

Central Ohio Orchid Society Reporter



Newsletter Editor: Melissa Lee February 2018

February Meeting Speaker – Jan Yates

Topic: "Orchid Conservation"

Thursday, February 15th at Franklin Park Conservatory
Beginner's Corner 7:30pm – Meeting starts at 8pm

For our February meeting, Jan Yates will speak on the important topic of Orchid Conservation. Please come to learn about efforts to ensure these endangered treasures are around for generations to come!

Jan Yates is an accredited AOS judge and past chair of the Cincinnati Judging Center. She has been growing orchids off and on since 1976; currently she has about 200 plants under lights in her basement. The orchids summer outside in a lath house. About 20 years ago, Jan started helping other Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society members setting up exhibits. Her interest in going to regional orchid shows gradually expanded and eventually she decided to become an American Orchid Society judge.

Jan is active in her local society, setting up exhibits, doing an occasional program and going on hikes in the region looking at orchids in the wild, or as wild as it gets here in the Midwest! Now that Jan is retired, she is trying to expand that last activity, hiking with friends she has made from GCOS and other fellow orchid lovers.

Note: Due to Jan's travel, we will not have a speaker's dinner. We will have a member's plant sale (reminder, 20% of all proceeds due to our treasurer).

President's Message

Happy February! We had an informative meeting in January and I hope you all had fun and learned some new orchid growing tips. We more great programs planned for this year! Some great vendors will also be coming to speak, which is a great way to pick up rare and special orchids!

In my January president's message, I talked about our four goals for this year: improving communication, executing our business efficiently, allowing you to volunteer and participate in the way you prefer, and setting our society up for future success through mentoring and teaching. For the next couple months I want to talk about the last two—participation and teaching/mentoring.

Did you know that our society's success doesn't just affect us, it impacts other societies and even the AOS, the American Orchid Society. Our society is part of an inter-connected orchid community made up of growers, societies, judges, and vendors.

- 1) Growers and societies host orchid shows for their local community
- 2) Neighboring societies attend and display plants in each other's shows
- 3) Shows are AOS-sanctioned venues for judging
- 4) Judging fees support the AOS
- 5) And finally, growers apprentice to become new judges

So what does this all mean to you? It means that when you participate in these activities (such as #2, setting up displays at other society's shows), you are taking part in the broader orchid community!

This also means we need your help! As Ken Mettler mentioned at our recent meeting we have some upcoming shows and need volunteers to set up. Ken will help you through every step—it's easy! Please talk with him at our February meeting to let him know you can help.

Finally, a special THANK YOU to everyone who has volunteered at the Orchid Sundays event at Franklin Park Conservatory!

2018 COOS Calendar of Meeting and Events

Thursday, January 18	Meeting: Scott Bever & Member Grow Spaces	
Thursday, February 15	Meeting: Jan Yates of the Cincinnati Judging	
	Center – Orchid Conservation	
Thursday, March 15	Repotting Clinic – Part 1	
	Demonstration and Discussion	
Apr 7-8	Annual Spring Show, Franklin Park Conservatory	
Thursday, April 19	Janet Lamborn of Agdia – Orchid Virus Testing	
May 10* NOTE NEW MEETING DAY, second	Brenda Oviatt of Botanica Ltd	
Thursday in May		
Thursday June 21	Repotting Clinic Part 2 – Bring in plants, media	
	and pots and repot with assistance from more	
	experienced members	
July (Date TBD)	Annual COOS Picnic	
August – No Meeting		
Thursday, September 20	Stephen Benjamin of the Cincinnati Judging	
	Center- Cattleyas	
Thursday, October 18	Edgar Stehli – Oncidiums and Tolumnias	
Thursday, November 15	Annual Pot Luck and Awards Banquet	
December – No Meeting		

Upcoming Shows

Feb 16-18	Miami Valley Orchid Society
	Cox Arboretum, Dayton
March 2-4	Greater Akron Orchid Society
	Donzell's Flower and Garden Center, Akron
March 9-11	Greater Cincinnati Orchid Society
	Krohn Conservatory, Cincinnati
April 7-9	Central Ohio Orchid Society
	Franklin Park Conservatory
April 27-39	Mid America Orchid Congress
	Strongsville, Ohio



COOS Board Members/Appointed Chairs

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Show Table Results: January 2018

Plant of the Month:		
Tom Stinson	Dendrobium Hybrid	
Cattleya Hybrids:		
David & Edna Markley	Blc. Ports of Fortune 'Dragon King'	1st
David & Edna Markley	Bepi. Pheonix 'Kona'	2nd
Ken Mettler	Blc. Monilani rainbow	3rd
Oncidiae -Species and Hybrids :		
Susan Allison	Oncidium onustum	1st
Tom Stinson	Milt. Renee Komoda	2nd
David & Edna Markley	Oncidium Sharry Baby 'Sweet Fragrance'	3rd
Paphiopedilum -Species and Hybrids :		
David & Edna Markley	Paph (Diana Bird x Luther Pass) Pisgah	1st
	x Paph Winston Churchill 'Pisgah'	
David & Edna Markley	Paph. Laurencium 'alba' x Paph Maudiae 'Green'	2nd
Tom Stinson	Paph (Red Glory x Raisin Eyes)	3rd
Dendrobium-Species and Hybrids :		
Tom Stinson	Dendrobium Hybrid	1st
David & Edna Markley	Dendrobium Andree Miller	2nd
David & Edna Markley	Dendrobium Roy Tokunaga	2nd
Tennis Maynard	Dendrobium glomeratum	3rd
Other:		
Tennis Maynard	Angraecum leonis	1st
Tom Stinson	Masd. Peach Allure	2nd
Tennis Maynard	Opsistylis Mem. Mary Nattrass	3rd