



June 2011

Orchid Society of Coral Gables

Tuesday, June 7, 2011 Meeting

Annual Orchid Auction!

Preview 6:45 pm, 7:00 pm Auction



It's that time again! Time for our Annual Orchid Auction!

This is one meeting you don't want to miss...great orchids, great prices, great food, great friends, *it's all great!*

We have collected orchids from local growers, national growers, and, even, international growers! Of course, don't forget those wonderful divisions and plants from our members! There will be more than enough orchids for everyone to get a good deal on at least one plant - and more!



Karl and Lou getting those plants out there!

Besides your enthusiasm and your checkbook, we ask each member to bring a box for our plant holding area and something for our refreshment table. And, of course, bring your friends and neighbors!

This is a great time to bring your friends and introduce them to orchids and the society. If they join at the auction, they get a free plant! And then they can add to their collection during the auction...instant obsession!

Additionally, there are still a few jobs open during the auction. We can use recorders, runners, holding area helpers, and kitchen help. Call Melana at 760-212-8919 (cell) if you can give us a hand.

This is an excellent way to help support your Society. Help out, bring food, buy plants - it's all great! **See**

you at the Auction!



Jill explaining how it works and showing off the wondrous display of plants for



Packed house at last year's auction!

Check out the Auction List and Pictures of Auction Orchids ONLINE at oscgoline.org!

We have a listing of all the orchids we have collected so far and also a picture list of the plants so you can have an indication of what will be up on the block for sale.

Most of the pictures are what the blooms will look like when the plant flowers, not what is blooming now. We do, however, have some pictures of the actual plants in bloom now!

If you haven't checked out our website, please do. It is full of interesting information and loads of great pictures of members plants and more!

Jean Wilson, our webmaster, has done an outstanding job and deserves a huge amount of credit for this work. Yea, Jean!

OSCGONLINE.ORG
Check it out!



Other Meetings:

South Dade Society: Fri, June 3
Pan AM Orchid Society: Tues, June 21
SFOS Meeting: Wed, June 15
AOS Judging at Fairchild: Saturday, June 18
COS Meeting: Mon, June 20
East Everglades Meeting: Tues, June 28

Upcoming Events:

COS Symposium - Saturday, July 24

Orchid Society of Coral Gables Board Members

President	Melana Davison
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- Orchid related articles and notices for our newsletter are welcome. (Deadline third Monday of the month). The views and opinions expressed in this newsletter are those of the editors and writers and do not reflect OSCG policy or endorsement.

**The Orchid Society of
Coral Gables meets the first
Tuesday of each month in
the Garden Room of the
beautiful Fairchild Tropical
Botanic Garden.**



**Beginner's Culture Class starts at 6:45 pm
and the General Meeting begin at 7:30 pm
and include excellent speakers, superb silent
auctions, exciting raffles, sumptuous refresh-
ments, and great camaraderie!**

**Sounds good? Then come and join us for
an evening of education and fun! Call any of
the board members listed for more informa-
tion. We'd love for you to join us and learn
about the orchids we are all love!**

**Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden is lo-
cated at 10901 Old Cutler Road, Coral
Gables. See www.fairchildgarden.org for map
and directions.**



A Message from the President

Hello, Dear Members!

What are you doing this weekend? How about potting up a division or two and donating it to our auction? Plants from our members are an exciting addition and are very well received by the audience. And it all goes to a good cause - Our Society!

Our Annual Auction is a very important event in the economic life of our Society. I know, you've heard it all before. But it is a fact of life in societies - we need attendance at our auction to help pay the bills!

There are several things you can do to help. First, Donate your time to help during the auction. The more people we have working, the less we all have to work! If we have enough people helping us, we can work in shifts and no one has to work the whole time.

Second, Donate a plant or division to the Auction. Everyone loves to purchase divisions of other members' successful orchid plants. Repot a plant this weekend, take a division, and bring it to the Auction on Tuesday night. If you can, please let Jean Wilson know ahead of time what you are bringing so she can number it. She is our official Plant Recorder and every plant in the Auction will have a number. Also, please make sure the division is properly tagged with a name so the purchaser will remember what they just bought! You can reach Jean at jpwils@aol.com or 305-253-3391.

And Lastly, and possibly most important, Please bring a friend, relative or neighbor to the Auction with you! The more people we have, the more plants will be sold, and the better the Society will be. This is a good time to introduce your friends to our wonderful Society, and they will be welcomed with open arms!

Our raffles and this Auction support the exciting meetings and events we have. The costs of holding our meetings include the room rental, speakers fees, raffle table plants, and our monthly dinner. In addition, our

Don't forget to bring a box to take home your purchases in! And if you can, bring a spare for someone else....



Holiday Party is the best around with fantastic gift plants. Just like any household or business, we need to have some way to cover these expenses. Our auction is the main source of our income, so you can easily see how important it is to our Society. Bring a friend, bring a dish, and bring the spirit of the Orchid Society of Coral Gables to life by bidding on our plants!

See you at the Auction and Happy Bidding!

Melana Davison

I would also like to thank everyone on the board and all the society members who have made my last two years as President a very enjoyable and rewarding endeavor. My feelings toward my "orchid family" are great and I treasure the time I get to spend at each meeting with all of you. Thank you all for your great support!

Please Note: There will be no Beginner's Class, No Silent Auction, and No Show and Tell this month due to the Auction.

(Pictures and Info taken at the May Show and Tell will be in the July newsletter!)

Special Offering at our Auction - A Fully Functional Subscription of OrchidWiz, Retailing for \$259



Alex Maximiano, creator of OrchidWiz, has give the Society a full Subscription of OrchidWiz to help us raise funds. This is a great opportunity for any member to get this excellent program at reduced pricing. Starting bid will be \$100, that is less than half of the retail price of \$259! Don't miss this deal!

What is OrchidWiz Encyclopedia and Journal?

OrchidWiz is an easy-to-use software application for orchid research, discovery and to help growers keep track of their orchids. The program contains extensive information on approximately 138,000 hybrids and 29,000 species. It was designed with three primary goals in mind: (1) Ease-of-use; (2) Accuracy; and (3) Completeness.

OrchidWiz users do not need to know how a database works. The program is so intuitive that anyone who knows how to use a computer mouse can benefit from it. Currently there are thousands of OrchidWiz aficionados in six continents and 45 countries. Many world-class institutions use OrchidWiz for their basic research needs, including Selby Gardens, U.S. Fish and Wildlife, the U.S. Botanic Garden, the Smithsonian Greenhouse and the Singapore Botanic Gardens. More than 200 orchid nurseries and 330 American Orchid Society judges have licensed OrchidWiz, another testimony to its breadth and accuracy.

OrchidWiz relies on public sources of data such as hybrid registrations and award listings. In addition, over 100 volunteers contribute to OrchidWiz by providing photos and various types of information on orchids such as published photo references; pronunciation tips; etc. To date, volunteers have contributed about 45,000 digital photos.

Founded a little over two years ago, OrchidWiz is already in its 6th version. A new version comes out every year and volunteers have a big say over what features go in. The program has become the primary reference work for all orchid aficionados, from orchid experts to hobbyists.

Slate of Officers for the 2011-2012 Year Orchid Society of Coral Gables

At the May general meeting the slate of officers for the 2011-2012 year were presented. This slate will be voted on at the June general meeting, before our auction. If there are any nominations from the members they may be presented and voted on at this time. The Society would like to thank the nominating committee consisting of JoAnn Forbes, Jill Sidran, and Suzanne Williamson, for all their work in recommending the excellent slate. We thank JoAnn, Jill and Suzanne for their efforts. They present the following slate:

President:	Jim Davison
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C. labiata

✓ Lindl., Coll. Bot.: t. 33 (1824).

Genus: **Cattleya (C)**
 Group: **Cattleyas, etc. (Laeliinae)**
 Awards: 23 Flwrs/Stem: 3.3
 F1 Offspring: 377 Nat Spr: 14.4 cm.
 Progeny: 15,618

Awards Names Images
F1 Offsp. Genus Img Refs
My Plant Wish List

Find Cross Cross with (name without genus): **Go!**

Species
Species Cultivate Sunlight Prog / %

Orchid Search page



(Click image to expand.)

Cattleya labiata Close

C. labiata [A. Bachrach] C. labiata [Selby] C. labiata [L. Cinert]
 C. labiata [L. Cinert] C. labiata [E. Hunt] C. labiata [A. Bachrach]

Full-color photos, over 45,000 of them!

Lots of culture information including temperature, rainfall, fertilizer, etc. and much,

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Orchid Search **Cultivation**

Cultivation requirements for "Cattleya labiata" by Charles Baker Close

Clear Days: Northern Hemisphere

Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Days Clear @ 10AM	1	1	2	3	7	6	2	3	1	4	1	0

Temperatures (in Fahrenheit): Northern Hemisphere

Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Avg Max	72	73	77	81	84	86	85	85	84	81	77	73
Avg Min	60	58	51	52	52	53	53	54	54	53	52	51
Diurnal Range												

Precipitation and Humidity: Northern Hemisphere

Month	Feb	Mar	Apr	May	Jun	Jul	Aug	Sep	Oct	Nov	Dec	
Rain (Inches)	5.8	5.1	1.7	0.8	1.2	1.5	1.1	2.5	4.4	4	7.4	10

CLIMATE: Station #82893, Garanhuns, Brazil, Lat. 8.9S, Long. 36.5W, at 2782 ft. (848 m). The record high is 97F (36C), and the record low is 52F (11C). -- Charles Baker (www.orchidculture.com)

Light Temperatures Humidity Fertilizer Rest Media Miscellaneous Source Next Tab

LIGHT: 2500-3500 fc. Plants may adapt to brighter conditions, particularly if light is increased gradually. Strong air movement should be provided at all times, especially when light is high. -- Charles Baker (www.orchidculture.com)

Species Sunlight



Sunday
July 24, 2011
8 am to 4 pm

Coalition for Orchid Species *Symposium*

Fairchild Tropical Botanic Garden
In the Garden Room
10901 Old Cutler Road
Coral Gables, FL

Five Fantastic Speakers:

- Peter Lin, Big Leaf Orchids, - Phalaenopsis Species**
Greg Allikas, Orchidworks.com, AOS Photographer -
Four Pairs of Eight of a Kind: The Confused Bifoliate
Prem Subrahmanyam, FLNativeOrchids.com -
Orchids in Our Backyard: Florida's Wild Orchids
Roy Tokunaga, H&R Nurseries, AOS Judge -
Dendrobium Species: Growing and Flowering
Specimen Plants
Fred Clarke, Sunset Valley Orchids, AOS Judge -
The Species of Catasetum, Cycnoches, & Mormodes

Tickets:

\$45.00 for COS members
\$50.00 for non-COS members
Price includes lectures, raffles,
continental breakfast,
and buffet lunch.

Orchid sales will be available during the day,
as well as AOS judging.

Contact Erna Maxwell at 305-382-3055 or emaxwell6635@bellsouth.net to reserve your space now!

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Ascda. Ben's Delight



V. Banjong Sky Blue



V. Robert's Delight '2000'

From the Membership Chair!

Last Call for renewing your membership before the new roster comes out! All memberships except those begun this year will renew in May. The new Roster will be distributed at the July meeting. If you want to be included in the roster, please renew your membership right away. If you are unsure if you owe, see me at a meeting.

I know that some things may seem redundant, especially to those of you who have been members for a long time, but it is important that we make sure we have the correct information for everyone, especially for the roster and the newsletter.

Print out your renewal form on the next page, fill it out, and bring it to the meeting with your renewal fees.

Please make sure it is legible, especially your email address.



Thank you, and I'll see you at the meeting!
Pat Chen Yin,



Orchid Society of Coral Gable Membership/Renewal Application

DATE: _____ Membership No. _____

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

_____ Zip Code _____

PHONE:(Home) _____ (other) _____

Email: (Important!) _____

PRINT CLEARLY:

Birthday: _____ (month/date)

Business name _____ Occupation _____

American Orchid Society member? _____ Expiration date: _____

I would like to become involved and assist with the following: (Please check at least one.)

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Phone Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Refreshments | <input type="checkbox"/> Newsletter |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Orchid Shows (2 per year) | <input type="checkbox"/> Auction | <input type="checkbox"/> Public Relations |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Library | <input type="checkbox"/> Welcoming Committee | <input type="checkbox"/> Membership Committee |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Other _____ | | |

Do you consider yourself a beginning, intermediate or advanced orchid grower (circle one)

Have you taken any orchid culture classes? ____ Where _____

Do you have any feedback on club programs from this year or any ideas for programs you would like to have for next year? email a board member or Jean at jpwils@aol.com

(Dues are: \$20 single membership / \$30 couple - same household)

****MEETINGS ARE HELD ON THE FIRST TUESDAY OF EACH MONTH AT 7:30 PM IN THE GARDEN ROOM AT FAIRCHILD TROPICAL GARDENS, SOUTH ENTRANCE ****

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Don't miss next month's meeting!!!

Tuesday, July 5

Beginner's Class, 6:45 pm
General Meeting, 7:30 pm

at
Fairchild Tropical botanical Garden
10901 Old Cutler Road
South Entrance