

The Orchidist



SFOS Program

Our August speaker will be Guillermo Salazar. The program Guillermo will present is titled Orchids of El Salvador “A country of Hidden treasures”.

Guillermo grew up as a child of a nursery owner father and an interior and floral designer mother which enabled him to develop his natural creative and professional talents even before attending college. At Florida A&M University he followed his dream of becoming a professional landscape designer, receiving his degree in Landscape Design & Management. Guillermo received a Master’s in Science in Environmental Horticulture from the University of Florida. As a 9 year old living in El Salvador, Guillermo decided that orchids were the most attractive plants in this tropical environment and he started collecting them. He became the youngest member of the Asociacion de Orquideologia de El Salvador. During his college years in Florida, he learned the importance of protecting natural resources especially orchids here in Florida. A Florida Master Gardener, Guillermo has worked for several years as a professional Landscape Designer in private, municipal and governmental capacities in the South Florida area. Guillermo currently works as faculty for University of Florida & Miami Dade County Extension I.F.A.S. and he is an Adjunct faculty professor for the Landscape Technology Department for Miami Dade College. His work entails teaching people how to use Florida friendly principles, as well as appropriate plants and orchids to design successful and environmentally conscious gardens. He has published articles on home gardening, design and orchid articles for several South Florida design magazines. His specialty in orchids is Angraecoids, Bulbophyllums, rare and miniature tropical species.

Guillermo is also going to provide the plant raffle table. We hope you will join us for this wonderful program. Remember to bring your friends, as guests are always welcome.

Javier Morejon, Program Chairman.



President’s Message

Hello all,

Time flies when you are having fun! This is our August issue of ‘The Orchidist’ newsletter. We are in the middle of summer. All orchid growers in South Florida are having to deal with excessive rain, heat, and humidity. Now is the time to use your fungicides and greenhouse disinfectants. Repotting should be in your rear view mirror by now. But there are always things to do in our growing areas. A growing tip I picked recently, is to add Dolomite as a top dressing on your growing media to all of your orchids exposed to rainwater. The way it was explained to me, excessive rainwater acidifies the media too much. Dolomite will restore a healthy pH level in your growing media and bring much needed calcium to your orchid plants.

One more issue of your newsletter, and we will be looking straight into our 67th International Orchid Show ‘Falling In Love with Orchids.’ This show promises to be a better event, thanks to your Show Chairman, Dan Christensen’s efforts. Of course. I cannot forget to remind you of your SFOS Speakers Day 2013. There is more information about the orchid show and Speakers Day in this issue. Please note that because of scheduling conflict, we are having Speakers Day on Saturday October 12th, not Sunday.

My thanks to our July meeting program presenter, and newest SFOS member, Mirta

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Upcoming Events!

- **September 18th, 2013 — Grower’s Secrets! Learn tricks from the SFOS’s most successful growers!**
- **October 11, 12 & 13, 2013 — SFOS 67th Miami International Orchid Show at the Bank United Center at the University of Miami.**
- **October 16th, 2013 — Linda Curle “Orchid Trekking in Northern Thailand.”**



South Florida Orchid Society
Presents
The 67th Miami International Orchid Show



Falling In Love With Orchids

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Speakers' Day

October 12, 2013

9:00 am – 5:00 pm

Admission \$45.00

Tickets sold in advance only.

*Admission includes morning coffee & tea, lunch
and Saturday admission to the Show*

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Dates

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Orchid Growing Demonstrations for Beginners
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Educational Classes to be held at the SFOS Show.

Once again this year free classes on various topics will be held at the SFOS fall orchid show, "Falling In Love With Orchids." These classes are always popular and are sure to fill up quickly.

Classes will be on Friday, October 11, 2013 from 1:00 - 3:00.

- 1 PM—Mac Rivenbark from Mack Orchids will speak on General culture & vandaceous.
- 2 PM—Jim Adamson from Adamson's Orchids will speak on Phalaenopsis Culture.
- 3 PM—Axel Cahiz from Amazonia Orchids will speak on Cattleya culture. (Spanish/English)



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July 2013 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg, Sally Taylor, Javier Morejon and Erna Maxwell

Blue Ribbons:

Blc. Laura Bush 'Carmela' — Gene Stevens
Epi. Orchid Jungle — David Foster
Mtssa. Shelob 'Tolkien' — Pedro Bonetti

Culture Ribbons:

Mtssa. Shelob 'Tolkien' — Pedro Bonetti

Thank you for bringing in your plants. We look forward to your flowers next month.

Erna Maxwell, Judging Chair.

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**Please join us at our new
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Russis Heineman. Her presentation was most entertaining and informative. Who knew that Epidendrums and Cattleyas are so closely related? I would like to thank Dan and Margie of Dan & Margie Orchids for their generous contribution of blooming orchids to your raffle table. Also, thanks are due to your raffle table M/C, Ralph Hernandez, your hostess Christa Collins, your judging chairlady, Erna Maxwell with help from Javier Morejon and Julie Rosenberg, and your orchid paparazzi, Ron Hunt. Thanks all for a fantastic job.

I asked the society members present if everybody would be fine repeating the holiday dinner at the Olive Garden restaurant. All were thumbs up! So, we are having our holiday get together there this coming December.

I conclude wishing you all good health and good growing.

Carlos

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- **FESTIVE HOLIDAY PARTY!**
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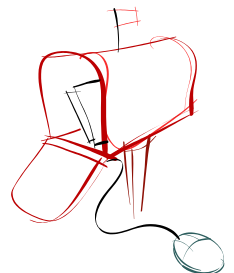
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See you next month!

Ron Hunt—Editor, *The Orchidist*



SFOS SPEAKERS DAY 2013

SFOS will host its annual Speakers Day Event on Saturday, October 12, 2013 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. This year's speakers are:

Dr. Ruben Sauleda – will present a program titled “Orchid Adventures in Colombia.” Columbia has over 5,000 species of orchids and this presentation will take you on a trip through Columbia to visit various orchid nurseries and sites where these orchids grow. Dr. Sauleda has a Ph.D. in orchid taxonomy. He has written several books on orchid culture and published over a hundred articles in scientific journals. His specialty is flasking and he is presently the leader in reproducing Encyclia, Cattleya, Schomburgia and Tolumnia species and hybrids.

Dr. Clair Ossian – will present a program titled “How to Judge Dendrobiums: Using their Heritage and Impact on Today's Hybrids.” The core of the presentation will consider species that have been the major contributors to modern hybrids and points to consider when judging Dendrobium flowers. Dr. Ossian is a Life Member and Accredited Senior Judge in the AOS. He has published forty-one papers on orchids. The core of his research has focused on the genus Dendrobium.

Tom Kuligowski - will present a program titled "Angraecums." Tom is an avid orchid grower who specializes in Angraecums. His presentation will provide both the hobbyists and serious growers with fundamental guidelines to grow these beautiful plants successfully and in turn, grace you with years of enjoyment. Tom is also an award-winning photographer and most of the photos in his presentation are plants from his collections.

Marc Hachadourian - will present a program titled “Growing Great Slipper Orchids: A Taxonomic Approach to Paphiopedilum Culture.” His talk will present information about culture in the genus, growing specimen plants, and how to judge them. Marc Hachadourian is Manager of the Nolen Greenhouses for Living Collections and Curator of the Orchid Collection at The New York Botanical Garden. As an AOS Judge and Horticultural Educator he has lectured in the U.S. and abroad and is part of the faculty of The New York Botanical Garden School of Professional Horticulture.

Dr. Wes Higgins – will present a program titled “Phalaenopsis: Judgment Day.” His program will examine the history of how changing standards are reflected in awards, the market place, and hybrid breeding. Wes has worked at Missouri Botanical Gardens, Royal Botanic Gardens Kew, Marie Selby Botanical Garden, and Lakes Park Botanic Garden. Wesley is an accredited AOS judge, approved AOS taxonomic authority, and serves on the AOS Publications Committee where he edits the monthly column Nomenclatural Notes.

Tickets for Speakers Day are \$45.00 per person. The price includes morning coffee and tea, lunch, and admission to the SFOS Orchid Show on Saturday. 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.

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