



# Central Jersey Orchid Society Newsletter

September 2018

## President's Message September 2018

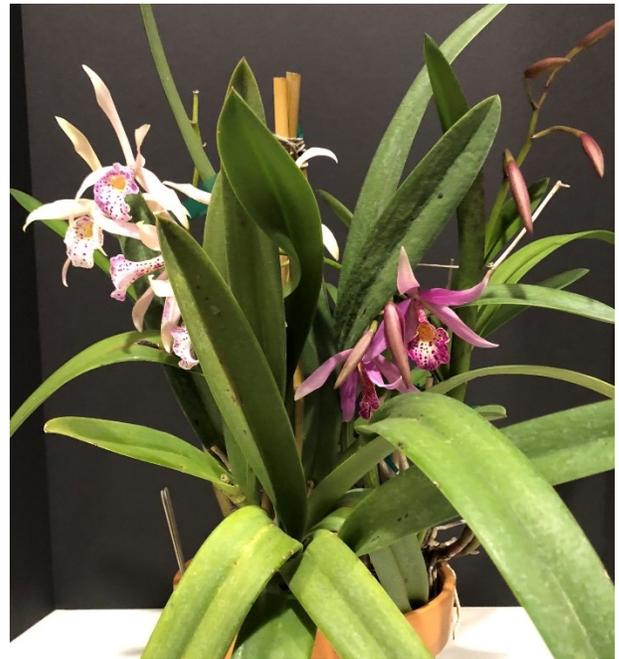
CJOS has started its new season with a great success. First was the excellent presentation by Mary Jo Gilsdorf. She gave a very informative talk about potting and other cultural techniques. She spoke for longer than usual because everyone was so engrossed. Mary Jo was happy because many members purchased some of the orchids she brought for sale. Second, we had a very large turnout for the meeting with 43 attendees. That is about 80% of our membership.. Third, we now have a new member Jeff Tryon.

The display/judging table was filled with wonderful orchids. With so many new members we now have substantially more plants on the table than in previous years. Just a reminder if you have an orchid and you are not sure what category in which it should be placed, please check with me. This month several ended up in the wrong group. I want to thank Sara Toth for taking excellent photographs of the awarded orchids. I have asked her to continue in this role and she has accepted.

Please remember to pay your dues. We have increased the dues to \$30 for a single membership and \$35 for a family. This is the first increase in 25 years. This increase will support our holiday party, gift orchids, raffles and speakers. The Executive committee hopes this will permit CJOS to wait 2 years until the next auction.

CJOS plans to put an exhibit in the NJOS show in January that will be chaired by Anne. I raised the possibility of putting in a second exhibit in either the DCOS show in February or the SEPOS show in late March. The society needs your input on this topic

and would also need a volunteer to chair the subsequent exhibits. I personally think the DCOS show is too close to the NJOS show. If we decide to do another exhibit I think the timing of the SEPOS show is much better.



C. Lc. Richard Mueller x C. Purpurata  
David Carrick

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## Meetings and Events

Meetings are held the first Wednesday of the month at the at the Johnson Education Center (D&R Greenway Land Trust) One Preservation Place Princeton, NJ 08540

**Sept:** Mary Jo Gilsdorf :“Adaptive Potting Techniques and Other Cultural Tips”. **Will have Plant for sale**

**Oct:** Greg Griffis:  
Jewel orchids and other Terrestrials

**Nov:** Allan Koch: Gold Coast Orchids

**Dec:** Holiday Party

**Jan:** Paul Sheetz: Unifoliate Cattleya, How to Identify and distinguish them

**Feb:** Beth Davis: What is a Beth Orchid?

**March:** 2019 Bob Sprague: Orchid Trivia.

**Apr:** TBA

**May:** Annual Question and Answer Session

**June:** Annual CJOS Picnic

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# JUDGING June 2018

## Cattleya

1. C. Lc.Richard Mueller x C. Purpurata  
**David Carrick**



2. C. Sea Breeze **George Guzikowski**



3. Pot. Samantha Duncan 'Orange Tart' AM  
**Tobie Parnett**

## Den/Onc

1. Den. Burana Jadex Aridang Green  
**Naomi Nierenberg**



2. Den. Pontang Green **Roz Greenburg**

3. Den. Enobi Purple **Mary A Koslov**



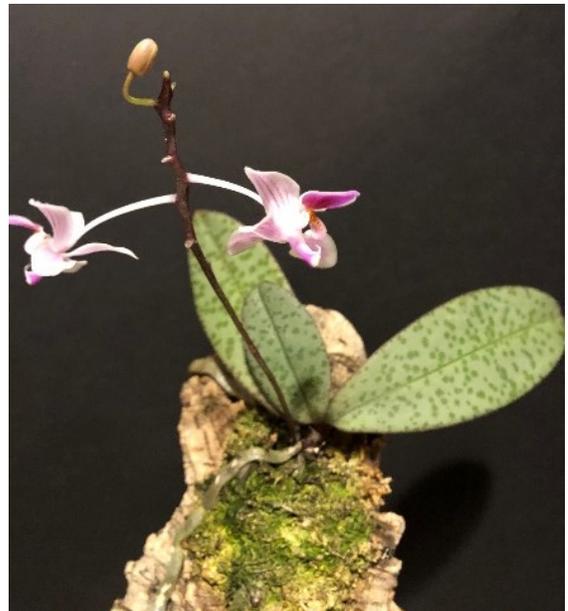
# Phal/Vanda

1. Vanda Paki x Bill Burke **Luanne. Arico**



2. Vanda Kultana Gold 'White Spot' **George Guzikowski**

3. Phal Connie Moody **George Wallace**



# Paph/Phrag

1. NOID Joe Thomas



2. Phrag Sorcerers Appren. Dave Carrick

3. NOID Joe Thomas



# Species

1. *Aerangis solomalense* x *mystacidi* 'Valley Isle'  
**Chris Bevins**



2. *Milt Bratonia Shelob* 'Okika'  
**Elaine Westhafer**

## Other

1. *Bulbo obtusipetalum*  
Renee Jolley



2. *Miltonia NOID*  
Roz Greenburg

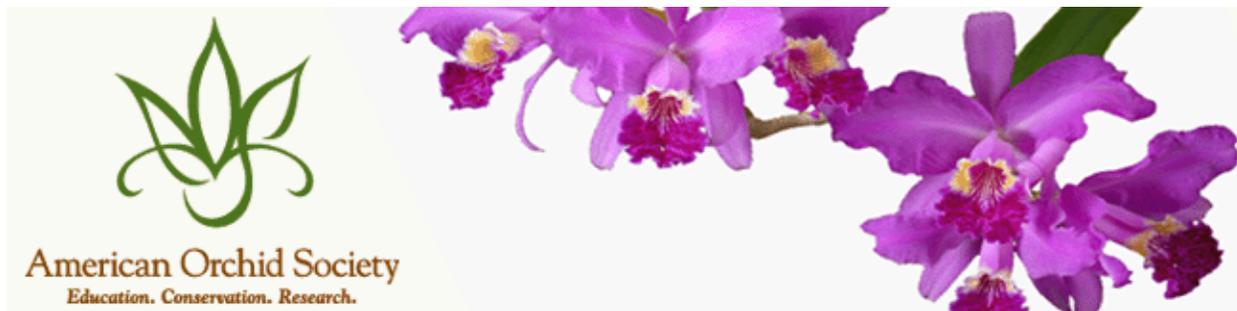
## Orchid of the Month



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# Orchid Events

## Upcoming AOS Webinars



### Orchiata Bark, What is Everyone Talking about?

Garry Clark

Tuesday, October 9th, 2018  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT



### Greenhouse Chat

Ron McHatton

Thursday, October 18th, 2018  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EDT

Orchid Q&A



### Greenhouse Chat

Ron McHatton

Wednesday, November 7th, 2018  
8:30 PM - 9:30 PM EST

Orchid Q&A

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**AOS.org**

## 12th Merritt Huntington Memorial Symposium

Presented by an alliance of his orchid friends in Virginia  
November 2 & 3, 2018

**The Founders Inn and Spa**  
5641 Indian River Road, Virginia Beach, VA  
757-366-5700  
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### Symposium: Friday, November 2, 6:00 PM – 9:30 PM

6:00 PM Buffet Dinner (included in registration), Cash Bar and Plant Sales  
7:15 Introduction - Rob Griesbach  
7:30 - Linda Thorne – Merritt Huntington, Forever in Our Hearts  
8:30 - Panel Discussion

### Symposium: Saturday, November 3, 8:45 AM – 4:00 PM

8:45 Introduction - Rob Griesbach  
9:00 - Mark Reinke - "Decoding Dendrobium: the Surprising Orchids You *Thought* You Knew!"

Plants to be entered for AOS Judging by 10:00 AM  
10:30 - Sam Tsui - "Multifloral Paphiopedilum and their Culture"

Buffet Lunch (included in registration) and plant sales 12:00- 1:00 PM  
1:30 David Off – "You Bred What?"  
2:15 - Linda Wilhelm – The Real Miltonias  
3:15 - Judging Awards Presentation

#### VENDORS:

**Waldor Orchids** - [www.waldor.com](http://www.waldor.com)  
**Orchid Inn** - [www.orchidinnusa.com](http://www.orchidinnusa.com)  
**Marble Branch Farms** - [www.marblebranchfarms.com](http://www.marblebranchfarms.com)  
**Seagrove Orchids** - [www.seagroveorchids.com](http://www.seagroveorchids.com)  
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Please make checks payable to Huntington Memorial Symposium  
Return to: Joanne Bryan, 932 Darby Rd, Virginia Beach, Va. 23464  
\*For additional information and Online registration go to: [www.mhsymposium.org](http://www.mhsymposium.org)  
The Founders Inn and Spa rate for Huntington Symposium: \$99 Plus Tax

**We haven't had a volunteer for a while please consider taking some pictures.**

### **How Do You Grow?**

**Each month, I would like to show a member's growing methods/conditions. We started with ours. Please send me pictures of your growing conditions (summer/winter)**

**[edsharkf@yahoo.com](mailto:edsharkf@yahoo.com)** No submission this month. Let's get some pictures of your growing space

## **From AOS Website**

### **Monthly Checklist for September and October**

#### **Cattleya**

Despite the shortening days and lowering angle of the sun, September can still be one of the hottest months. Water and fertilizer need to be in balance with heat and light. The alert grower will notice, however, that his or her plants are beginning to slow down a bit. Growths are maturing, and the sheaths are giving the promise of the next six-months' bloom.

Check plants for potting needs for the last time this season. Any in dire need should be potted, even some that may be on the cusp, as there is just enough of the growing season left to allow the plants to establish before the days start to get really short and cold.

This is the month for purples derived from *Cattleya labiata* breeding to flower. If you are short on flowers, look into this group. There is nothing that can quite match this type for beauty and fragrance. They are easy to grow, too.

Plants summered outdoors should begin to be prepared to be brought back into the winter growing area. Clean the plants up and be on the lookout for any pests they may have picked up

during the summer. Treat as necessary.



*Cycnoches chlorochilon*, the green swan orchid.

## **Cycnoches**

This little-known and under-appreciated genus, which can have male or female flowers, is at its best in the autumn. Two of the spectacular varieties are *Cycnoches loddigesii*, with its large brown flowers resembling a prehistoric bird, and *Cycnoches chlorochilon*, the swan orchid. This last one has large, fragrant green flowers. The biggest problem, culturally, will be red spider mite infestations that require immediate attention. Plants are quite seasonal, requiring heavy watering in the growing season and then a drier dormant winter season.

## **Cymbidium**

Summer can be the most rewarding season for cymbidiums. Growths should be coming strong now. The leaves of the new growths are best when they are broad and fairly stiff. The color

should be a light green to nearly yellow. Early flowering varieties should be showing flower spikes, so move the plants into a cooler area with lower light. For mid-season varieties, lower the dosage of nitrogen to assist in spike initiation.



*Dendrobium Burana Stripe* is a popular and easy phalaenopsis-type hybrid.

## **Dendrobium**

This is a good season for hybrids of the *Dendrobium phalaenopsis* and *Dendrobium canaliculatum* types. Both are capable of putting on tremendous shows of long-lasting flowers. Fertilize with a low-nitrogen formula to promote the best flowers. *Dendrobium phalaenopsis* can get tall and top heavy, suggesting an attractive and heavy container would be appropriate for this type.

## **Rhynchosele bictoniensis**

Both *Rhynchosele bictoniensis* and its hybrids bloom in this season. *Rhynchosele bictoniensis*, formerly known as *Lemboglossum*, *Odontoglossum*) is a showy species from Mexico that has three different color forms: sulphureum (green with white lip), album (brown with white lip) and roseum (brown with a pink lip). It is a vigorous grower with tall inflorescences of many flowers, and imparts to its progeny (as seen in Odcdm. Bittersweet and Odm. bicross) ease of culture, warmth tolerance and eye-catching patterns. They make a prime candidate for odontoglossum beginners and advanced alike.

## **Paphiopedilum**

Standard, green-leaved paphiopedilums begin to show their bloom sheaths this month. Late-season heat waves can blast these early sheaths, so be observant about proper cooling and air circulation. As with the rest of your plants that may have been summered outdoors, it is time to prepare for their move inside. Clean each plant and implement pest-control practices. Repotting, if necessary, is appropriate.

# Phalaenopsis

The bulk of this season's growth is being ripened this month, with growers in cooler climates seeing the first emerging inflorescences. Some night heating may be necessary in the cooler areas. Begin to watch watering more carefully, and reduce feeding proportionately with reduced watering needs. An extra dose of phosphorus and potassium, such as a bloom-booster or high-acid-type fertilizer, is beneficial.



Rossioglossum grande shows off its large, dramatic flowers.

## Rossioglossum grande

Once known as *Odontoglossum grande*, this is a spectacular orchid with six to eight flowers up to 8 inches across. Often known as the tiger orchid, it has bright golden yellow flowers heavily marked with chestnut brown barring. The plants are beautiful with a grey-green cast to the foliage, which is borne on succulent pseudobulbs. It prefers hot and wet summers with cooler, even down to 40 F, dry winters. Grow under filtered light. Watch for snails and slugs that eat the flowers, pseudobulbs and leaves.

*The AOS thanks Ned Nash and James Rose for this essay.*