



San Gabriel Valley *Orchid* Hobbyists

Bulletin

July Meeting
Thursday, July 19, 2018
7:00 PM – Plant Judging
7:30 PM – General Session

Our regular meetings are held on the 3rd Thursday of the month at
Los Angeles County Arboretum & Botanic Garden,
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LAELIA PURPURATA, QUEEN OF THE CATTLEYS

Although I teach middle school kids for a living, one of my passions has always been plants. I began growing orchids as an offshoot from working at Longwood Gardens in Philadelphia just after college. From the very beginning it was all about Paphs, particularly awarded and select clones of historic importance, of which my collection numbers nearly 3000. While I love finding old, rare stepping stones in paph breeding, I also do a little hybridizing of my own, and growing up my own babies is a blast. I am an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society, and have served in various capacities with various orchid societies in California and on the East Coast. I love meeting other people who like orchids too, and doing so often finds me traveling to shows, vendors, and peoples' greenhouses to see the latest and greatest in new hybrids and to get the best orchid gossip. I like to be involved in plants as much as possible: in addition to Longwood, I've worked at the Smithsonian Institution tending to their orchids, and for years for the United States National Arboretum, collecting rare plants and documenting cultivated species and hybrids for their herbarium. In short, I really like plants.

For your meeting, I'll be sharing a presentation on *Laelia purpurata*, the Queen of the Cattleyas. Although large, these spectacular cattleyas grow well outside in Southern California, and with their myriad colors and a relatively unique blooming time, these are great plants for every collection, extending the blooming times in the Cattleya Alliance through July. With more and more *Laelia purpurata* clones and seedlings coming in from Brazil, and large grexes being bred in the United States, these stately, magnificent plants have seen resurgence in popularity of late, and with good reason! By the end of this presentation, you will have a new appreciation of the range of color forms of *Laelia purpurata* and its hybrids, as well as an appreciation of their beautiful flowers and ease-of-growth. **I will be providing a plant table of outdoor growing cattleyas, including plants of *Laelia purpurata* and its hybrids.**

2018 SGVOH Annual Orchid Auction

Our Annual Fundraiser this year again was very successful. Much preplanning by our board members and many society volunteers produced a successful undertaking which will help in planning activities and speakers for the coming year. We were quite pleased with such a variety of beautiful hybrids and species donated by vendors and club members. Many plants were in full bloom.

Vendors donate, not usually out of the goodness of their hearts, but because they see it as an investment in us. They expect that they will get a **'return on investment'** by having us make purchases from them. **When we make a purchase from a donor vendor, it is essential that we identify ourselves as members of San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists and thank them for their donations to the society.** Thank you letters were given to vendors, members, and non-members that donated. Acknowledgement will be posted on our SGVOH website and listed on the insert in the Bulletin.

Remember that a successful auction depends upon an excellent array of plants, strong auctioneers, and man hours of donated time, and interested bidders. We all owe our greatest thanks to our excellent auctioneer, member **Peter Lin**. He did an excellent job of insuring that the flow went smoothly and fairly.

Prior to the auction itself, we were fortunate to have **Lucy Arlotti, Dann Dunst, Jim Gomes, Greg Orozco, Lana Tripathi, and Joe Vargas** collect donations from vendors. We would also like to thank member donors for the excellent plants they donated: **Lucy Arlotti, Dann Dunst, and David Campen**.

Of course at the auction itself, we had several Members volunteer for specific functions, from receiving plant donations (**Linda & Jim**), registering bidders (**Lucy**), logging sales (**David & Jim**), cashiers (**Lucy**), and Thanks to all of you who helped in so many ways. A special thanks to **Greg Orozco, Jim Gomes and Gordon Quan** for setting up tables & chairs. Thanks to **Greg Orozco and Lynn McIlwain** for arranging the plants by Genera. Also a special thanks for **Linda Peterson, Lana Tripathi and Greg Orozco** for managing the plant hotel. Thanks to **Toby and Jess** for being runners, **Jim Herman** for recording prices on items. It is hoped that the non-participating society members appreciate these actions and recognize that we always need volunteers in order to keep our society healthy and functioning in a manner that benefits all club members.

Thanks to all of you for making our 2018 Auction a
SUCCESS.

The President's Message

I would like to thank all of the people who helped to make our annual fund raiser a success for another year. A special thank you to **Jim Gomes** who without all of his work and follow up phone calls to our donors would any of this be possible. A big thanks to every one who picked up plants and baby sat them until auction night, and a special thank you to **Peter Lin** for doing a great job as our auctioneer again this year. Thanks to all of you who attended, purchased plants and hopefully went home with some bargains. This fund raiser is what keeps us going and able to bring you great speakers and programs through out the year. We can not forget to thank all of our donors who help us keep going. Hope to see you all in Santa Barbara.

Greg Orozco
President

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2018 Roster

The SGVOH 2018 Roster has been printed and you may pick one up at the membership desk (**Dann Dunst**) at the July meeting.

One per membership

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Bulletin Deadline: Those wishing to place announcements in the bulletin should get the information to the editor, **Jim Gomes** (626)818-1859 or jim.gomes@att.net, by the Friday following the fourth Thursday of the month.

Vendors Supporting SGVOH 2018 Annual Auction

Remember them when you shop,
Mention you are a member of **San Gabriel Valley Orchid Hobbyists**,
& **Thank** them so they will continue their support

Andy's Orchids

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Encinitas, CA 92024

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2043 Desire Ave
Rowland Hgts, CA 91748

Cal-Orchids, Inc.

1251 Orchid Dr
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

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170 South Nardo Ave
Solano Beach, CA 92075

Diamond Orchids

www.diamondorchids.com

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3450 Via Real
Carpenteria, CA 92013

Gubler Orchids

2200 Belfield Blvd.
Landers, CA 92285

Huntington Library & Botanical Gardens

1151 Oxford Road
San Marino, CA 91108

Kalapana Tropicals

PO Box 527
Kurtistown, HI 96760

Kelly's Korner Orchid Supplies

PO Box 539
Milford, NH 03055

Los Angeles County Arboretum

301 N Baldwin
Arcadia, CA 91006

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Lakewood, CA 90713

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Montclair, CA 91763

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16057 Nordoff St
North Hills, CA 91343

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Carpenteria, CA 92013

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Homestead, FL 33030

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San Gabriel, CA 91776

Santa Barbara Orchid Estates

1250 Orchid Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93111

Seattle Orchids

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Seattle, WA

Sorella Orchids

3793 Dufau Rd
Oxnard, CA 93033

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Vista, CA 92083-7434

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PO Box 1249
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Carpenteria, CA 92013

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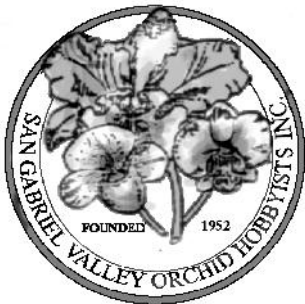
July 13 – 15
Santa Barbara Orchid Estate
Open House
1250 Orchid Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93111
www.sborchid.com

July 13 – 15
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Summer Hummer Sale
1251 Orchid Drive
Santa Barbara, CA 93111
www.calorchid.com

September 15 – 16
South Bay Orchid Society
Orchid Show & Sale
South Coast Botanic Garden
26300 Crenshaw Blvd.
Palos Verdes, CA
www.southbayorchidsociety.com

September 29 – 30
Fascination of Orchids
International Show & Sale
South Coast Plaza Village
1621 West Sunflower
Santa Ana, CA 92704
www.fascinationoforchids.com

The next **Board Meeting** will be held at 7 PM on **Thursday, July 26**, at the LA County Arboretum. Board members unable to attend should notify **Jim Gomes** ((626) 577-7220 or jim.gomes@att.net).



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