



# SCOS

## June 5th Meeting

This month's speaker is Francisco Miranda. He will be speaking on "Rupicolous Orchids". Refer to page 2 for more details.

We will also be doing a greenhouse tour June 20 to Dan Newman's Hanging Gardens and another TBD greenhouse. This tour is in lieu of our July meeting which would fall on the July 4<sup>th</sup> weekend.

### Dinner with the Speaker:

Dinner will be at Chinese Village on Capitola Rd., Capitola at 5:30. Please contact Vicky Smith by Thursday, June. 4 if you plan to attend at 831-336-2688 or [orchids@cruzio.com](mailto:orchids@cruzio.com). Please put "Dinner with the Speaker" as the subject.

The **Opportunity table:** Provided by Francisco Miranda

**Refreshments for this month to be provided by:** The Board will provide refreshments. Thank you!

## Update on the Board

Lupe Allen has resigned from the Board. We'd like to thank Lupe for her years of service as Secretary. She will be missed! Bruce Hill has agreed to fill the secretary position. If anyone is interested in coming on to the Board as a Director please talk to Vicky, Bruce, Linda, or Lillian.

## Virus Test Kits

We still have virus test kits available. They will be expiring soon so the Board has decided to sell them for half price! That's \$2.50 per test, a good bargain! They will be available at the next meeting.

## Meeting Information

**WHEN:** First Friday of the month

**TIME:** 7:30 pm

**PLACE:** Live Oak Grange Hall  
1900 17<sup>th</sup> Ave  
Santa Cruz, CA

## Board Members

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## *Rupicolous Orchids by Francisco Miranda*



There is a multitude of rocky habitats in Brazil, and on most of them orchids can be found. Although most people associate rupicolous orchids with the rock-growing laelias on the mountains, and indeed several of them grow like this, there are many many other types of orchids growing under these conditions. In fact, rocky habitats are by no means restricted to the mountains and thus this is a very interesting subject both by their type, range and orchid types as shown here with *Encyclia albioxantha*.

### *Speaker Bio*

Francisco is a well know taxonomist, with a specialty in Brazilian native Laelias, and a naturalist who has traveled extensively to study orchids in their natural environments. Since 1988, he has been speaking at international orchid- related events and meetings in the US, Canada, Brazil and elsewhere.

With his wife Maria Cristina, he ran Boa Vista Orchids in Brazil from 1986. After they moved to the US they opened Miranda Orchids in 1999. Their nursery specializes in growing mainly selected Cattleya-alliance species – most are produced in their own lab from their extensive collection of stud plants and additional plants are imported from select sources in Brazil to increase variety and novelty and keep up with the latest breeding trends in Brazil.

## General Meeting Questionnaire

Over the next several months the Board will be conducting a survey to get member input on various aspects of the society, such as the opportunity table, meeting format, speaker topics, etc. We will be conducting the survey at the meetings but will include the survey question for the month in the newsletter so members that can't attend the meeting can still provide feedback by sending the form to our society post office box, dropping it off at the next meeting or just give to one of the Board members. We really want our members to get the most out of their membership and look forward to coming to the meetings.

## Orchid Conservation

If anyone is interested in an update on the 1% for Orchid Conservation project, update 30 is now available online at <http://www.orchidconservationcoalition.org/update/30.html>.

## May Meeting Highlights

The repotting clinic was a great success! A fun time was had by all. We got our hands dirty as we cleaned our orchids and put them in fresh bark mix and clean pots. I think we all learned a few things thanks to Vicky and Wayne and felt some accomplishment getting several orchids repotted. I got so involved with repotting plants and listening to the discussions of others with questions about their plants, I forgot to take pictures of everyone. A few members did bring in some plants for show and tell, so I snapped a few pictures of them for your enjoyment.

### Show and Tell



Cymb. Sweet Devan 'Sweet'



Cymb. Sinense album x Via Verde Dawn



Cymb. Peppercuss. Pfeiffer Falls x Pinata 'San Bar Spots' AOS/CSA



Enc. Alata. Lc. Trick or Treat



Cymb. Tiger Moth



Asctm. Ampullaceum 'Orange' x self



Denise Polk, Fred Valentine, and Marnie Goodfriend listen to Show and Tell



Bridget Binko



Vicky Smith



Lillian Taft

## Upcoming Events

### SCOS programs:

July no meeting: Greenhouse tour in June is in lieu of the meeting

Proposed greenhouse tour June 20 to Dan Newman's and another TBD greenhouse.

August 7: Silent Auction/Ice Cream Social

September 4: Scott Collins on Odonts

October 2 : Ron Parsons

November 6 - 8: Show and Sale

December 4: Holiday Party

### Local Events:

June 5 – 7: San Jose Orchid Exhibition and Wine Tasting. \$10 Special Preview Night Friday 5:30 – 9:30 pm. \$5 Sat. & Sun. 9am – 5 pm. Wine Garden \$10 Fri – Sun. Winchester Mystery House, 525 S. Winchester Blvd., San Jose, CA 95128. See attached flyer.

June 13: Orchid Digest Speaker's Day Orchid Potpourri. 12:30 – 8:00 pm. Ahmanson Classroom, Botanical Center at the Huntington Library, Art Collections & Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA. Registration: \$65 (\$80 at the door). Register on-line at [www.orchiddigest.org](http://www.orchiddigest.org) or contact Simone Friend, [orchidsimonef@aol.com](mailto:orchidsimonef@aol.com). See attached flyer.

**Nov. 14 -15: SCOS Show and Sale. Mark your calendars!**

### AOS Webinars:

June 24: Mini Phalaenopsis Breeding Trends with Peter Lin. 5:30 – 6:30 PST. For AOS members only. To register go to this link. <https://www.aos.org/default.aspx?id=509>

July 21: Neofinitia with Cheryl Erins. 5:30 – 6:30 PST. For AOS members only. To register go to this link. <https://www.aos.org/default.aspx?id=509>

PRERECORDED WEBINARS AVAILABLE TO EVERYONE (INCLUDING NONMEMBERS) AT WWW.AOS.ORG

(Click on the upper Webinar tab to access these):

Introduction: Orchids and Their Culture -Greg Allikas

Orchids Plus: AOS' Digital Orchid Awards Program -Greg Filter

Greenhouse Chat, July -Ron McHatton

Greenhouse Chat, August -Ron McHatton

It's All About the Roots -John Salventi

Visiting a Rainbow: A Slice of Life from the Reed- Stemmed Epidendrums -Cheryl Erins

Greenhouse Chat, February -Ron McHatton



## Orchid Digest Speakers' Day Orchid Potpourri

**Join us for a wonderful day!**

**The 13th Annual Orchid Digest Speakers' Day**

**June 13, 2015 from 12:30 - 8:00 pm**

**Ahmanson Classroom, Botanical Center at the Huntington  
Library, Art Collections & Botanical Gardens, San Marino, CA**

Steve Beckendorf will take you to the cloud forests of Peru, Harold Koopowitz and Steve Hampson to the primary forests of Madagascar. Peter Lin will share some insights on what's trending in Phalaenopsis hybridizing and Marc Hachadourian will give you some hints regarding orchids you might not want to grow! The program will conclude with a glimpse at orchids from a very different perspective: through the eye of award-winning botanical artist Carol Woodin.

In addition to outstanding lectures,

- there will be orchids for sale from Andy's Orchids, Big Leaf Orchids, Cal Orchid, and Sunset Valley Orchids.
- Bring in your orchids for AOS judging (10:00), and in the afternoon to display and for ribbon judging.
- There will be a silent auction, and time to catch up with friends during the happy hour and dinner.

On top of all of this, the registration includes admission to the wonderful Huntington Library, Art Collections and Botanical Gardens.

**This is one orchid experience you won't want to miss!**

**Register on-line: [www.orchiddigest.org](http://www.orchiddigest.org) or  
contact Simone Friend, [orchidsimonef@aol.com](mailto:orchidsimonef@aol.com).**

**Registration: \$65 (\$80 at the door).**

**Space is limited so please register early.**

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Friday	Saturday	Sunday
June 5	June 6	June 7
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**PREVIEW NIGHT - FRIDAY**  
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Orchid Information: [RealOrchidGrowers.com](http://RealOrchidGrowers.com)





13 off Mansion or Grand Estate Tour for up to 6 guest. Only valid on June 5<sup>th</sup>, 6<sup>th</sup> and 7<sup>th</sup> 2015. Not valid with other offers, night events, group tours or online purchases.

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