

APRIL 2015

Diablo View



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DVOS meets on the third Thursday of the month in the
in the McHale Room at the Pleasant Hill Community Center
320 Civic Dr. in Pleasant Hill, CA.
7:30-10:00 pm

AT OUR NEXT MEETING:

**THURSDAY April 16 at 7:30 P.M. in the McHale Room
at the Pleasant Hill Community Center**

***Pierre Pujol will share his insights on improving your
growing skills***

PLANT TABLE:

Plant table will be provided by Pierre Pujol

SPEAKER'S DINNER

BEFORE OUR NEXT MEETING AT 5:30:

***Sichuan Fortune House,
41 Woodsworth Lane, Pleasant Hill***

BOARD MEETING:

***Thursday April 23th at 7:30 P.M. at the home of
Miki Ichiyanagi***



AT OUR NEXT MEETING APRIL 16

Pierre Pujol

Like many of us, Pierre started growing orchids given to him by friends and neighbors, then became intrigued by the plants and was hooked for good four years ago. Since then, his collection has grown rapidly to about a thousand plants today, many of which are Cymbidiums. The 25% non-Cymbidiums genera in Pierre's collection is expanding and comprises many genera, mostly cool to intermediate growing.

A graduate of the National Agronomical Institute in Paris, Pierre tries to use his education to understand the cultural requirements of orchids and apply it experimentally to his collection. Over the last 3 years, his efforts were rewarded by several AOS and CSA quality and cultural awards, although he modestly admits that he is still on the learning curve.

With (French) humor, simple explanations and a lot of pictures, Pierre will share how his personal experiences and understanding of basic scientific principles helped him improve his orchid growing skills.

Pierre is a member of several orchid societies in the San Francisco Bay Area



AT OUR MARCH MEETING:

The DVOS March meeting featured Carol Klonowski speaking about the native orchids of South Africa. Carol presented a well detailed account of the South African orchids as part of her travel log to the 2014 World Orchid Conference in Johannesburg, South Africa. Carol's travels took her through the southeastern portion of South Africa and down to the Cape of Good Hope, with an emphasis on the gently rolling grasslands and the terrestrial orchids growing within these grasslands.



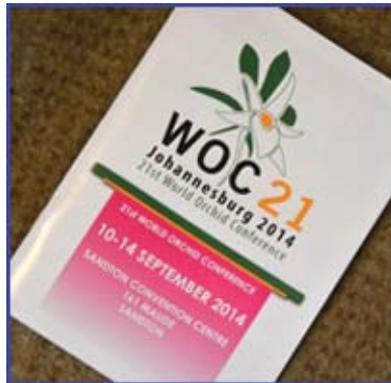
Carol's talk emphasized the importance that fires play in the rebirth of terrestrial orchids. Large portions of South Africa are represented by gently rolling hills. These hills contain nutrient poor soil and are covered in native grasses. When fire strikes, the grasses are turned into ash and the intense heat of the fire awakens the dormant orchid tubers in the soil. Approximately 30 days later, the first leaves begin to form from the tubers. The orchids are getting ready to bloom. Shortly after a fire is the best time to see the native orchids of South Africa. As time passes, the native grasses tend to reestablish themselves and the terrestrial orchids return to their dormant state.

Carol's travel log continued through many of the other areas of South Africa from the Cape of Good Hope to the Drakensberg Escarpment to the Verloren Valei , or Lost Valley. Carol showed beautiful photographs of the many South African orchids that flourish in these areas: Polystachya, Satyrium, Aerangis, Calanthe, Liparis, Eulophia, Disperis, and Disa.

Towards the end of her presentation, Carol showed us some interesting (and inspiring - Ed.) photographs of the exhibits at the World Orchid Conference in Johannesburg.

Thank you, Carol, for the wonderful adventure through the African countryside.

Review by Brad Piini



AOS Corner

The April 2015 AOS Corner- From the desk of
Laura Newton, Membership and Affiliated Societies Chair

The Webinar for this month:

This month we have a **double-header!**

Greg Allikas - *Cattleya lueddemanniana* on April 14, 2015 at 8:30 EDT/5:30PDT. (This webinar is for members only.) and a week later...

Ron McHatton - *AOS Greenhouse Chat* on April 21, 2015 at 8:30pm EDT (This webinar is open to everyone.)

The April issue of *Orchids* typically concentrates on judging and the 2015 issue is a must read: *Judging Paphiopedilum rothschildianum- The New Standard, by James Fang*, this article outlines what makes this species awardable.

Judging Masdevallias by Mario Ferrusi, an in depth look at this genus that has many shapes and colors.

The Best of the Best, by Lois Posey describes the AOS Special Judging awards for 2013, with wonderful insights about the award winning plants and their owners. *Paragons - The 2014 First Class Certificates*, by **Kathy Barrett**, is a photo essay of the fabulous flowers that scored over 90 points in 2014.

For those of you that are not really into judging, **there are other great articles on: *Repotting, Bletia, Ornithidium, and Camaridium***, and an article on the Redland International Orchid Festival on May 15th-17th 2015.

Something that I found just recently in the conservation area of the website that I think is great an Orchid emergency care card that can be found at http://aos.org/images/img_content/carecard.gif



C. Nancy Hart

Awards DVOS March 2015

Novice

1st	<i>C. Nancy Hart</i>	Marcia Hart
2nd	<i>Rdcm. (Angel Heart x Spunky)</i>	David Trebotich
3rd	<i>Den. kingianum</i>	Meg Crosby

Intermediate

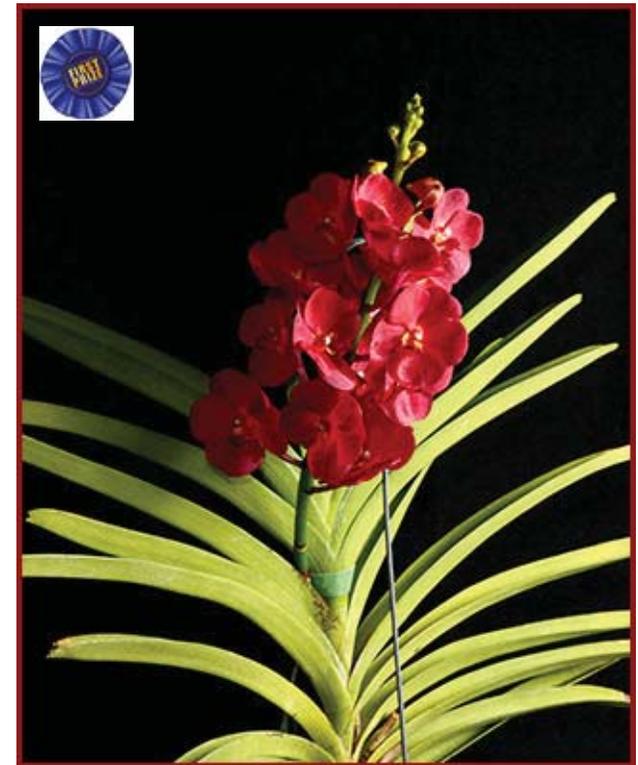
1st	<i>Ascda. Fuchs Royal Dragon</i>	Renata Johnson
2nd	<i>Clka. Hsinying Blossom</i>	Ireme Desmond
3rd	<i>Max. cucullata</i>	Barbara Ungersma

Advanced

1st	<i>Monnieara Millenium Magic</i> <i>'Witchcraft' AM/AOS</i>	Jim Wert
2nd	<i>Angraecum sesquipedale</i>	Sue Davis
3rd	<i>Lc. Caligula 'Hadrian' HCC/AOS</i>	Cheryl Phillipson

Lancer Smith (species/under 6")

<i>Max. shunkeana</i>	Akiko Ogawa
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Ascda. Fuchs Royal Dragon

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

REFRESHMENTS FOR THE APRIL MEETING WILL BE PROVIDED BY:



FOOD:

(Please cut into servings)

Irma Preciado, Renata Johnson,
Diana Vavrek, Francine Tchan,
George Cooper, Marcia Hart,
Greg Scown, Judith Johnson,
Meg Crosby

DRINKS:

Miki Ichiyanagi, David Trebotich,
Barbara Ungersma

ICE:

Don Taylor

Den. kingianum



Congratulations to David Trebotich



David was awarded an HCC for his *Rdc.* (Angel Heart x Spunky) at the CSNJC in March 2015.



Rdc. (Angel Heart x Spunky)

Monnierara Millenium
Magic 'Witchcraft AM/AOS



Angreacum sesquipedale

Marcia Hart is our *New Member Mentor*. Contact her at MarHart2@aol.com if you have questions or a problem, or need advice on an orchid topic. (Her phone number is in your roster). Marcia will answer your question or find someone who can.

Orchid Mystique

Sacramento Orchid Society's
68th Annual Orchid Show
& Plant Sale

Scottish Rite Temple
6151 Jf Street
Sacramento, Ca 95819

April 18-19, 2015
Saturday 10-5
Sunday 10-4

Admission \$7.00

FREE Parking

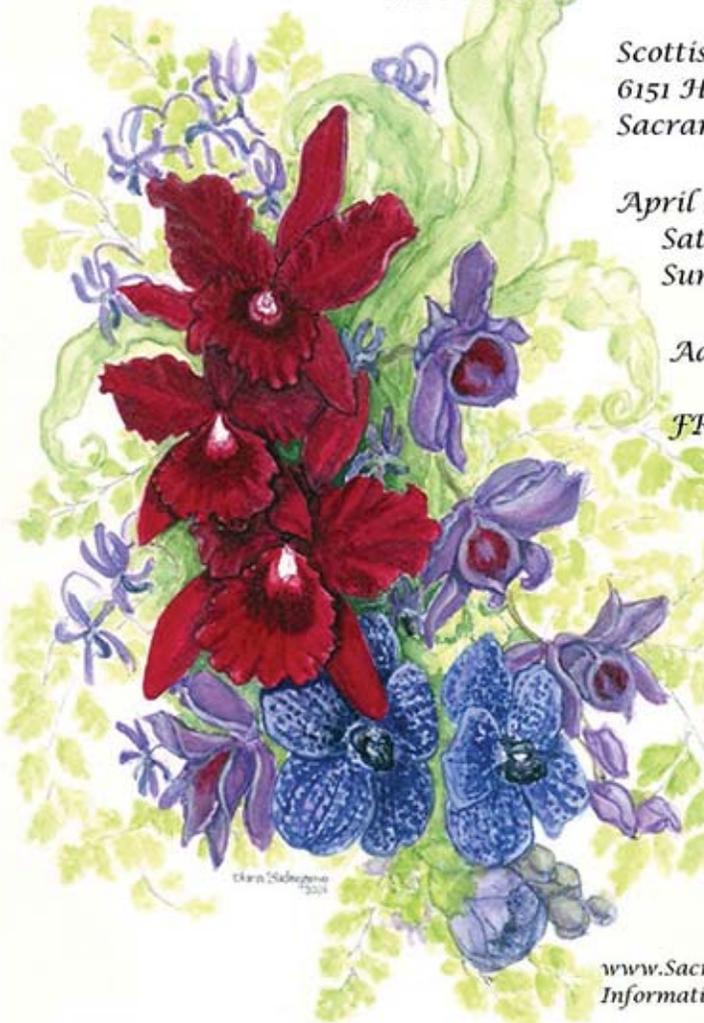
Door Prizes

Demonstrations

Classes and

Vendors Galore

www.SacramentoOrchids.org
Information (916)489-3263



Max. cucullata

UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

April 16: DVOS Meeting

**April 17 - 18: Sacramento Orchid Society Show and Sale
(see p. 11)**

April 18: Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Show and Sale

April 23: DVOS Board meeting

**May 2-3: D&D Open House and
Sale 9 am - 3 pm (see p. 15)**

**May 9 - 10: Mother's Day
Weekend Show and Sale
in Oakland (see p. 13)**

Aug 8: BBQ and Auction

Dec 17: Holiday Party



Lc. Caligula 'Hadrian' HCC/AOS



Mother's Day Weekend

Saturday and Sunday
May 9th and 10th
10AM – 5PM

Orchid Show & Sale 2015

Lakeside Park Garden Center

666 Bellevue Avenue Oakland CA 94610

Next to the Gardens at Lake Merritt Botanical Garden in Lakeside Park

FREE ADMISSION • Orchid displays • Orchids for sale • Culture sessions • Raffles

Presented by orchidsocietyofca.org • This card good for one FREE raffle ticket!

DVOS Grower Divisions 2015

Advanced

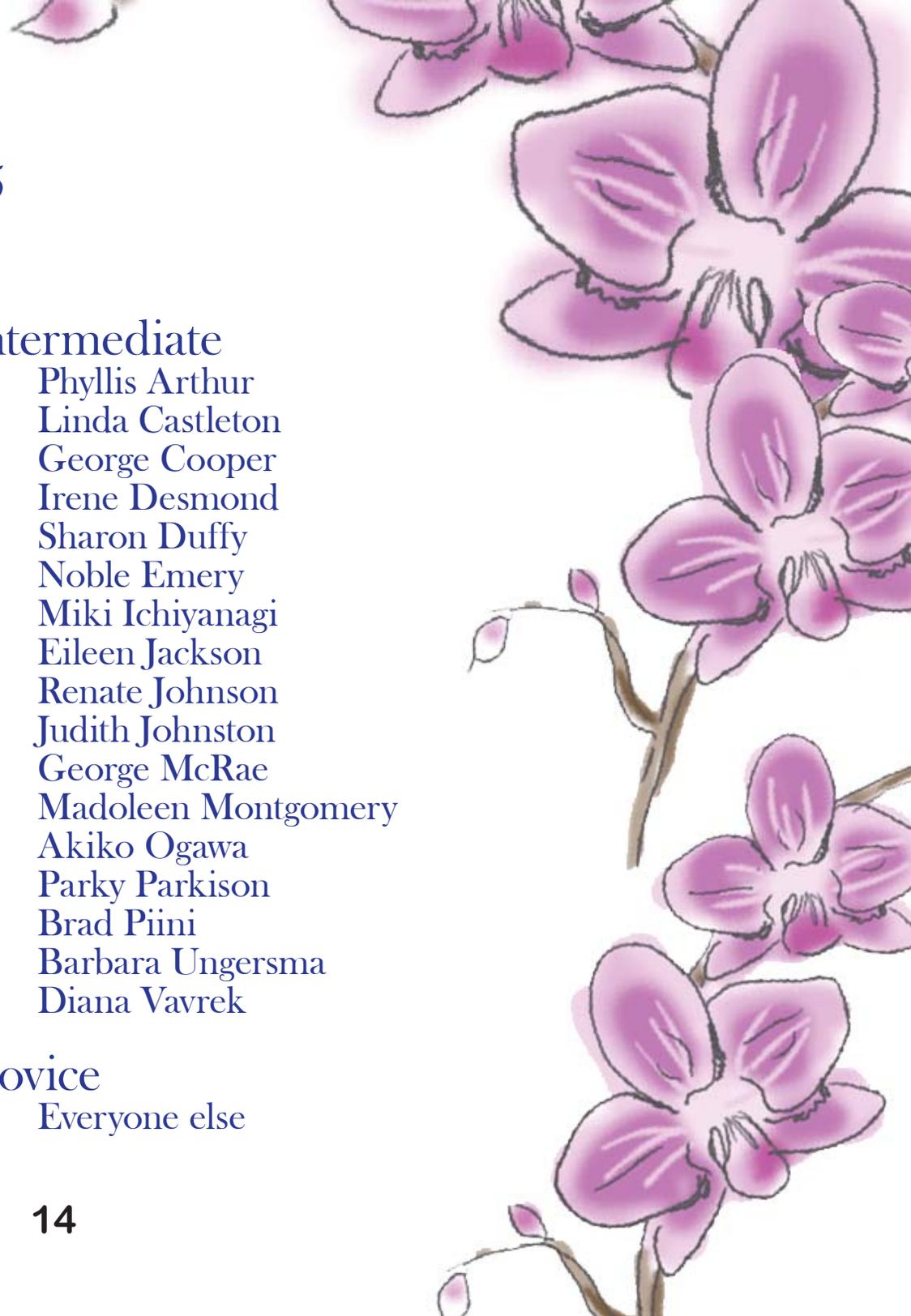
Kathy Barrett
Cindy Battershall
Steve Beckendorf
Jim Chan
Liz Charlton
Ken Cook
Sue Davis
Mark Dillard
Cynthia Hill
Carol Klonowski
Sung Lee
Bernice Lindner
Ted and Nancy McClellan
Yunor Peralta
Cheryl Phillipson
Tom Pickford
Paul Reeve
Dave Tomassini
Jim Wert

Intermediate

Phyllis Arthur
Linda Castleton
George Cooper
Irene Desmond
Sharon Duffy
Noble Emery
Miki Ichiyanagi
Eileen Jackson
Renate Johnson
Judith Johnston
George McRae
Madoleen Montgomery
Akiko Ogawa
Parky Parkison
Brad Piini
Barbara Ungersma
Diana Vavrek

Novice

Everyone else



D & D Flowers Spring Open-house May 2nd &
3rd , 2015 9:00 am to 3 pm
At the new location at 169 1st Avenue Daly City,
CA 94014

(D&D Flowers is not open to the public except during the
spring and fall scheduled open houses)

Directions 280 South from San Francisco: Take the Eastmoore exit and
veer to the right onto Sullivan Avenue. At the stop light, make a right onto
Washington Street (service station on the right and Krispy Kream Donut at
opposite corner). Go over the freeway, through Junipero Serra Blvd to San
Pedro (Catholic Church at intersection). Make a left onto San Pedro and
continue through Mission Street between Bank of America and Wendy's. At
the stop sign, make a left
onto 1st Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd
house with the red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery.
Enter the gate of the chain link fence with red lattice on the left
hand side of the red garage.

Directions 280 north of Hicky Blvd.: Take the Pacifica/Eastmoore
Avenue exit and veerto the right to the Eastmoore Avenue exit. At
the stop light, you would like to be on the 2nd lane to the left. Turn
left onto Junipero Serra Blvd and at the stop light; make a right turn
onto San Pedro Road. Then continue through Mission Street between
Bank of America and Wendy's. At the stop sign, make a left onto 1st
Avenue. Greenhouse is on the right hand side of the 3rd house with the
red garage and a sign reading Demattei Nursery. Enter the gate of the
chain link fence with red lattice on the left hand side of the red garage.

Please drive safely. Limited street parking so please car
pool. Do not park within the chain link fence. **Mahalo for your cooperation!!!!!!**



Max. shunkeana

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