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**Regular Meeting Schedule**  
Doors open at 6:30 pm  
Table/chair setup, plants in place  
Ribbon judging starts at 7:00 pm  
Culture session  
Speaker starts at 7:30 pm  
Opportunity drawing  
Table/chair teardown  
Doors close at 9:30 pm

# South Coast Orchid Society

Newsletter

Founded in 1950

February 2013

## Brandon Tam: Orchids In The Huntington Collection

**Program Starts at 7:00 p.m.**

**Monday, February 25, 2013**

Brandon writes: I have been growing orchids since the age of 7 starting with a white flowering Cymbidium my grandmother gave to me. She has been the source of my inspiration to further my studies within the botanical world and pursue a career within that field. She would bring me to our local nursery where she would let me pick a plant each time we went. Over time, not only did my orchid collection grow, but my knowledge in that field did too. At the age of 14, I began volunteering at The Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens where I helped out in different areas. From tending plants in the Conservatory to database entry of pressed specimens in the Herbarium, there were always plenty of opportunities to quench my thirst for plant knowledge. When I turned 16, I graduated from high school. I am currently studying at CSU Pomona, working to obtain my Bachelors in Plant Science. A few months after graduating high school, the Director of the Botanical Gardens at The Huntington offered me an internship within the Orchid Department to reorganize and perpetuate the collection. Currently 19, I am an Orchid Specialist focusing mostly in Paphiopedilums, overseeing a 16,000 plant collection. From hybridizing new plants to the propagation of rare and endangered species, it is a high priority for The Huntington to further the advancements of plants within the Orchid world. Presently, I am working on conservation while collecting and adding more rare orchids to our fast growing collection. I am a member of 7 different orchid societies in Southern California and a Board member of The San Gabriel Valley Orchid Society. I am working full time, both at work and as a student. After I am done earning my degree, I plan to travel the world to collect orchids on behalf of The Huntington Botanical Gardens. [Edited to fit the space.]

### Refreshments

Last names starting with **A through H** please bring refreshments.

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## President's Message

We started the New Year with a great presentation on Australian dendrobium orchids by Fred Clarke from Sunset Valley Orchids. Fred's talk was very informative and the plant table he provided had many new dendrobium hybrids. We welcome our new board members, Lucas Kobzeff as secretary and Wendy D'Amore as membership.

I would like to thank all those who helped with our display at the Newport Harbor Orchid Society show at Westminster mall the second weekend of February. Special thanks to those who helped set up, tear down and provided plants for our display: Russ Nichols, Espie Quinn, Janell Schuck, Whitney France, Agnes Nguyen, Lucas Kopzeff, Sam Hale, Jim Hoyle and Norito Hasegawa.

Please remember to invite your friends and neighbors to join us at our next meeting on Monday, February 25th.

Don't forget that 2013 membership dues are now due. You can download a membership form at our website and mail it to Wendy or bring your dues to the February meeting.

John Reyes

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### South Coast Orchid Society

Ribbon Judging Results

January 28, 2013

#### **Phalaenopsis, Vanda, and Doritis (Sarcanthinae Subtribe)**

First Vanda Princess Mikasa Agnes Nguyen

#### **Cattleya, Laelia, Encyclia (Laeliinae Subtribe)**

First Sophronitis acuensis Jim Hoyle

Second Schomburgkia superbiens Agnes Nguyen

Third Laelia anceps Veitchiana 'Ft Caroline' Espie Quinn

Third Ryncholaelia glauca x Schom. superbiens Agnes Nguyen

#### **Dendrobium (Dendrobiinae Subtribe)**

First Dendrobium Avril Gold 'Dark Spotty' Agnes Nguyen

#### **Paph & Phrag (Cyrtopodioidae Subfamily)**

First Paph (Alma Gavaert 'Hagers' x ('Oriental Mystique' x 'Enchanted Orient')) Don Goss

Second Paphiopedalum Fanaticum Don Goss

#### **Oncidium and Allied Genera (Oncidiinae Subtribe)**

First Cochlioda vulcanica Agnes Nguyen

First Rodriguezia decora Jim Hoyle

Second Odontocidium (unknown) Espie Quinn

Second Osmoglossom pulchellum Jim Hoyle

Third Bllro Purple Haze 'Jimi Hendrix' Don Goss

#### **Cymbidium (Cyrtopodiinae Subtribe)**

First Cym. (Gladio 'Hatfields' x Cindy Lou 'Geyserland') Mong Noiboonsook

Second Cym. Dr Pepper 'Wayne' (Via Horizons ?) Agnes Nguyen

Categories (subtribes) based on 'Home Orchid Growing' by Rebecca Northen

Thanks to Roberta Fox and Russ Nichols for judging

Thanks to Jay Pfahl's Internet Orchid Species Photo Encyclopaedia ([www.orchidspecies.com](http://www.orchidspecies.com)) for correct spellings of genus and species names.

## January Meeting Ribbon Judging Photos

More photos below [Thanks to Mong Noiboonsook for the images.]



Laelia anceps Veitchiana 'Ft Caroline'



Vanda Princess Mikasa

### A Few Reminders

- Start thinking about a repotting schedule for the year based on each orchid's root growth
- Make plans for the show and sales in Santa Barbara
- When attending meetings, lock your vehicles and leave nothing inside that you value
- Don't forget to pay your dues

### Upcoming Events

See our website for flyers: [www.southcoastorchidsociety.com](http://www.southcoastorchidsociety.com).

Newport Harbor Orchid Society Annual Auction, Costa Mesa Community Center, Feb. 19, 6:30 preview, 7:00 pm start  
South Bay Home and Garden Show, Long Beach Convention Center, February 22-24  
South Bay Orchid Society Show & Sale, 330 Civic Center Dr. Torrance, March 2 (12-5), March 3 (10-5)  
Santa Barbara International Orchid Show, Earl Warren Showgrounds, Santa Barbara, March 8-10  
Long Beach Amateurs Orchid Society Annual Auction, 6201 E. Willow, LB, March 11, 6:00 preview, 6:30 start  
San Diego County OS Show & Sale, 1895 Camino del Rio South, San Diego, March 22-24 (Fri 3-7, Sat 9-6, Sun 10-4)

**Our March 2013 meeting date is March 25, 2013**

## Meeting Location

The South Coast Orchid Society holds monthly meetings, usually on the fourth Monday of the calendar month, at the Whaley Park Community Center in Long Beach, CA. Whaley Park is on Atherton, just off Bellflower Blvd. near the Long Beach State University campus.

**The South Coast Orchid Society thanks these commercial vendors for their generosity and support of our 2012 Annual Auction and other events helping to carry us through a successful 2013.**

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## More Photos from Our January Meeting

Rhyncholaelia glauca x Schom. superbiens



Oncidium



Osmoglossom pulchellum



Sophranitis acuensis



**SCOS Displays Orchids at  
Newport Harbor Orchid Show  
"Show Us Your Bloomers"**

- SCOS members assembled their blooming plants and built a spectacular display for the NHOS Orchid Show at the Westminster Mall. Thursday morning, February 7, we brought our plants to the display room. John Reyes, Espie Quinn, Jim Hoyle, Whitney France, Janell Schuck, Sam Hale brought plants and props. Espie arranged the orchids, placing them carefully according to size and color, with backdrops of palms and bromeliads, creating a decorative display. John provided plant tags and calligraphy.
- The show included orchid art, very large pictures and paintings of orchids, in a room next to the exhibits. There were also excellent examples of bonsai, capturing the imagination with their miniature scenes, running water, and carefully pruned trees.
- The vendors were well represented, including Sunset Valley, Hatfield, LICO, and Santa Barbara. John sold our plants through the member plant sales table.
- Several member orchids in different categories won ribbons. However, the overall winner for best display went to the Long Beach Amateurs. They employed an aluminum frame and wire mesh to provide a backdrop, which they hung with orchids and bromeliads. Flower tags were large red hearts (Valentines), adding to the colorful floral display.
- On Sunday, we convened again in the display room, and reversed the process of setting up to take down the display. With many helping hands, the displays were quickly dismantled - the end of another enjoyable show.

The Start - a bare table, flowers, and ideas



Agnes, Whitney, and Espie - Magic Happens



The Result - a beautiful display



Paph Nittens anchors the display



Bonsai to die for ...



The winning display



Den. speciosum 'Don Brown' (var. Hillii?)



More bonsai - all good

