.

Carlos

July 20th 2016 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg, Sally Taylor, Erna Maxwell

Blue Ribbons:

- *Phal. borneensis* 'Jungle Hawk' - Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker
- *C. intermedia* x *C. violacea* 'Especial' - Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker
- *Phal. bellina* ('Double trouble' x self) - Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker
- *Onc. andradeanum* - Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker
- *Epi. rousseauae* - Sandy Schultz and Georgia Tasker
- *Gram. scriptum* v. *citrinum* 'Hihimanu' - Jim and Linda Wheeler
- *V. Pohchang* - Yeni Hayes
- *Enc. plicata* 'Mary Motes' HCC/AOS - Ralph Hernandez

Red Ribbons:

- *Rhy. coelestis* ('Fuchs Indigo' AM/AOS x 'Robert' AM/AOS) - Jim and Linda Wheeler
- *V. Golden Doubloon* - Yeni Hayes
- *Rhy. coelestis* - Yeni Hayes
- *C. Hawaiian Wedding Song* 'The Virgin' HCC/AOS - Yeni Hayes
- *Bulb. carunculatum* ('M' x 'Adoribil') - Yeni Hayes
- *Blc. Mary Lynn McKenzie* - Ralph Hernandez
- *Schomb. brysiانا* v. *alba* 'Hackler' - Ralph Hernandez
- *Vanda TMA* - Ralph Hernandez

White Ribbons:

- *C. Guatemalensis* - Yeni Hayes

Thank you for showing your plants. Please have them in place no later than 7:30 PM. We look forward to more blooms in August.

Erna Maxwell, Judging Chair.



V. Pohchang - Yeni Hayes



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SFOS 2016 Holiday Party at Shorty’s BBQ

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The Party will be on our regular meeting night, the 3rd Wed,
Dec 21st at 7:00 - 9:30, dinner will be served at 7:30.

There are drinks, wine & beer available but must be
purchased separately.

Sodas, tea & coffee are included in the dinner price of \$25 per
person, both members and guests.

Dessert will be provided by the club.

Each member will receive a plant & free ticket for a raffle.

August 17th 2016 Meeting!

1 Free Raffle Ticket

South Florida Orchid Society, Inc.

One Ticket Per Member!

Members ONLY!



Expiration Date: 08/17/16

In order to maintain our non-profit status as a society we must add the following statement to the by laws:

ARTICLES

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The above change does not alter the by laws, however it is a requirement of the IRS that it be incorporated in the by laws.

The membership will be asked to approve the change at the next general meeting.

The board appreciates the review by the membership.

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Submissions from members are always appreciated. If you have an orchid growing tip that works for you, we want to know about it. You don’t need to send anything fancy. A simple text file will do. If you have photos, send them along too. We’ll take it from there. You will, of course, receive credit for your submission.

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See you next month!

Ron Hunt — Editor, The Orchidist

