



NEW ORLEANS ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



November 2025

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Good-bye 2025, Hello New Year!

This marks my final column as President of the Orchid Society! I just want to take a few sentences to thank all who contributed to the continued success of the society over the last two years! Thanks to the board, the current slate of officers for their continued support, the refreshment committee, our newsletter crew, table judging crew and our City Park orchid volunteers. I also want to thank YOU...for all that you bring to the society...whether it was helping set up/take down exhibits, volunteer for outreach activities or just assisting or bringing orchids to our monthly meetings...I appreciate you!!

Please join us Sunday, Dec. 7, for our holiday gathering! Bring a dish and a wrapped gift (under \$20) if you wish to take part in Dirty Santa. We look forward to seeing you!!

Denise

Meeting Notice

Date: November 18th, 2025
Refreshments at 6:30pm
Regular meeting at 7pm

Location:
Lakeview Presbyterian Church
5914 Canal Blvd, New Orleans, LA

Program: Jesorchids

Raffle Plants: Silent Book Auctions
(titles listed on next page)



Please join us for our November Meeting!

November 18th we welcome Juan Carlos Cruz from Jesorchids in Baton Rouge. Juan Carlos makes fascinating jewelry from REAL ORCHIDS! He will take us through his artistic process and have lovely gifts to sell! Be sure to think about the upcoming holidays and bring your checkbook or credit card!

BOOK FOR SILENT AUCTION NOVEMBER 2025

1. Dunsterville, G.C.K. & Garay, Leslie A. **Venezuelan Orchids**. 1959. Hardback, 6 volumes. Text with black and white illustrations.

Minimum bid: \$20.

2. Braeme, Guido J. **Cattleya**. 1986. Paperback, 2 volumes. Text in German and English with color illustrations and color photos.

Minimum bid: \$5.

3. Baker, Margaret L. and Baker, Charles O. **Orchid Species Culture: Pescatorea, Phaius, Phalaenopsis, Pholidota, Phragmipedium, Pleione**. 1991. Paperback. All text.

Minimum bid: \$5.

4. Northern, Rebecca Tyson. **Home Orchid Growing**. 1990. Hardback. Text with black and white and color photos.

Minimum bid: \$15

Louisiana Orchid Short Course

Hosted by the
Acadian Orchid Society

December 6, 2025
9:00 AM – 3:00 PM

\$40.00 Registration

Doors open at 8:00 AM 🌸 Judging at 12:00 PM

Ira Nelson Horticulture Center
2206 Johnston Street 🌸 Lafayette, LA

Featured Speakers:

Phillip Hamilton (Bredren Orchids)

1. All You Need to Know About Orchid Labels
2. Bredren's Phalaenopsis Breeding Program

Jodie Shumaker (Florida Star Nurseries)

1. Oncidium Orchids
2. Vanilla Orchids

LA Orchid Short Course Registration: \$40.00 per person

Make checks payable to: Acadian Orchid Society

Eddie Dupuy

1493 Mills Hwy, Breaux Bridge, LA 70517



Name: _____

Address: _____

Phone Number: _____

Affiliated Society: _____



Our annual Holiday Party will take place on Sunday
December 7th !

See you there!

The Louisiana Judging Center held its monthly judging in Alexandria on October 25, 2025.

Seven accredited judges (Alan Taylor, Frank Zachariah, William Caldwell, Eron Borne, Larry Hennessey, Mary Mancini, Randy Johnson), one associate judge (Jackie Bravo) and two student judges (Anna Maria Ball, Alena Cerri) were in attendance.

Four plants were entered for judging, one was scored and rejected and the following three awards were granted (4 HCCs, 1 AM):



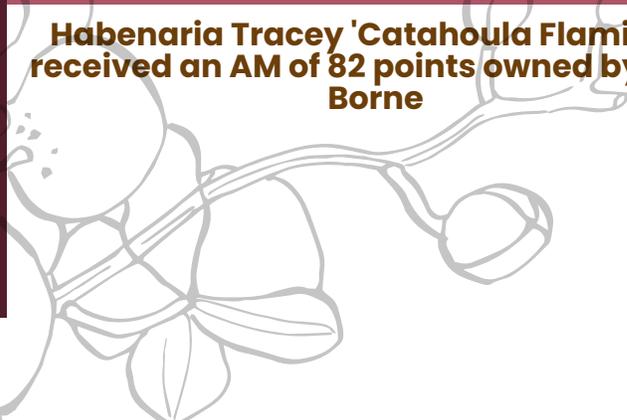
Phalaenopsis Lioulin Blue Jenny x Phalaenopsis Miki Fly Eagle C1) 'Louisiana' received an AM of 81 points owned by Al Taylor



Habenaria Tracey 'Catahoula Flamingo' received an AM of 82 points owned by Eron Borne



Vanda Uraivan Belle 'Catahoula Raspberry' received a HCC of 79 points owned by Eron Borne.



MINUTES OF 10/21/2025 MEETING THE NEW ORLEANS ORCHID SOCIETY

The meeting began at 6:30 pm with refreshments and bromeliad plant purchases.

President Denise Emmer called the business meeting to order at 7:00 pm. She announced that we had several NOID Phalaenopsis plants that were donated by the Baton Rouge Orchid Society. These plants will be raffled to the membership for free at tonight's meeting.

Reports

Secretary Ann Ebert announced that she will begin accepting 2026 membership dues at tonight's meeting. Dues are due by December 31, 2025.

Treasurer Gayle Dellinger was not present.

Vice-President Susan Goss announced that at the November meeting, Juan Carlos Cruz from JesOrchids Jewelry will give a presentation on how he makes jewelry from orchid flowers. He will have some of his creations for sale. Susan announced that our holiday party will be on Sunday, December 7. Susan also stated that we still need someone to volunteer for the Vice-President position for 2026.

Old Business

Denise announced that elections for 2026 officers and trustees will take place at the November meeting. She presented the candidates for 2026: Selah Cambias, President; Ann Ebert, Secretary; Steve Shimmin, Treasurer; and Pat Herbert, Patricia Sander and David Hessler, Trustees. Denise stated that we still do not have a candidate for Vice-President and asked for volunteers. Denise also stated that Wendy Shimmin offered to shadow Ann Ebert in the Secretary position and to provide assistance.

Denise announced that we need a volunteer to purchase and take care of raffle plants for NOOS for 2026. If you're interested in helping, please see Ann Roth or Pat Herbert.

New Business

Denise announced that we will have a silent auction of books and other items at the November meeting. Marian Prigmore announced that our holiday potluck dinner will take place on Sunday, December 7 at 6:00 pm. Everyone should bring a dish that serves 8 to 12 people. Denise reminded everyone that we play "Dirty Santa" at the potluck. Please bring a plant-related gift in the \$20 price range to participate.

Marian also announced that our 2026 Show will take place May 29 – 31, the first weekend after Memorial Day.

Denise announced that the first orchid show of 2026 is the Gulf Coast Orchid Society Show in January.

Denise thanked the volunteers who staffed our table at the City Park Fall Garden Show.

Denise also thanked Larry Hennessey for setting up and taking down the NOOS tabletop exhibit at the Acadian Orchid Society Show.

Break for Table Judging

Program: "The White Phalaenopsis," presented by AnnaMaria Ball and "Bromeliads," presented by Mike Hymel. Table judging results were presented by Nancy Dempsey.

Door prize, birthday raffle and plant raffle.

The meeting was adjourned at 9:00 p.m.

Monthly Plant Judging

All members must be in good standing (current dues paid) before entering any plants in the monthly table judging competition. Thanks!!

Monthly NOOS Winners Tuesday, October 21, 2025		
Award	Member	Plant
BG -1	Larry Hennessy	Den Island Sunset 'Layla' AM/AOS, CCM/AOS
BG-2	Carol & Arne Stauder	Pyp Pavane
BH-1	Carol & Arne Stauder	Rby Apache Sunrise
Bvanda -1	Carol & Arne Stauder	V Kulwadee Fragrance 'Black Spot'
Bvanda -2	Pat Harbert	V Turbin Velvet x Jerry Donald (Kultana Gold)
Just as a reminder, not all categories have a 1st, 2nd or 3rd place. In order to receive Award Points a plant must have at least 4 votes.		



Reminder: Dues for 2026 are due by December 31, 2025.

Dues for an individual membership are \$20.

Dues for a household membership are \$25.

If you are able to pay your dues at the November meeting, please do so.

We accept cash and checks.