

NOVEMBER  
2015

*Diablo View*



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

**AT OUR NEXT MEETING:**

**THURSDAY Nov. 19 at 7:30 P.M. in the McHale Room  
at the Pleasant Hill Community Center**

**Our speaker will be Cindy Hill (see p. 4)**

**PLANT TABLE:**

**Plant table will be provided by Cindy Hill**

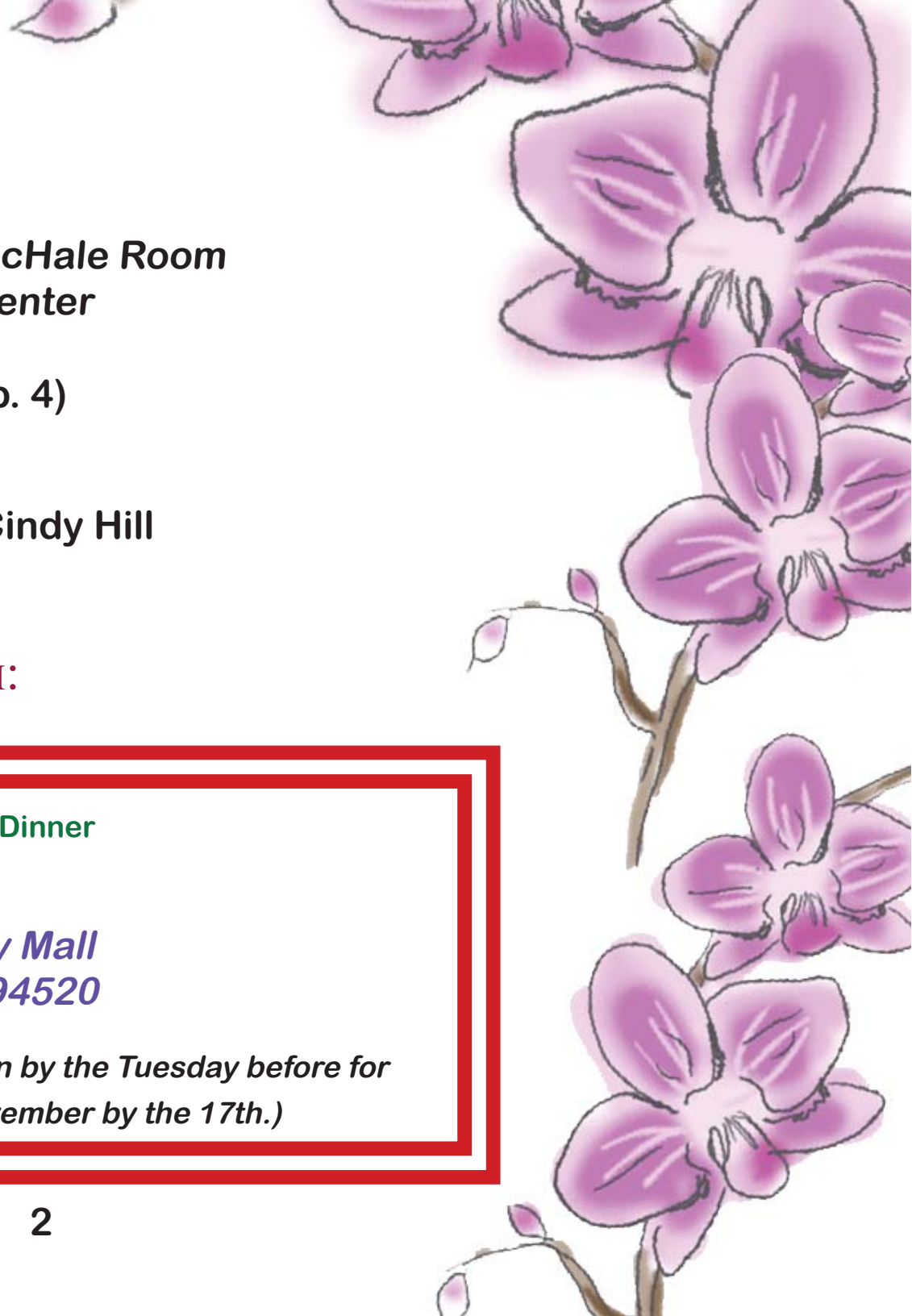
**SPEAKER'S DINNER**

**BEFORE THE MEETING IS AT 5:30 PM:**

**New Location For Dinner**

***BJ's  
385 Sun Valley Mall  
Concord, CA 94520***

***Those attending need to contact Eileen by the Tuesday before for  
reservation purposes. (For November by the 17th.)***



# UPCOMING SPEAKERS AND EVENTS

- Nov 11 - 15: AOS Fall Member's Meeting (P. 15)
- Nov 14 - 15: Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show and Sale (P. 14)
- Nov 19: DVOS meeting
- Dec. 17 *Annual DVOS **Holiday Party*** Pleasant Hill Community Center (P. 7)

## AOS Judging

### The California Sierra Nevada Judging Center

First Wednesday each month at 6:30 pm concurrent with the Sacramento Orchid Society meeting at Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave, Sacramento, Ca.

### Pacific Central Judging Center

Third Monday each month at 7:00 pm concurrent with the Orchid Society of California, Lakeside Garden Center by Lake Merritt. 666 Bellevue Drive, Oakland, Ca.



*R/c.* Hsinying Pachi Pachi



'Carmela'

Betty Chinn N2

# AT OUR NEXT MEETING NOVEMBER 19

*Cindy Hill*

Cindy's presentation will be: *My Ten Favorite Orchids and Why I Love Them*. This is a personal tour of the orchids that she has come to appreciate more every year, including species from Coelogyne, Laelia, Dendrobium, Cochlioda, Cleisocentron, Neofinetia and Schoenorchis. The focus will be on the reasons she finds them so rewarding, and on sharing what she has learned about keeping them happy.

Cindy has been growing orchids for pleasure for over 40 years, beginning on a kitchen windowsill in St. Louis, with mail-order plants from Orchids by Hausermann, near Chicago. (Remember catalogs?) When she moved to southern California in 1982, she started growing plants outdoors on a small patio, and in a 7x7 ft lean-to greenhouse in Solana Beach. Finding microclimates of temperature, light and moisture in her small yard, she extended her growing area and collection. Since moving to the Bay Area in 2005, she now grows around 700 species orchids in an intermediate greenhouse. Plants she has cultivated have received the highest cultural and quality awards, as well as the Benjamin Kodama and Carlyle A. Luer Annual Awards, from the American Orchid Society.

Cindy served as Acting Editor of Orchid Digest magazine for five years, and has been a member of the Publication Committee of both the AOS and Orchid Digest. Her articles have appeared in both magazines, as well as in Die Orchideen Journal. She has volunteered as a docent for the California Academy of Sciences, and has been an Accredited AOS judge. Observing orchids in the wild in Madagascar, Borneo, the Philippines, Hong Kong, Indonesia, Thailand, Guatemala, Ecuador, and Peru has helped her develop an understanding of what an orchid's natural habitat looks, sounds, smells and feels like, which she applies to her cultivation methods.

# AT OUR OCTOBER MEETING: WITH MARY NISBET

BY BRAD PIINI

The October DVOS meeting featured Mary Nisbet describing several of her favorite orchids.

Mary started by describing *Tricocentrum* (formerly *oncidium*) *lanceanum*. This is a mule-eared orchid with very small pseudobulbs. It is fragrant and flowers twice a year. The first blooms come in the summertime, with a second set of smaller blossoms that appear in the fall. This plant needs a lot of water but hates being overwatered. It prefers high humidity to wet feet. This orchid also prefers phalaenopsis-type low light conditions.



The next described plant was *Cochlioda vulcanica*, also known as the volcano orchid. This plant is a lithophyte and grows on the rocky sides of volcanoes. It prefers cool conditions of 51° - 73° F, which is considered to be an intermediate temperature range, with mostly shady conditions. Hummingbirds are the pollinators of this orchid.

The next plant up was *Pleurothallis colossus*. This specimen sized plant is native to Ecuador, Columbia, and its new home, Sung Lee's greenhouse. (Sung fought for, and won the orchid in an auction after Mary's talk.) It prefers warm to intermediate conditions. The plant likes lots of water and is pollinated by a fly.

Mary then went on to answer some questions on fertilizers and thrips. For thrips she likes to use super fine oil, but not dormant spray oil. She also recommends Tristar, Safari or Bayer insecticide. Bayer is found in the blue bottle from Orchard Supply Hardware. When you do spray, never use it on a hot, humid or bright sunlit day. She prefers to spray late on a summer evening or early morning.

Mary, *thank you* for sharing your wealth of cultural information and for providing a wonderful plant table.



*C. harrisoniana* 'Makulu Queen'  
Yunor Peralta A1

*P.S. Sung Lee*, you need to be faster with your raffle ticket when your number is called. You are a little slow bringing your ticket to the raffle table. Maybe you need some faster shoes. Thanks for being slow, that orchid is beautiful.

- Brad



*Phal. fasciata* B Ungersma I2

# DVOS Holiday Party

**Date: December 17th**  
**In the large room at the Pleasant Hill**  
**Community Center**

**(The same building where we have our meetings)**

*Food assignments:*

*A-H Salad*

*I-O Hot Dish*

*P-Z Dessert*



*Gift Exchange*

*Plant Auction*



*Phrag Calurum*  
Eileen Jackson I1

**Kathy Barrett offers this find**  
detailing a study on Mt. Kinabalu in regards to serpentine soil  
and it's effect on *Paph. rothschildianum*.

### **Ecology of Paphiopedilum rothschildianum**

Rothschild's slipper orchid (*Paphiopedilum rothschildianum*),  
originating from Kinabalu Park on Borneo Island, is one of the  
most famous orchid species in the world. An expedition was  
organized to collect detailed habitat information.

The findings report and soil study can be seen at:

[http://www.researchgate.net/publication/272680050\\_Ecology\\_of\\_Paphiopedilum\\_rothschildianum\\_at\\_the\\_type\\_locality\\_in\\_Kinabalu\\_Park\\_\(Sabah\\_Malaysia\)](http://www.researchgate.net/publication/272680050_Ecology_of_Paphiopedilum_rothschildianum_at_the_type_locality_in_Kinabalu_Park_(Sabah_Malaysia))



*Onc. Noname* David Trebotich N3



# Awards DVOS October 2015

## Novice

- 1st *Psh. (Prosthechea) brassovola* Dave Trebotich  
2nd *Onc. Noname* Dave Trebotich  
3rd *Rlc. Hsinying Pachi Pachi 'Carmela'* Betty Chinn

## Intermediate

- 1st *Phrag. Calurum* Eileen Jackson  
2nd *Phal. fasciata* Barbara Ungersma  
3rd *Epy. Mable Kanda* Miki Ichiyangi

## Advanced

- 1st *C. harrisoniana 'Makulu Queen'* Yunor Peralta  
2nd *Comp. speciosa* Yunor Peralta  
3rd *Paph. henryanum* Liz Charlton

## Lancer Smith (species/under 6")

- Lemboglossom rossii* Jim Wert

California Sierra Nevada Judging Center  
Awards for March can be viewed at:

<http://www.csnjc.org>



Awards from October are on the web page. Yes, I update the Facebook page too, but the web page has the stats. <http://www.csnjc.org> It has the descriptions and measurements so you can compare/contrast your flower to the awarded ones. If you want. The Facebook page just has the pretty pictures. -Kathy Barrett



# REFRESHMENTS FOR THE NOVEMBER MEETING WILL BE PROVIDED BY:

## FOOD:

*(Please cut into servings)*

Renate Johnson  
Noble Emery  
Eileen Jackson  
Barbara Ungersma  
Betty Chinn



*Epicyclia Mable Kanda*  
Miki Ichiyangi I3

## DRINKS:

David Trebotich  
Claire Conger

## ICE:

*(Please bring in leak-proof container)*

Jim Wert



*Comparettia speciosa*  
Yunor Peralta A2

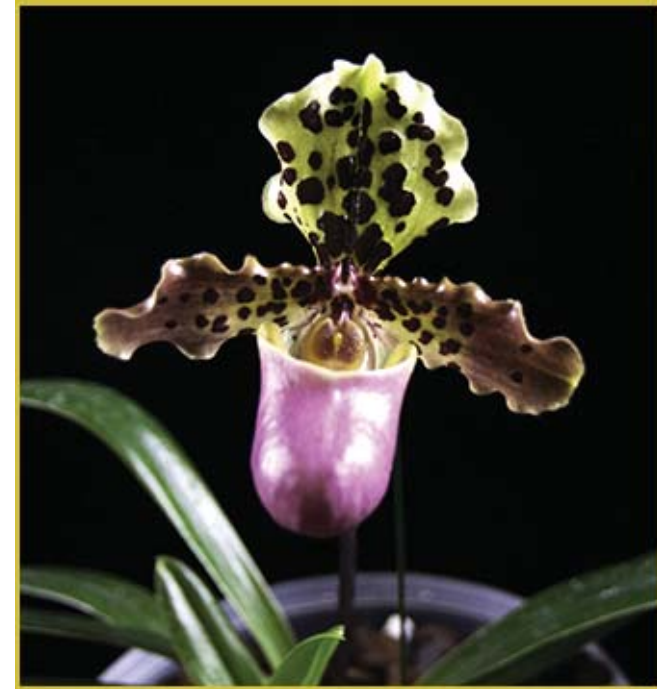
# Member Business

## 2016 Board of Directors Slate

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Board Member:	Judith Johnston
Board Member:	Jackie Krstulovich
Board Member:	Yunor Peralta
Board Member:	Greg Scown
Board Member:	Jim Wert
Immediate Past President:	Eileen Jackson

Barbara Ungersma will become our refreshment chair in 2016

Marcia Hart is our *Member Mentor*. Contact her at [MarHart2@aol.com](mailto: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.



*Paph. henryanum*  
Liz Charlton A3

## Group Purchase of Orchid Bark

The DVOS board is considering the purchase of a bulk order of bark. By splitting a large order among our membership, we are able to provide bark at a discount price. Members who are interested in this purchase should contact Sung (email is in your roster) to indicate your preferences regarding size, type (brand), and amount you want.



*Psh. brassavolae*  
David Trebotich N1



*Lemboglossom rossii* Jim Wert

**Yunor Peralta** has the following plants for sale.  
email: [mmmper@yahoo.com](mailto:mmmper@yahoo.com) phone: (510) 304-6206

*Laelia anceps* 'Ultimo' 4 bulbs, one 4 ft spike - \$100

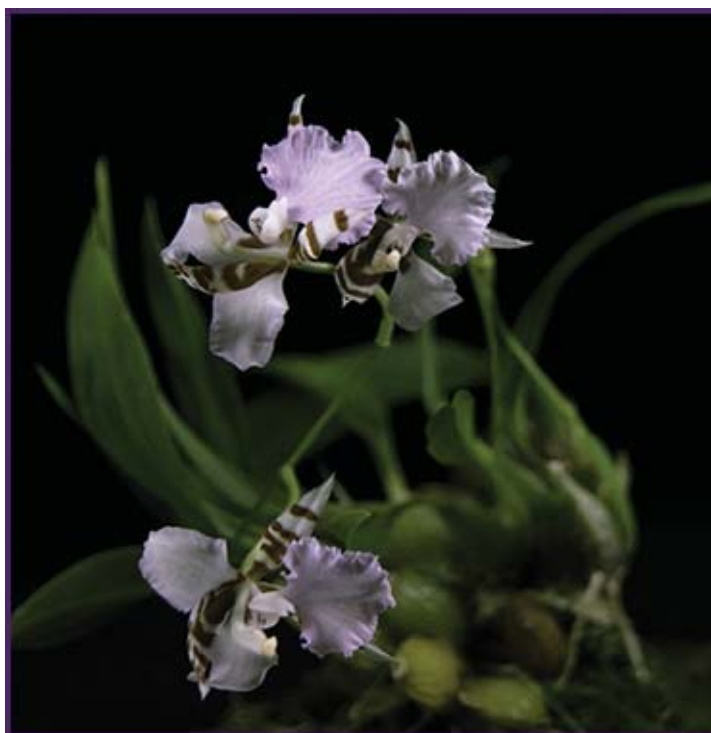
*Laelia anceps* 'Avalon' 4 bulbs, one 4 ft spike - \$100

*Laelia anceps*, 'Helen' 8 bulbs, 4 spikes, each about 2.5 ft - \$150

*Laelia anceps* 'Sanbar Marble King' 4 bulbs, one 2.5 ft spike - \$150

*Laelia anceps* 'Constellation' 4 bulbs, one 2 ft spike - \$100

*C. maxima* var. *alba* 'Kathleen' AM/AOS In bloom 3 bulbs - \$75



Original divisions in great shape. All the divisions come from the Santa Barbara Orchid Estate.

## **LOCAL SOCIETIES & EVENTS**

**San Francisco Orchid Society** - San Francisco County Fair Building, Golden Gate Park, 9th Avenue and Lincoln Way - First Tuesday each month 7:00 pm  
<http://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org>

**Napa Valley Orchid Society** - Napa Valley Senior Center located at 1500 Jefferson Street in Napa - Second Friday each month 6:45 pm - <http://nv-os.org>

**Sacramento Orchid Society** - Odd Fellows Hall, 1831 Howe Ave. (921-0569), Sacramento - First Wednesday each month 7:00 pm - <http://sacramentoorchids.org>

**Sonoma County Orchid Society** - Veterans Building, 1351 Maple Avenue, Santa Rosa (across from the Fairgrounds) Second Tuesday each month 6:45 pm  
<http://sonomaorchids.com>

**Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers** - San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo Third Friday Sept. to May 7:00 pm  
<http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com>

**Marin Orchid Society** - Tamalpais Room, San Rafael Corporate Center, 750 Lindero St., below 2nd St. - Fourth Tuesday each month except December- 6:30  
<http://www.marinorchidsociety.com>

**Orchid Society of California** - Lakeside Park Garden Center, 666 Bellevue Avenue Oakland - Third Monday 7:00 pm - <http://bearlyvisible.net/orchidsocietyca/>



## 2015 Santa Cruz Orchid Society Show and Sale

Soquel High School  
401 Soquel San Jose Rd.

Saturday, November 14  
9am-5pm

Sunday, November 15  
10am-4pm

Free Admission

Presented by the Santa Cruz  
Orchid Society and the  
Soquel High School FFA/ROP

[santacruzorchidsociety.org](http://santacruzorchidsociety.org)  
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# AMERICAN ORCHID SOCIETY FALL MEMBERS MEETING & SHOW

Hosted by the  
Northern Nevada Orchid Society

At the Atlantis  
Casino Resort  
and Spa  
3800 S Virginia St.  
Reno, NV 89502

## “Winning With Orchids” November 11-15, 2015



For more information:

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[aos2015@nnvos.org](mailto:aos2015@nnvos.org)

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*Bulb. Betty Kelepecz*  
Jeanette Bean

## Plants from our October Meeting

Pictures courtesy of Mark Dillard  
Layout courtesy Sung Lee





**Plant name:** *C. Bob Betts*  
**Grown by:** Sung Lee



**Plant name:** *C. forbesii* "Equilab"  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *C. maxima* "Brilliant Red"  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *C. harrisoniana* "Makula Queen"  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *Phrag. besseae*  
**Grown by:** Jim Wert



**Plant name:** *Bulb. Elizabeth Anne 'Jean'*  
**Grown by:**



**Plant name:** *Bulb. membranaceum*  
**Grown by:** Mark Dillard



**Plant name:** *Bulb Comberi*  
**Grown by:** Mark Dillard



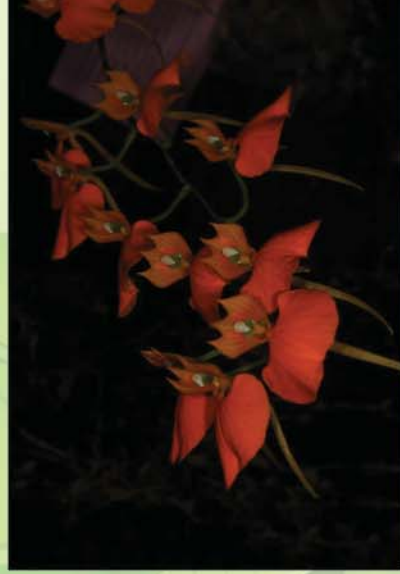
**Plant name:** *Papillonanthe longicomu*  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *Lembglossum rossi*  
**Grown by:** Jim Wert



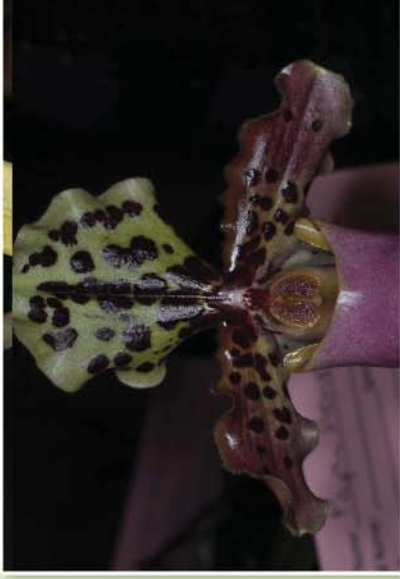
**Plant name:** *Psychopsiella limminghei*  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *Comporetia Speciosa*  
**Grown by:** Yunor Peralta



**Plant name:** *Paph. Hengduan Grace Helen*  
**Grown by:** Liz Charlton



**Plant name:** *Paph. henryanum*  
**Grown by:** Liz Charlton



**Plant name:** *Paph. Wossner Minigold*  
**Grown by:** Liz Charlton



**Plant name:** *Trichoglottis philippinensis*  
**Grown by:** Mark Dillard



**Plant name:** *Phal. fasciata*  
**Grown by:** Barbara Ungersma



**Plant name:** *Bc. Hawaii Stars 'Pink Lace'*  
**Grown by:** Eileen Jackson



**Plant name:** *Phrag. Calarum*  
**Grown by:** Eileen Jackson



**Plant name:** *Caulocattleya Chantilly Lace*  
**Grown by:** Miki Ichiyonagi



**Plant name:** *Epicyclia Mable Kanda*  
**Grown by:** Miki Ichiyonagi



**Plant name:** *R/c. (Silk Road x Goldenzelle)*  
**Grown by:** Renate Johnson



**Plant name:** *Prosthechea brassavolae*  
**Grown by:** David Trebotich



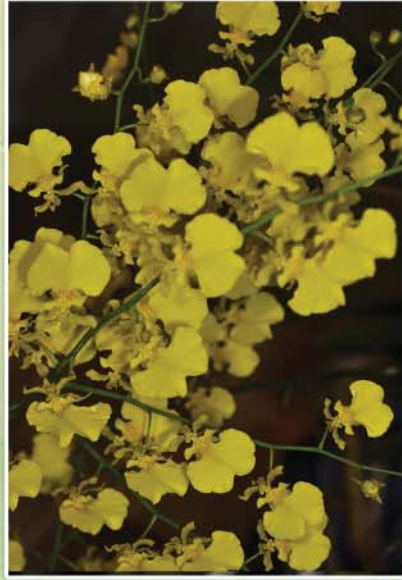
**Plant name:** *C. Crystelle Smith 'Aileen'*  
**Grown by:** Sung Lee



**Plant name:** Den. Hibiki  
**Grown by:** Dave Trebotich



**Plant name:** Rlc. Hsinying Pachi Pachi  
**Grown by:** Betty Chinn



**Plant name:** Onc. Noname  
**Grown by:** Dave Trebotich



**Plant name:** Rlc. Mahina Yahiho  
**Grown by:** Dave Trebotich



**Plant name:** Bulb. bracteatum  
**Grown by:** Mark Dillard



*Bulb. alagense*  
Mark Dillard



*Bulb. tingabarinum*  
Eileen Jackson



*Oncidesa Jiuobao Gold*  
Eileen Jackson



*Alcroa Hilo Ablaze 'Hilo Gold'*  
Phyllis Arthur

# DVOS Grower Divisions 2015

## Advanced

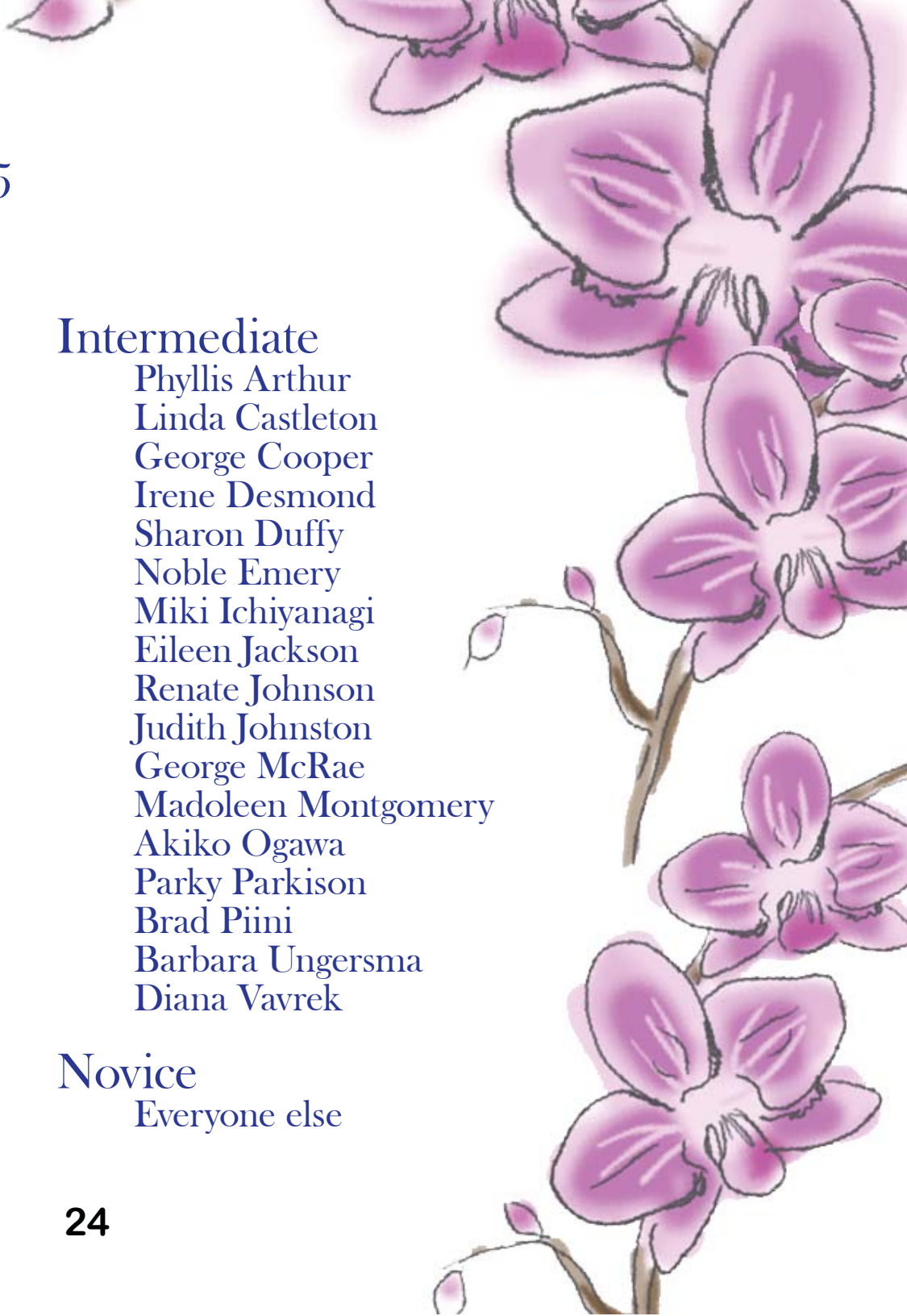
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Liz Charlton  
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Sue Davis  
Mark Dillard  
Cynthia Hill  
Carol Klonowski  
Sung Lee  
Bernice Lindner  
Ted and Nancy McClellan  
Yunor Peralta  
Cheryl Phillipson  
Tom Pickford  
Paul Reeve  
Dave 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





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