

Orchid Society of Santa Barbara

An Affiliate of the American Orchid Society



Next Meeting:

Wednesday, January 16, 2008

Location: Louise Lowry Davis
Recreation Center
1232 De La Vina (at Victoria)

Meeting: 7:30 PM

Dr. Joseph Arditti

will speak about

The History of Orchid Propagation

Today, mericloned orchids appear in grocery stores and home improvement stores, but it wasn't always so. Come learn about the history of orchid propagation from the very entertaining Dr. Joseph Arditti. Arditti received his PhD from the University of Southern California in 1965 and joined the faculty of the University of California at Irvine in 1966, devoting his career to orchid research. He is currently Professor of Biology Emeritus.

And here is some fun trivia: Arditti was an underclassman at UCLA with our own Paul Gripp!

OSSB Officers for 2008:

President - Randall Umland
Treasurer - P. J. Sanderson

Vice President - Carole Thompson
Secretary - Heidi Kirkpatrick

Visit the OSSB Web Site!

www.orchidsb.net

Calendar

January 23-27, 2008

19th World Orchid Conference

Sheraton Miami Mart Hotel, Exhibition Center, Miami, FL. Info: www.19woc.com. One day show pass \$20. One day lectures and show pass \$50.

February 2-3, 2008

Sonoma County Orchid Society Show and Sale

Sat. 10 AM-5 PM, Sun. 10 AM-4 PM, Santa Rosa Veterans Building, 1351 Maple Ave., Santa Rosa. Admission \$7. www.sonomaorchids.com

February 9-10, 2008

Fascination of Orchids Show

Orange County Fair and Expo Center, 88 Fair Drive, Costa Mesa, CA. www.orchidshow.com

February 29-March 2, 2008

63rd Annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show

Note the early date of next year's show! SBIOS is held three weeks before Easter, and Easter comes early in 2008. Be sure to groom your plants for the society exhibit. This year, Frank Methmann and Randall Umland will oversee installation. Show admission: \$10. www.sborchidshow.com

March 1, 2008

Annual Cymbidium Congress

Check out www.cymbidium.org.

February 29-March 2, 2008

Pacific Orchid Exposition

Unfortunately, San Francisco's show conflicts with our Santa Barbara show this year. Fort Mason Center, SF. Admission \$14. www.orchidsanfrancisco.org

Summary of the December 2007 Meeting

❁ President Don Brown welcomed reminded visitors to sign the guest book and welcomed several new members: Nancy Gottlieb and Mark Christman, Linda Tripp, and Colin Purcell.

❁ Thanks to everyone who contributed time and effort to the show. There were lovely exhibits by our three vendors, Hatfield Orchids, Sonora Orchids, and Orchids of Los Osos, plus exhibits by Cal-Orchid and Santa Barbara Orchid Estate. Five Cities Orchid Society, Coastal Valley Orchid Society, and Santa Barbara Cymbidium Society all installed displays, in addition to the display by members of our own society. Thanks also so several members who had individual exhibits: Norito Hasegawa (Paphanatics), Frank Methmann, Robert Wetz, and Norm Wieder. The society thanks show stalwarts Phil and Angela Watt and Carol Rogers for spending their weekends at sales and hospitality. PJ Sanderson and James Merriman deserve thanks for publicity. Jeff Thompson installed much of the OSSB display with the help of Eugene Hagerty and handled the award plaques. Jeff's daughter, Mairead Bower, photographed award winners for the plaques. Carrie Brown provided tasty treats for the AOS and CSA judges. Dick Swain got the balloons that mark winning plants. Our president, Don Brown, spent the weekend at the show. A number of other members helped with the displays or sales, or by bringing plants to exhibit. Thanks to everyone.

❁ Members were reminded that the AOS voted unanimously in favor of an AOS judging center in Santa Barbara. Judges will meet in the other room at Louise Lowry Davis during our monthly meetings. To accommodate the judging center, OSSB has moved its monthly meeting to the 3rd Wednesday of the month.

OSSB meetings in 2008 will be on the 3rd Wednesday of the month!

Santa Barbara Cymbidium Society will meet on the 2nd Wednesday of the month in the small room at Louise Lowry Davis.

❁ After the society potluck, our own Meryl Wieder presented a very well received photographic tribute to our fall show. Thanks go to those who donated plants at the December auction, and my apologies for not having a complete list. I know Bryce Augustine and Norito Hasegawa donated plants (because I have them), and I hear that Santa Barbara Orchid Estate and Don Brown also donated plants.

❁ Several annual trophies are presented at the Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Fall Show. Many thanks to new member Colin Purcell for photography of the trophy presentations. Congratulations to all the ribbon and trophy winners from the OSSB show in December, Two American Orchid Society Highly Commended Certificates and one Cymbidium Society of America Bronze Award were presented at the fall show; congratulations to Bryce Augustine, Norito Hasegawa (Paphanatics), and Michael Glickbarg (Orchids of Los Osos) for those awards.

Other Announcements

❁ The 2008 show will be November 22-23 and the Museum of Natural History. The theme will be "Galaxies of Orchids".

❁ Thanks to everyone who has served on the OSSB Board. The 2008 Board members will be Carol Rogers, Angela Watt, James Merriman and past president Don Brown.

Trophy Winners! Left: Coastal Valley Orchid Society display, which won both the Orchid Digest Show Trophy and the Dr. Albert and Sandra Svoboda Trophy for best theme. Right: Santa Barbara Orchid Estate's massive plant of *Epi. ciliare*, which took home the Carole Cowan Trophy. Front page: SBOE's Paul Gripp *L. anceps* Trophy winner, 'SanBar Super Splash'.



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Clockwise from top:

Don Brown presenting the Svoboda Trophy (Best Display) to Coastal Valley Orchid Society representative Gene Baum;

Paul Gripp presenting the Paul Gripp Laelia anceps trophy to Santa Barbara Orchid Estate representative Alice Gripp;

Phil Watt presenting Don Brown a gift on behalf of an anonymous society member;

Don Brown with the gift (cheese board with orchids engraved);

Don Brown presenting Santa Barbara Orchid Estate representative Alice Gripp with the Carole Cowan Trophy (Best Plant) for SBOE's *Epi. ciliare*.

Photos courtesy Colin Purcell.



Orchid Society of Santa Barbara Membership Renewal

Annual Membership is \$30. Make checks payable to OSSB. Memberships can be renewed at the monthly meeting or by sending your check to: PJ Sanderson, 2211 Alameda Padre Serra, Santa Barbara, CA 93103

Please include the following information:

Name: _____

Address: _____

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2007 Show Table Results

Thanks go to everyone who brought a blooming plant for the show table in 2007. The society is also grateful to Paul Gripp and Bryce Augustine for their entertaining and educational show table discussions.

Congratulations to our 2007 show table winners. Competition was stiff, plants were delightful, and the membership was the ultimate beneficiary of great monthly show tables!

- 1) James Merriman *44 points*
- 2) Don Brown *35 points*
- 3) Dick Swain *31 points*
Jeff Thompson *31 points*

2008 Show Table

Everyone is encouraged to bring blooming plants to share on the monthly show tables. And every month, anyone who attends a meeting is encouraged to vote for his or her favorite plant on the show table.

For those new to the society or who have forgotten how our monthly voting works, here are the guidelines. Each month, exhibitors place numbered labels on each of their plants, then put their name with the numbers they used into the notebook provided. Anyone who brings a plant gets a point. After the voting, the owner of the plant receiving the most votes earns 5 points. Second place is worth 3 points and third place is worth 2 points. At the end of the year, the points are tabulated, which determines the annual show table winner. The show table begins again at the January meeting.