



Diablo View Orchid Society Newsletter

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November 2001

Program: **“The Genus Laelia of Brazil”** **Francisco Miranda**

Meeting Date, Time and Location

When: Thursday, Nov. 8, 2001

Meeting Starts at 7:30 PM

7:00 PM Culture Session - Bob Hamilton “Deflasking and Planting Seedlings”

**Where: Contra Costa Water Dept. Auditorium
1331 Concord Ave., Concord**

Upcoming Events:

November

- 8 General meeting
Speaker: Francisco Miranda
- 15 Board meeting @ Barbara Tague's

December, 2001

- 13 DVOS Holiday Party

Francisco Miranda "The Genus Laelia of Brazil"

Francisco Miranda was born in Rio de Janeiro on February 6, 1956. He has been growing orchids since 1979. The same year he received his degree in biology and he began his taxonomic studies of the orchid family in 1981. During that year, he lived in the city of Manaus, state of Amazonas, in the middle of the Amazon region. During 1982 he returned to Rio de Janeiro. He began field trips to Minas Gerais and Espírito Santo, mainly to try to find rupicolous Laelia species in their natural habitat. Between mid 1985 and 1993 Francisco went back to Manaus, where he studied for his Master's degree. He also made extensive field trips to Rondonia and the area of the future dam of Tucuruí, in the state of Pará. From the hundreds of herbarium specimens prepared, many new species were described in subsequent years, mostly in the genus *Catasetum* and *Mormodes*.

His thesis for his Masters Degree was "section *Cattleyodes* of the genus *Laelia*". He continued to make frequent field trips to the habitats of the Brazilian laelias. The many years of orchid hunting have resulted in many new species described, several scientific papers in magazines in Brazil, the U.S., and Germany, and two books. The first book was published in Japan. He wrote one third of the book on orchids from the eastern coast of Brazil plus the central region and mountains of Minas Gerais and Bahia states. The second book was completed in 1996 on orchids of the Brazilian Amazon region. These two books are not taxonomic treatments, but instead illustrated guides on very interesting Brazilian areas.

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**ARTICLE DEADLINE FOR
DEC. NEWSLETTER
IS WEDNESDAY, NOV. 28**

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David Tomassini

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AOS Judging Results

AOS Awards
Pacific Central Supplemental Center
San Francisco, CA
10/2/01

Stanhopea graveolens 'Sang Chun'
species
AM 81
Exhibitor: Anna S. Chai

Phragmipedium Grande 'Belmont'
Phrag. caudatum x Phrag. longifolium
HCC 75
Exhibitor: Terry Jarvi (His 1st AOS award)

Paph. spicerianum 'Chico's Birthday'
species
HCC 78
Exhibitor: Francisco Baptista

Den. victoriae-reginae 'Royal Blue'
species
AM 82
Exhibitor: Golden Gate Orchids

Den. sulawesiense 'Stony Point'
species
AM 82
Exhibitor: Marni Turkel

AOS Awards
Oakland, CA
10/15/01

Epidendrum sophronites 'Mario'
HCC 78 (prov)
species
Dr. Gerardus B. Staal, Peninsula Orchids

- Kathy Barrett

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Since 1988, the author has been traveling at least once a year to the United States. His main purpose is to give lectures to orchid societies on various subjects on Brazilian orchids. Since 1986 he opened an orchid nursery in Rio de Janeiro, Orquidário Boa Vista, specializing in producing superior cultivars of Brazilian orchid species. Presently, he is the proprietor of Boa Vista Orchids, in new Haines City, Florida where high-quality species in the Cattleya alliance are being produced, continuing the tradition of the Orquidário Boa Vista nursery in Brazil.

RAFFLE TABLE will be provided by Francisco Miranda who is known to have one of the best collections of Brazilian orchids in the world. He will also bring select plants for sale.

PRE-PROGRAM

Renown Bay Area orchidist Bob Hamilton will demonstrate how to deflask and plant seedlings.

Do not miss this exciting meeting!

- Pauline Brault

Refreshment Corner

Our refreshment table for October was enjoyed by all, thank you. A reminder for those who signed up for November: **Betty Michaelson, Esther Yee, Mary-Ann Gschwend, Renate Johnson, Bernice Lindner, Dill Chambers, Mike and Karen Cornville and Naomi Chamberlain. Juan Bofill and Mark Rotter** for drinks. Your support and kindness that you displayed throughout the year has made my job a delight, thank you.

Brenda Aday

DVOS Officer Slate - 2002

The following is the proposed slate of officers for 2002.

PRESIDENT - **David Tomassini**

VICE PRESIDENT - **Charlotte Leong**

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TREASURER - **Barbara Tague, Kathy Barrett**

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CULTURE SESSIONS - **Open**

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REFRESHMENTS - **Linda Castleton, Tonky Bofill**

SUMMER BBQ - **Kathy Barrett, Sue Fordyce**

WEBMASTER - **Nick Doe**

WELCOME HOSTESS - **Madge Fordyce**

BOARD MEMBERS - **Juan Bofill, Mark Rotter, Clarence Parkinson, Linda Daraskavich, Kathy Barrett**

Library News

Here is a list of new books that will be available at the next meeting:

ORCHIDS AND THEIR CONSERVATION
by Harold Koopowitz

THE ORCHIDS OF THE PHILIPPINES
by Jim Cootes

BULBOPHYLLUMS AND THEIR ALLIES
by Emly Siegerist

THE GARDENERS GUIDE TO GROWING ORCHIDS
by Wilma and Brian Rittershausen

PHALAENOPSIS
a monograph by Eric Christenson

MANUAL OF ORCHIDS
by Joyce Stewart

A current catalog from Timber Press will be available next meeting. Some members have indicated an interest in doing a group order for a significant price savings. We need at least a five-book order to qualify. You can preview listing at www.timberpress.com.

Also, can anyone provide a three-shelf book case to hold our newer books? I need to keep these inside a small bedroom. Thanks.

**ANNUAL OPEN HOUSE
THE PAPH HOUSE “ORCHIDS”**

**SATURDAY DECEMBER 8th AND SUNDAY DECEMBER 9th
9 A.M. TO 4 P.M.**

⌘ THE PAPH HOUSE NEEDS SPACE ⌘

**THERE WILL BE A COLLECTION OF QUALITY OUT OF BLOOM
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**OUT OF BLOOM CYMBIDIUMS AND BACK BULBS MOST ARE
AWARDED**

**MULTI-FLOWERING PAPHIOPEDILUM SEEDLING, SPECIES,
AND OTHERS**

A LOT OF ORCHIDS IN BLOOM WILL BE FOR SALE

**WHITE BELLADONA ‘NAKED LADIES’ BULBS
PICTURE CAN BE PROVIDED BY E-MAIL**

YELLOW AND ORANGE CLIVIAS WILL BE AVAILABLE

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The Orchid Ranch;
Fordyce Orchids - Cattleyas 925-447-1659
Orchids Orinda - Phalaenopsis
Tonkins Orchids - Paphiodeilums

Oakland

Orchids Fiori D'Amore
Paolo & Nina DiCandia
510-530-4884 (by appt. only)

Hawaii

Yamada's Orchid Nursery
Allen Yamada
5087-A Kawaihau Rd.
Kapaa, HI 96746

Yuba City

Orchid Obsession
Brent & Toni Cushenbery
1477 Oswald Rd., Yuba City, CA 95993
916-673-6763

Walnut Creek

Orchid Gallery
Jing Ho
1501 N. California Blvd.

Martinez

MGM Orchids
Mariano G Morales
718 Main Street
Martinez, CA. 94553

San Leandro

The Paph House
Francisco Baptista & Fred Jernigan
375 Warwick Avenue, San Leandro, CA
510/ 635-2845, (by appt. only)

Concord

San Miguel Greenhouses
Pamela Leaver
936 San Miguel Rd.
925-798-0476 (by appt. only)

Concord

Nathalie Smith
1507 Lavetta Way; 925-685-8904
(by appt. only); orchid supplies

Danville

Commercial Plant Services
David & Alice Tomassini
3 Woodside Ct.; 925-736-7630

Half Moon Bay

D & D Flowers
Dennis Olivas; 62 Oceanside Dr.
650-994-7465 (call in advance)

Australia

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