

# New Orleans Orchid Society's Newsletter



## February 2024

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### Meeting Notice:

Tuesday, February 20, 2024 6:30pm  
Lakeview Presbyterian Church  
5914 Canal Blvd, New Orleans, LA

### Program:

Live Auction of Plants and Books

### Orchid Basics: Light



## President's Message

Happy Mardi Gras 2024! I hope everyone enjoyed the season no matter how you chose to celebrate! As we move into the new year, we are looking at various changes to the society, so I ask for your patience and most importantly, your feedback! A non-profit organization is only as strong as its members, and our society should reflect that. I am asking you to consider playing a larger role in the society. We need your help! Whether it's bringing refreshments, offering your expertise as a presenter or offering to put up or take down our exhibit at a show, WE NEED YOU!! No experience is necessary!! We have many veterans of the society who are happy to share their knowledge and as we move forward, I urge you to partake of their expertise.

Congratulations to Gulf Coast Orchid Society Janet Olier and her team for another fabulous orchid show! If you weren't able to attend, there were great exhibits, including ours, which garnered a second place ribbon. Individual ribbons are referenced elsewhere in the newsletter! We were well represented!

Happy Growing!! See you Tuesday!

*Denise Emmer*

## Orchid Basics

As we discussed at the January meeting we are expanding Orchid Basics! Starting with the February 20th meeting we will hold Orchid Basics in the main meeting hall from 6:30-6:50PM. We will have 3 stations, each facilitated by one of our own experts, where you can ask questions and learn about the month's Orchid Basics Topic. The topic for February is LIGHT. Our own student Judge Nancy Dempsey will discuss tools that are available to help you gauge light levels. Additionally, Shea Trahan will show us how he grows under lights, and Patricia Sander will discuss different ways of growing in different light levels. We will also have refreshments

served in the main meeting hall at 6:30 so you can grab a snack, mingle at the tables, ask questions and, of course, buy your raffle tickets. Remember! Plants to be considered in judging **MUST BE SIGNED IN BY 6:30PM**. Please help Teresa in her very important role by having your plants registered before 6:30. Please also use this time to buy your raffle tickets so we are ready to start the meeting at 7:00. We are excited that these changes will give more members more access to more information and also more time to socialize.

### *Live Auction This Month*

New Orleans Orchid Society  
**LIVE AUCTION**  
Feb. 20, 2023

- Plants
- Pots
- Books
- Tools
- Potting Media

EVERYTHING BUT THE KITCHEN SINK

Items may be gently used!  
Proceeds will be used to offset programming costs.  
Please send your item descriptions to Ann Roth

Books for Auction:

- The Dendrobiums (2006) Howard P Wood, Hardback, 847 pp, Text with color photos
- Southern African Epiphytic Orchids (1978) John S Ball,, Hardback, 248 pp, Text and color botanical illustrations
- An Introduction to the Orchids Of Mexico, Wiard, Hardback, 239 pp, Text with color photos
- The Orchid Whisperer (2012) Bruce Rodgers, Paperback Expert tips from 3

decades of breeding and growing, text and color photos

Plants for Auction:

- Rlc Fort Watson ‘Memdenhall’ AM/AOS dark red color, blooming size, has 3 or 4 leads ready for larger pot
- Brassavola digbyana mature plant showing new growth for early summer blooming
- Cym Strathdon ‘Chaily Red’ AM/AOS blooming size as shown at last meeting
- Cum Mimi ‘Lucifer’ dark red, Lg, blooming size plant
- Vanda Kekasesh x Vanda Motes Golden Imp 2 spikes emerging that are over 3 inches now
- Vanda Fulford’s Gold ‘Mary Motes’ AM/AOS

### *2024 Dues are past due*

Dues were due January 1, 2024. Please plan on bringing a check to the meeting. Otherwise you will need to send a check to the society's P.O. Box, so the secretary can have you current with your dues for 2024. Members not up to date will be dropped from the rolls and no longer be eligible to participate in table judging and shows.

## Upcoming Orchid Shows & Events

We Invite You to Join Us  
for the  
**MOBILE AREA ORCHID SOCIETY'S  
45TH ANNUAL  
ORCHID SHOW & SALE**  
February 23 - 25, 2024

Hosted by



### Friday

Exhibit Set Up 8 AM  
Orchid Sales 10 AM  
Close 5 PM

### Saturday

AOS Judging 8 AM  
Orchid Sales 9 AM  
Exhibit Viewing Noon  
Close 5 PM

### Sunday

Show Open 9 AM  
Orchid Sales 10 AM  
Close 3 PM

For More Information  
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## Houston Orchid Society 2024 Spring Show

March 8 - 10, 2024  
Memorial City Mall  
303 Memorial City Way, Houston, TX

## Calcasieu Orchid Society Show "Picture Perfect Orchids"

April 5 - 7, 2024  
Cash and Carry Building Historic Event  
Center  
801 Enterprise Blvd, Lake Charles, LA

## Terrebonne Orchid Society Show "Orchids: Hidden Gems"

April 12 - 14, 2024  
Southland Mall  
5953 West Park Avenue, Houma, LA

## Monthly Winners

*Date by Day*      *Tuesday, January 23, 2024*

<i>Award</i>	<i>Member</i>	<i>Plant</i>
BG-1	Ann Roth	Den Hawaiian Punch
BG-2	Pat Herbert	Paph Temptation
BH-1	Teresa Klainer	Tolu Jairak Flyer 'Leopard'
BH-2	Ann Roth	Pot Paradise Rose 'My Valentine'
BS-1	Pat Herbert	Angcm sesquipedale
BS-2	Carol & Arne Stauder	V sanderiana

Summary for 'Date' = 1/23/2024 (6 detail records)

## Results from the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show



### Larry Hennessey

Schoenorchis juncifolia	blue
Phrag Richard Lemay 'Cooper' HCC/AOS	red
Cym Kiwi Midnight'Geyersland'FCC/AOS	yellow
Fdk After Dark'SVO Black Pearl'FCC/AOS	red
FDK Dark There After	yellow, Pulled for AOS judging
Ett Butterfly Kisses	red
V Mona Church	red

### Pat Herbert

Phal Yellow Chocolate 'Aroma'	blue
Van Vinita	red
Pyp Mendenhall'Hildos'FCC/AOS	red

### Donna Rasch

Rlc Mama Molly	red, Pulled for AOS judging
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### Ann Roth

Rlc Goldenzell 'Lemon Chiffon' AM/AOS	blue
Rlc Prada Green Deluxe 'Carib' AM/AOS	yellow
Den Hawaii Spectacular	red

### Carol Stauder

V Kulwadee Fragrance'Black Spot'	blue
V sandereriana	blue , tricolor
Den Sweet Loraine	yellow
Angrm Orchidglade	red
Bro negrilensis	blue
Papilionanda Merv L Velthuis	blue
Aeridovanda Susan Griffis'Lovely' AM/AOS	blue
Pyp Memdenhall'Hildos'FCC/AOS	blue, Best Flower & Best Grown in Onc Alliance

## *Minutes of January 23, 2024 Meeting*

President Denise Emmer called the meeting to order. Denise spoke briefly about her personal and professional background. She also discussed her vision for NOOS and encouraged more participation from members. She asked guests and new members to introduced themselves.

### **Reports**

- Vice President Susan Goss presented fun facts about some NOOS members. Susan will be working this year to create new opportunities and activities for members, including special programs and field trips.
- Treasurer Gayle Dellinger was not present, so Denise gave a report on the current bank balance.
- Secretary Ann Ebert reminded members that dues for 2024 were due by December 31, 2023. She asked them to pay their dues in person this evening or to mail them in by January 31. Those who do not pay their dues by then will be removed from the membership roster and email list. She will be sending out an updated membership roster to everyone in February.

### **Old Business:**

- The Gulf Coast Orchid Show is February 2 and 3 in Gautier, Mississippi. Carol Stauder will have Ann Ebert forward an email to the membership containing Carol's instructions regarding preparing plants for exhibit. Marian Prigmore, Randy Johnson and Ann and Bobby Roth will be setting up the exhibit. We need volunteers for take down.
- Mobile Orchid Show is February 24 and 25. Susan has volunteered to set up and takedown a tabletop exhibit. Wendy and Steve Shimmin also volunteered to help.
- Denise reminded everyone that members who help with plant transport, set up or take down of out-of-town show exhibits will receive a reimbursement for their mileage.

### **New Business:**

- The 2024 budget will be available at the February meeting.
- The Board has recommended that NOOS make the following donations for 2024:

Houston Judging Center	\$400
Alexandria Judging Center	\$100
Atlanta Judging Center	\$100
Orchid Digest	\$100
SWROGA	\$100
AOS	\$200
IPA	\$100
Total donations	\$1100

The membership approved these donations.

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## *Minutes of January 23, 2024 Meeting continued*

### **New Business (continued):**

- Denise mentioned that we are not making a monetary donation to the New Orleans Botanical Garden, but that we do provide valuable volunteer labor in their greenhouse.
- Denise asked the members to look at our current website and provide feedback regarding the presence that they would like NOOS to have online. She informed members that Michael Frederick, a local website designer, recently made a presentation to the Board regarding a new NOOS website. He could design a new website and maintain it for a year for about \$3,500. Denise asked for volunteers to join a social presence committee.
- Susan announced the programs she is planning for our 2024 meetings. She stated that she is looking for volunteers to join these committees: Refreshments, Speaker's Bureau and Community Outreach, Membership and Programs. She also looking asked for volunteers to assist Nancy Dempsey with Orchid Basics and to assist Teresa Klainer with table judging.
- Denise and Ann Roth announced that we will be holding plant and book auctions at our meetings throughout the year to raise funds for our operations. The auction in February will be big and will include plants, books and other orchid related items. Ann Roth requested donations of plants and other items from the members. She asked that members send an email to her by February 8 letting her know what plants or other items they wish to donate for the February auction. Our program for the February meeting will be the auction.
- Denise announced that, beginning with the February meeting, we will incorporate Orchid Basics into the regular meeting. Our meeting will begin at 6:30 pm, starting with refreshments/mixer/orchid basics/plant judging, followed by the business meeting and program. Plants for table judging must be registered by 6:15 pm. We will try this for a few months to see how it works.

Break and plant judging.

Program: "How to Care for Orchids in Winter" presented by Ann Roth, Carol Stauder and Larry Hennessey

Plant judging results were presented by Ann Roth.

Plant raffle, Birthday raffle and door prize.

Meeting adjourned.