

# The Orchidist



## SFOS June 20<sup>th</sup> 2012 Program

**T**onight will be special for all SFOS members and guest. In addition to our Annual Installation and Awards Meeting, we have Roy Tokunaga from Hawaii to present a program for us.

Roy Tokunaga earned a Bachelor's Degree in Education from the University of Hawaii, with a major in high school biology. He never used that teaching certificate as he was immediately recruited by Ernest Iwanaga to set up an orchid lab where he spent the next seven years primarily honing his skills at cloning and germinating orchids.

At about the same time, Harry Akagi was growing bromeliads, and in 1981, together Harry and Roy established an orchid lab in Waimanalo, giving birth to H & R Nurseries.

Roy is credited with 30-plus years of experience in hybridization with several thousand hybrids delivered. Most of his work has been in the Dendrobium and Cattleya alliances.

Roy is a long time member of the Honolulu Orchid Society and an accredited AOS judge and a long time member of South Florida Orchid Society. Roy will present a program titled "Dendrobiums: species, hybrids, and culture." This program will focus on growing for the Florida hobbyist.

**H & R Nurseries will provide the raffle table and have plants to sell.**

We will also have our Annual Awards presentation and the Installation of our 2012-2013 officers and Board of Directors. This is going to be a wonderful evening for all members and guest.

Carol

**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!**

## President's Message

Hi everyone - I'm sending you greetings from Virginia (although by the time you get to read this I will be home)!

To explain - the day after our wonderful meeting on May 16<sup>th</sup>, with Tom Kuligowski I headed north for VA for a visit with my brother Tom and his family and go to show my dog at a show here too. Didn't win much in the way of ribbons - except for my old boy Stormy getting one Select. My puppies' daddy (Raven) did get 3 Best of Breeds out of 4. So we have had a wonderful time.

Now what you (hopefully) are reading this for - Tom Kuligowski- what a great program - is there anyone who didn't learn something? I for one learned some new tricks for mounting on different woods - have not done much of that recently and I know I had forgotten many of the things you can use and do. Then the way of using different rocks, was something I had not even seen before. The Orchid Pictures that Tom showed us were interesting and beautiful to say the least.

Tom - I'm so happy (as I am sure the rest of the South Florida Orchid Society is) that you were able to reschedule your visit with us. It was well worth the wait! Thank you so much for coming.

A special thanks to St. Germaine Orchids for providing the Raffle Table Plants. Thanks to Ralph I got the one I wanted.

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## Upcoming Events!

- **June 24<sup>th</sup>, 2012—Coalition for Orchid Species Symposium at Fairchild Tropical Botanic Gardens.**
- **July 18<sup>th</sup>, 2012—SFOS Meeting with Kathy Whalen from St. Germain Orchids, "Caring For Cattleyas"**
- **August 15<sup>th</sup>, 2012—SFOS Meeting featuring Carlos Cahiz, "An Introduction to Orchid Supplies"**

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

**Orchid Vendors**

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

**Orchid Related Vendors**

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

**SOUTH FLORIDA ORCHID SOCIETY**  
*Presents*  
The 66th Miami International Orchid Show  
**Autumn Festival of Orchids**

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

<p><b><u>Orchid Show Dates</u></b> October 5, 6, &amp; 7 2012 10:00am-5:00pm Admission only \$10.00 (10 and under FREE)</p>	<p><b><u>Speaker's Day</u></b> October 7, 2012 8:00am-4:00pm Admission \$45.00 (Includes Continental Breakfast, Lunch and Sunday Show Admission)</p>
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We are very pleased to announce that the SFOS will be holding classes on various orchid topics at the upcoming 66<sup>th</sup> annual Miami International Orchid Show, "Autumn Festival of Orchids". Classes will be held on Saturday morning and afternoon, the 6<sup>th</sup> 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	Jam Adamson	Adamson't Orchids	Phalaenopsis Culture	English
1 PM	Ruben Sauleda	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

## May 2012 Judging Report

We had another great plant table this month. There were 8 Blue Ribbons awarded as well as 3 Culture Ribbons. Thanks to everyone for bringing their plants for us to enjoy.

Next month will be our annual awards ceremony. Be sure to come and see your fellow club members receive their trophies and medals. There will be no judging at this meeting. Judging will resume at our July meeting.

Bonnie Riley

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### **Congratulations to our Blue Ribbon Winners:**

**Georgia Tasker and Sandy Schultz**

**Estella LaSarte**

**Lore Wigley**

**Dave Foster**

**Betty Eber**

**Pedro Bonetti**

### **Congratulations to our Culture Ribbon Winners:**

**Georgia Tasker and Sandy Schultz**

**Lore Wigley**

**Pedro Bonetti**

Bro. sanguinea var. aquinii  
Pedro Bonetti



C. Sea Breeze "Blue Ribbon"  
Lore Wigley







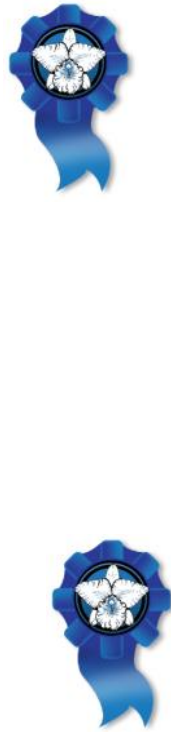
E. Nursery Rhyme—Georgia Tasker/Sandy Schultz



L. purpurata var. werckhauseri "Blue Sky"—Betty Eber



Brm. Jamaica Fire—Estella Lasarte



Brs. caudata f. alba "JEM" FCC/AOS  
Dave Foster



Den. aggregatum—Dave Foster



Paph. philippinense X Paph. Hsinying  
Georgia Tasker/Sandy Schultz



*Sunday*  
**June 24, 2012**  
*8 am to 4 pm*

## *Coalition for Orchid Species* **Symposium**

**Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden**  
In the Garden Room  
10901 Old Cutler Road  
Coral Gables, FL

### **Four Fantastic Speakers:**

**Jay Phal, Publisher of The Internet Orchid Species Photo Encyclopedia, -**

Orchid Diversity Within 20 Acres in Columbia

**Bill Thoms, Renowned Orchid Grower, AOS Judge -**

Bulbophyllums: Big, Beautiful, and Bizarre

**Frank Smith, Krull-Smith Orchids, AOS Judge -**

The Improvement of the Phalaenopsis Species

**Ivan Portillo, Ecuagenara Orchids, Ecuador -**

Orchids from Ecuador

#### *Tickets:*

\$45.00 for COS members

\$50.00 for non-COS members

Price includes lectures, raffles,  
continental breakfast,  
and buffet lunch.

Orchid sales will be available during the day.

Contact Erna Maxwell at 305-382-3055 or [emaxwell6635@bellsouth.net](mailto:emaxwell6635@bellsouth.net) to reserve your space now!

**Saturday, June 23<sup>rd</sup>, the American Orchid Society's West Palm Beach Judging Center is having its monthly AOS Orchid Judging at Flamingo Gardens in Davie, Florida.**

We judge every 4<sup>th</sup> Saturday of the month, except for November and December. You can go to our web site <http://www.wpbjudging.org> to get details.

The schedule is:

2:30 - 2:00 p.m. Training & Slide Review

2:00 - 2:30 p.m. Nominations

2:30 p.m. Judging

Everyone is welcome to attend as an observer and you are invited to bring your plants for orchid judging. You do not have to be an AOS member to participate or to have your plants judged. If you are bringing a large plant, feel free to call me to get easier access to the judging room.

Carol Holdren

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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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**2<sup>nd</sup> Vice President—Carol De Biase**

**Secretary—Julie Rosenberg**

**Treasurer—Dorothy Bennett**

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Ralph Hernandez, Angelica Ruggeri, Gale Tilman

Board members—Term ending 2014  
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## Items of Interest

*(President's Message Continued from page 1)*

Our next meeting is a very important one. Several things are happening! For one we will be Installing the new Officers (did I really say new?) - That is right - you are stuck with me for another year. Then we will be presenting the yearly awards - have you entered enough plants for judging and received enough ribbons and points to get one - I guess you will have to come and see. Then there is the best part our Speaker is coming from Hawaii - Roy Tokunaga from H and R Nurseries - I know many of you already know Roy and will want to come and see him - I'm looking forward to this meeting - I hope you are too!

I know it is getting to be summer time and all of us will be having other places to go and things to do - but don't

forget we will be having meeting in July, August and September. I know Carol has been working on speakers and has a great summer lined up for us.

The refreshments have been just great and Angelica is looking for a helper - someone that would be willing to help at the meetings and also take over if she cannot be there - if you are that person - please see her at the meeting.

Don't forget there is no judging at the June meeting. Judging will resume in July.

See you all on June 20<sup>th</sup> .

Sally

## SFOS Membership Roster

We are in the process of preparing the annual SFOS membership roster. Please let the SFOS office know if you have any changes in your address, phone number or email address. You can call us at **305-255-3656** or email your changes to ([sforchid@bellsouth.net](mailto:sforchid@bellsouth.net)). Also, if you have a

business that you would like to advertise to your fellow SFOS members, please consider placing an ad in the roster. It is a very inexpensive way to advertise your business and at the same time supporting SFOS.

## 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. 21<sup>st</sup> 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 ...

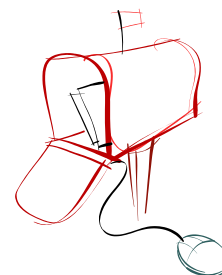
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See you next month!

Ron Hunt—Editor, *The Orchidist*





# 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

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