



The Orchidist

SFOS September 19th 2018 Program

Meet Martin Motes

Author of *Vandas: Their Botany, History, and Culture*, *Florida Orchid Growing: Month by Month*, *Florida Vanda Growing*. Martin Motes is a second generation orchidist who has been growing orchids for 60 years. He is president of Motes Orchids, a major producer of vandas. He has bred hundreds of new hybrids, for which he has received scores of American Orchid Society awards including three FCC's and three Awards of Quality. His hybrids received Gold, Silver and Bronze medals at the 18th World Orchid conference in Dijon, March 2005. One hybrid garnered the trophy as "Best Vanda in Show". Other hybrids have won medals in previous WOCs as well as at the European Orchid Conference. Additionally numerous of his hybrids have been recognized by the Royal Horticultural Society and in other international judging venues. He is an accredited American Orchid Society judge. Martin's frequent articles have appeared in *The Fairchild Garden Bulletin*, *The South Florida Orchidist*, *The Orchid Digest*, *The Orchid Review*, *The Malayan Orchid Review* and *Orchids*.

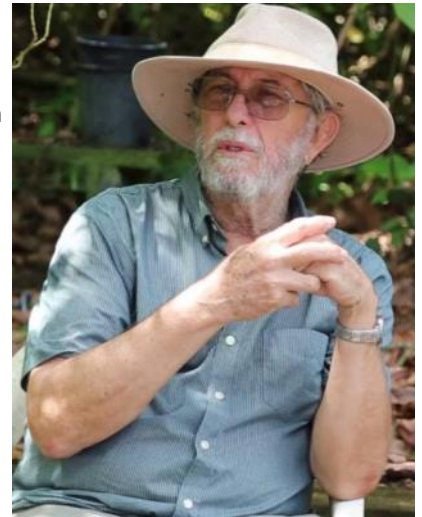


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Martin was an assistant professor of English at Wright State University for several years and has taught at the University of Miami and Miami-Dade Community College. He spent nine years as the director of horticulture therapy at Grant Center Hospital and was a consultant on horticulture therapy for the Hospital Corporation of America. A native Floridian, Martin has lived most of his life in Miami, Florida, but also spent 6 years in Ohio and 2 years in Yugoslavia as a Senior Fulbright lecturer at the University of Kosova. He has traveled extensively in the Mediterranean and has observed wild orchids in Ambon, Australia, the Bahamas, Belize, Bolivia, Brazil, Britain, the Cayman Islands, Costa Rica, Ecuador, Florida, Guatemala, India, Ireland, Jamaica, Java, Malaya, Mexico, Nepal, Panama, Peru, Puerto Rico, Thailand, Venezuela, the Virgin Islands and Yugoslavia. Martin has been interviewed by both print and TV journalists on topics ranging from community issues in southern Florida to horticultural therapy and orchids. He is an appointed member of the Miami-Dade Agricultural Advisory Board. Martin has twice taught Vanda Production and other topics at the University of Florida Orchid Short Course in Gainesville. He has worked as a consultant in various capacities to the extensive orchid industry in South Florida. He teaches classes at Fairchild Tropical Gardens which in addition to Orchids include Growing Asiatic Vegetables, and Great Tasting Tomatoes for South Florida. As many as 20 lectures a year fills Martin's busy schedule. In the past this has included national orchid conferences in the US, Britain and Australia. He was a featured speaker at the World Orchid Conferences in Rio, Dijon, Kuala Lumpur, where he chaired the Hybridizer's Forum and was a panel member at the Commercial Grower's Forum and in Singapore. He publishes a monthly news letter: "This Month in Your Orchid Collection" geared to the special needs of orchid growers in South Florida and other tropical regions. He initiated the Redland and Tamiami International Orchid Festivals, South Florida's two largest Orchid events To get away from the orchid greenhouse, Martin reads and occasionally, writes poetry, tends his vegetable garden, and fishes.

Upcoming Events

- **September 29th—30th, 2018 — 72nd Miami International Orchid Show, "Orchid Holiday"**
- **October 17th, 2018—Thanh Nguyen of Springwater Orchids**

President's Message

Hello Everyone,

I'm on my way home from another Dog Show in North Carolina. We have had a good 5 days of Showing. Now it is time to get back to the real world.

I understand the Dan Christensen had his hands full at the last meeting. But I know that Dan is just the person who can handle it - and he did! Thank you Dan for all that you had to do in my absence. Unless something drastic happens, I am planning to make the meeting on September 19th.

By the time we all get to the meeting on the 19th - you all should have picked out your best plants and begun grooming them for the Orchid Show - by then it will only be a week away! Have you signed up to help at the Hospitality Table? Are you going to help someone put in their exhibit or are you doing one yourself? Or are you going to enter a plant on your own. You can always ask Dan if there is something you can help with. Remember you need a picture ID and your SFOS Membership Card to get into the Orchid Show.

I really wanted to be home for the last meeting - Jose Esposito of Soroa Orchids - is someone that I have known for more years than Jose or I care to admit. I'm sure that all of you had a great time at the meeting with Jose. Thank You Jose for sharing with the South Florida Orchid Society.

This month our speaker is Martin Motes of Motes Orchids. I'm sure that most of you know Martin and many of you may have even visited his Orchid Nursery. Please come out and enjoy the evening with us.

Bring your plants for judging, your food for sharing on the Refreshment Table and your visitor (so you and the visitor can both get a plant).

Well I guess that is about all I can say for now - see you on Wednesday, September 19th.

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August 15th 2018 Judging Report

Judges: Julie Rosenberg and Erna Maxwell

Blue Ribbons:

- Vanda Violetta - Steve Rodriguez
- Vanda Motes Goldpiece '24 Ct.' AM/AOS - Jorge Merlo
- Vanda Prapanth Gold - David Foster

Thank you for showing your plants. Next month we want to see much more. Remember, you receive a raffle ticket when you bring in plants for judging.

Erna Maxwell. Judging Chair



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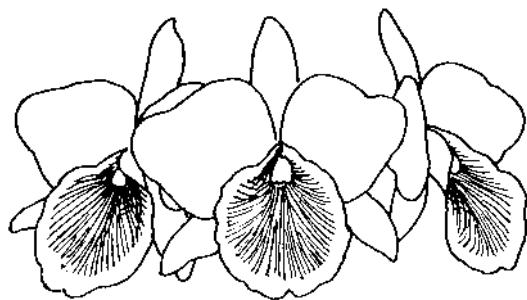
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Anyone who volunteers will be treated to free lunch courtesy of the SFOS as well as coffee and donuts or bagels on both days.

September 19th 2018
Meeting!

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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.

Please send your submission to ...

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See you next month!

Ron Hunt — Editor, The Orchidist

