



# The Orchidist

The South Florida Orchid Society's Monthly Newsletter

## SFOS January 20th 2016 Program

**Y**vette Cano began her affinity with Everglades National Park as a young student; today she is the Education Specialist for the park's environmental education program and supervises the very program that she was a part of as a student. Following her true passion, Yvette started her career as an elementary school teacher and after 13 years in the classroom she had the opportunity to take the teaching outdoors, a dream come true!

Born and raised in South Florida, Yvette has a very special place in her heart for everything Florida, especially the outdoors. Today, she will showcase that passion as she shares the value of Everglades National Park, its priceless biological diversity, and the importance it all serves to the people of South Florida.



**Carmella Orchids will be providing  
our raffle table this month**

## President's Message

The Board of Directors and I would like to wish all members of South Florida Orchid Society a Happy, Healthy and prosperous New Year.



We had a great Holiday Party at Carraba's Italian Grill. Thanks go to for Carlos for the great job he did arranging the event. There were nearly 40 attendees, who enjoyed a delicious meal and many won many beautiful plants during the free raffle.

We want to thank the many attendees that brought food and toys for the less fortunate in our community, several families were able to eat a little better thanks to the donations. There were even a few toys donated that I'm sure helped make an unforgettable Christmas for some children. Good job SFOS!!!

Please do not forget to put a plant or two aside in the next few weeks during your repotting for the SFOS auction in February. I've been busy having to divide plants since the weather is so hot, the plants are growing like weeds.

The dates are locked in for our 70th Orchid Show, 'Orchid Celebration', Sept.30th-Oct.2, 2016, which I believe will be the first orchid show of the fall season.

Hope to see all your smiling faces at the

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## Upcoming Events

**South Florida Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Auction!**  
**February 17th, 2016 at 8:00 P.M.**



## Holiday Party Photos!







The South Florida Orchid Society  
Presents Our Annual Orchid Auction  
Wednesday, February 17, 2016

We Have Bargains Galore On Orchids

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Christ The King Lutheran Church

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January 20th meeting. Let's make this 2016 season our best year ever. The Board of Directors encourages you to let us know how we're doing and if you have any particular subjects you want to hear about, we are always looking for great speakers.

Once again, Happy New Year!

Dan Christensen—President

### Membership Dues!

It's once again time for all our members to send in their dues for the coming year. Please do so as soon as possible.



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See you next month!

Ron Hunt — Editor, The Orchidist

