

DECEMBER 2014

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AT OUR NEXT MEETING:

Our Annual Holiday Party will be at Park Shadelands on Wednesday Dec. 10th (See p. 3 - 5)

BOARD MEETING:

Dec. 19th at 7:00 pm
at the home of Jamie and Liz

SLATE OF OFFICERS FOR DVOS 2015

This is the proposed list, Nominations will also be taken from the floor before the election at the Christmas party.

PRESIDENT: SUNG LEE
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Marcia Hart
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Judith Johnston
Jim Wert



Erycina glossomystax



It's time for our annual Holiday Potluck party!

Your "ticket" for entrance is a two-part affair!

First, you need to bring a side dish, salad or dessert, enough for 8, according to the alphabetized schedule on Page 5.

Second, bring a gift orchid or orchid related item (something that you'd like to receive yourself) for the Annual Gift Exchange.

Make sure any plants are bug free.

*The Christmas Potluck begins at 6:30 PM
(Set-up 6:00) at the Shadelands Arts Center
111 N. Wiget at Ygnacio Valley Road, Walnut Creek.
(directions on P. 6-7)*





It's Time to pay your 2015 Dues!

Your dues, along with raffle tickets and member sales, pay the cost of being a club: speakers' fees, plant raffle tables and special events including the Christmas Party and the Summer BBQ. 2015 dues are a very reasonable \$30 for general members and couples, \$40 for commercial members and anyone who needs to have the newsletter delivered by mail.

There will be a special drawing for all PAID members at the Christmas Party. Mail in your form or pay your dues at the party. We now accept credit cards in addition to checks, cash and gold. The plant is being donated by (the ever generous) *Yunor Peralta*.



DVOS Holiday Party

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Food assignments:

A-H Dessert

I-O Salad

P-Z Hot Dish



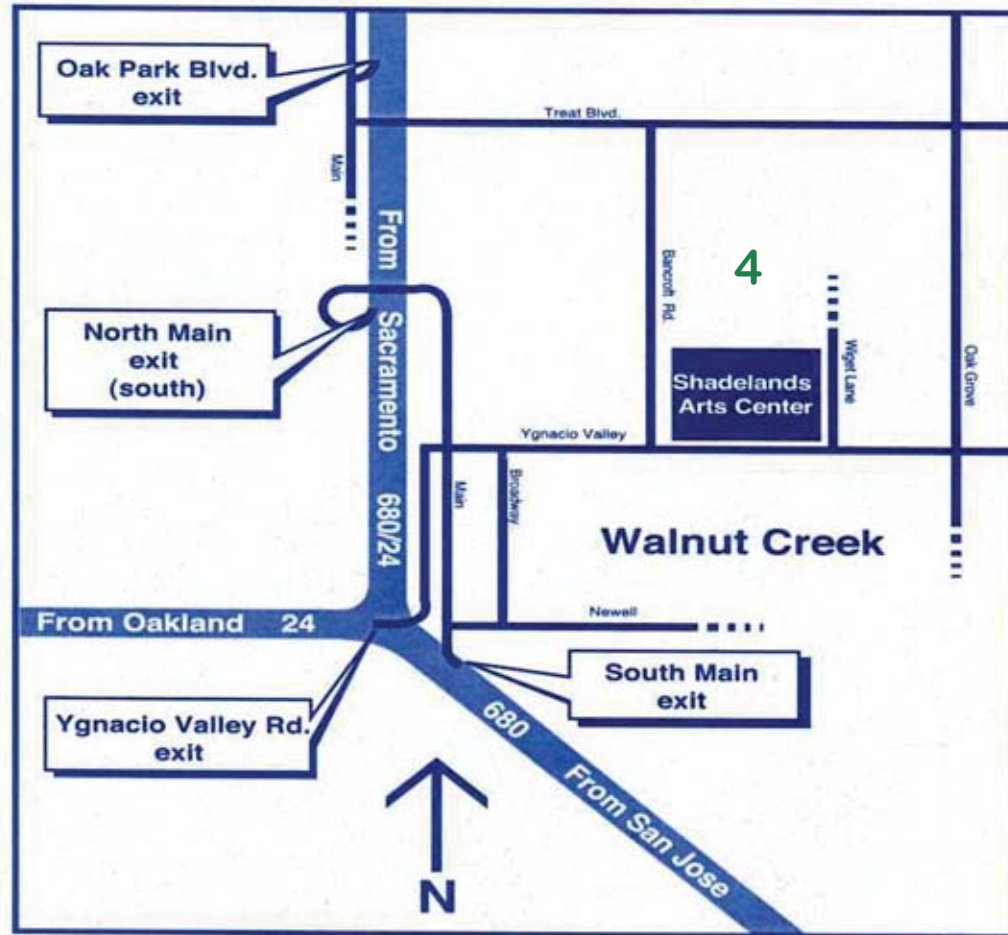
Special Raffle

Pay your dues on or before the Christmas Party and you will be eligible for a special raffle prize!

Set-up 6:00 - Dinner 6:30

SHADELANDS CHRISTMAS PARTY Arts Center

111 North
Wiget Lane
at Ygnacio
Valley Rd.
Walnut
Creek



Directions to SHADELANDS Arts Center

111 North Wiget Lane at Ygnacio Valley Rd.

FROM OAKLAND, BERKELEY

Highway 24 east exiting left onto Highway 680 north. Take the Ygnacio Valley Rd. exit and go 1.1 mi to the light. Turn right on Ygnacio Valley Rd. and go 2.9 mi. Turn left on North Wiget Ln. and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.

FROM SACRAMENTO, CONCORD, PLEASANT HILL

Highway 680 south to Exit 48 Treat Blvd/Geary Rd. Take exit and continue 0.3 mi. to the light. Turn left on N. Main and go 0.2 mi. to Geary Rd and turn left. Go for 1.1 mi. on Geary Rd/ Treat Blvd to Bancroft Rd and turn right. Go 0.7 mi. to Ygnacio Valley Rd and turn left. Go 0.7 miles to North Wiget Ln. Turn left on North Wiget and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.

FROM SAN JOSE, DANVILLE, ALAMO

Highway 680 north to South Main St. off ramp. Stay on South Main 0.5 mi. to Newell. Turn right on Newell and go 0.2 mi. to stop light. Turn left on Broadway and go 0.7 mi. to Civic Dr. Turn right on Civic and go 0.3 mi. Turn right on Ygnacio Valley Rd. and go 2.5 mi. Turn left on North Wiget Ln. and go 0.1 mi. The Shadelands Arts Center parking lot is on the left.



AT OUR NOVEMBER MEETING

By Brad and Karen Piini

November is the time of the year that we look back, reflect and give thanks for all that we enjoy in this life. For Carol Klonowski that includes orchids, which give her and the rest of us great joy. Carol selected one of her favorite type of orchids, Dendrobiums, to talk about with her fellow D.V.O.S. members during our fall meeting.

In the orchid kingdom, Dendrobiums are the second largest orchid genus behind Bulbophyllums. They are comprised of over 1200 species and are widely grown commercially for cut flowers and potted plants. To know how to grow them, you need to know where they originate and their native climates. Dendrobiums come from the equatorial areas of the world. They typically receive 10 to 12 hours of bright sunlight per day, year round. All dendrobiums like the bright light, but do not like direct sunlight or they will burn. All dendrobiums have fine roots and therefore need only small pots with well-draining media to thrive.

There are two kinds of dendrobiums; evergreen and deciduous. The evergreen types don't lose their leaves in the fall and winter. They require water even in the winter months. Some evergreen types do require a slight rest from your regular watering schedule, but not much of a rest. These evergreen types come from the areas of the world where they receive rainfall year round.

The second type of dendrobium is deciduous. These require a definite dry rest in the winter and go into a state of dormancy. During the winter they will drop their leaves and need no food or water for months. When they emerge in the spring from this dormancy, they immediately start the blooming cycle.



Carol then went into greater detail breaking down the evergreen Dendrobiums into four different types. These are Antelope, Latouria, Pedilonium and the Australian. At this point I need to summarize and boil down this information into some general and specific cultural points. In general, even evergreen Dendrobiums need less water in the winter time. This constitutes somewhat of a cool rest. If you stop watering evergreens altogether, the leaves will drop on these Dendrobiums. You don't need to fertilize these orchids in the winter time, only when the new roots and new growth start showing in the springtime. One specific note: *Dendrobium kingianum*, which is an evergreen, also needs a much reduced water schedule in the winter time. If you do water it normally, it won't die, but will make keiki's (small plantlets) instead of flowers.



The cultural needs of the deciduous Dendrobium are minimal. In the winter time, these orchids will look dead and lose their leaves. These orchids require a dry cool winter rest or else they will never bloom for you. This means that they need no water or food in the winter. Winter starts the day after Thanksgiving. You still need to provide them with bright light, good air movement and high humidity during their dormancy.

Thank you Carol for the wonderful and detailed discussion about Dendrobium orchids.

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

Dec 10: Annual DVOS **Holiday Party**
at Shadelands Center in Walnut
Creek (Directions on P.8)

Dec. 18: DVOS board meeting at the
home of Liz Charlton & Jamie
Wasson. This meeting is a
chance for 2014 and 2015
Board members to get together.

Jan 15: DVOS meeting - Jacob Brecht
on small greenhouses &
vivariums
Meeting is at our new location.

REFRESHMENTS FOR THE
JANUARY MEETING WILL BE
PROVIDED BY THE BOARD



Rlc. King of Taiwan



Tolu. Genting Pretty-n-Pink

59th Paphiopedilum Guild
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Complete agenda and hotel information at

www.orchiddigest.com/paph-guild.html



Awards DVOS November

Novice

- 1st *Aliceara Eurostar* Irene Desmond
- 2nd *C. Memoria Diana Slater* David Trebofich
- 3rd *Stenoglottis longifolia* Jackie Krstulovich

Intermediate

- 1st *Rlc. King of Taiwan* Renate Johnson
- 2nd *Liparis sp.* Eileen Jackson
- 3rd *Tolu. Genting Pretty n Pink* Miki Ichiyanagi

Advanced

- 1st *Lc. Puppy Love* Tom Pickford
- 2nd *Cyrtochilum serratum* Yunor Peralta
- 3rd *V. sanderiana* Mark Dillard

Lancer Smith (species/under 6")

Erycina glossomystax Yunor Peralta

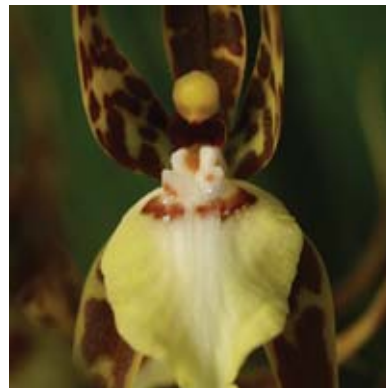
California Sierra Nevada
Judging Center Awards for
May can be viewed at:
<http://www.csnjc.org>



Congratulations to Eileen Jackson who had two plants awarded at the AOS judging at Napa Valley Orchid Society in November. Both plants received provisional CBR recognition.



Liparis sp.



Ada sp.





THE THRILL OF DISCOVERY
SAN FRANCISCO ORCHID SOCIETY'S 63RD ANNUAL
PACIFIC ORCHID EXPOSITION

GALA BENEFIT PREVIEW
THURSDAY, FEBRUARY 19
6:30 - 10:00 PM

SHOW & PLANT SALE
FRIDAY, SATURDAY & SUNDAY
FEBRUARY 20 - 22, 2015

FORT MASON CENTER, SAN FRANCISCO
For Tickets & Information please visit:
www.orchidsanfrancisco.org
Additional information, 650-348-6700

A California Foundation for Event 201428 Corporation
Phragmipedium foveolatum watercolor by Sally Robertson

Greg Scown has secured a group discount (10%) at the **Hotel del Sol** near Fort Mason for the night of Thursday, February 19 and contiguous dates.

The direct link to make a booking with the discount is:

<http://bit.ly/1Gq0btu>

The discount code is: **DVOS15**

Parking is not included. It's \$10 per day with full in-and-out privileges.

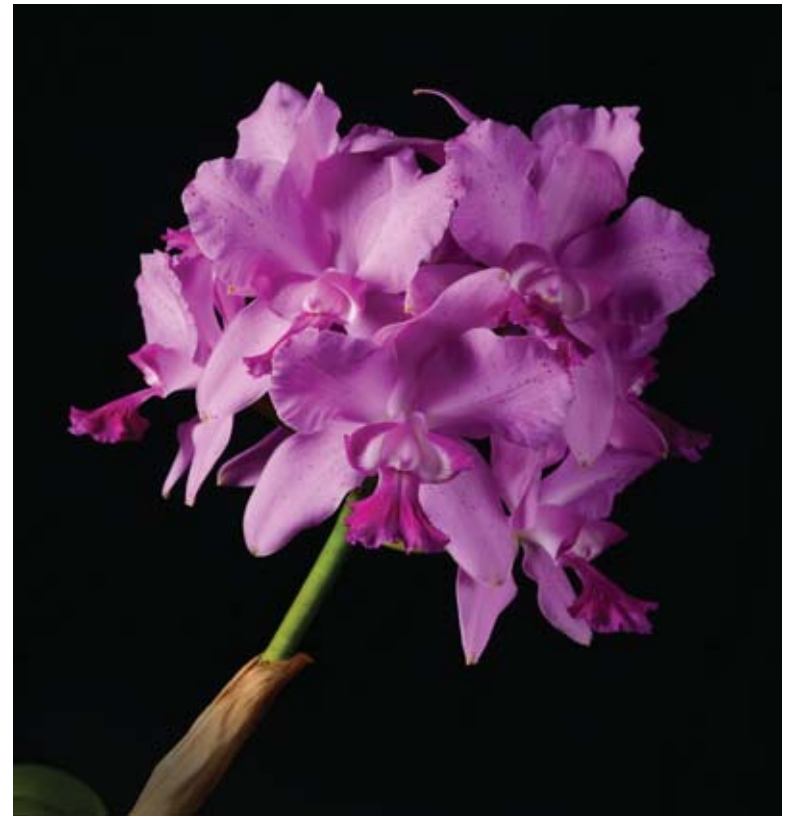


DVOS is moving in 2015

Our current meeting place, the Contra Costa Water District Board room, will not be available to us next year due to earthquake retrofitting. Beginning in

January, we will meet at the newly rebuilt Pleasant Hill Community Center in the McHale Room at 7:30 pm.

Some of you will remember this as the location where we held our Fall Show for many years prior to the rebuild. In addition to changing our location, we will be **changing** from the second Thursday **to the third Thursday** of each month. The Community Center is located at 320 Civic Dr. in Pleasant Hill (near the Police station and the YMCA.)



C. Memoria Diana Slater

If any of your members are interested in entering their orchids in the show, we are always pleased to receive their entries! Plant entry is from 1:30 to 5:30 PM on Friday, January 23rd. Entries for AOS or CSA judging can also be made then. Additionally, AOS judging entries can be made until 6:30 PM, but the AOS clerk will need to be tracked down. Not too hard to do! Plants may be entered for AOS judging without being entered in the show. In that case the person entering the plant must stay until their plant is released from AOS judging, which begins about 8:00 PM. Show entries must be picked up between 5:00 PM and 5:30 PM on Sunday, January 25th unless other arrangements are made ahead of time with the show chair (Mike Drilling). We are happy to do whatever we can to help participants. (Details should appear in our December newsletter, should we be lucky enough to have one. It will be available on our website.)

Orchids - Nature's Beauties

Peninsula Orchid Society

2015 Show & Sale



Saturday, January 24th
Sunday, January 25th
10 am - 5 pm

Community Activities Building
1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA

Admission \$5 Adults, \$3 Senior, \$3 Children 12-16, Free for accompanied children under 12

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Friday, January 16, 2015

Auction 7:00 PM

Registration & Preview 6:30 - 7:00 PM

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Cym. Tower of Fire 'Flambe''

Catalog & Photos will be Available after January 5, 2015 at:

www.GoldCoastCymbidiumGrowers.com

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