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<https://www.vancouverorchidsociety.ca/>

***Monthly General Meetings** – held the 4th Wednesday of each month (except July, August and December)

****In person monthly and culture class meetings have resumed but require sign-up. If you prefer to attend online, details follow below.****

To attend virtually use Cisco Webex:
<https://vancouverorchidsociety.my.webex.com/meet/vosexecutive>
or open the Cisco Webex program and enter this meeting number 142 001 4949 in the Enter meeting information field, under Join a Meeting.

This Month:

Culture Class – No Class for January!!!

Monthly Meeting Wednesday, January 26 at 7:00pm – doors open at 6:30 pm – Floral Hall, VanDusen Gardens

Monthly Meeting Speaker - Harvey Brenneise, Mount Baker Orchid Society, Washington

Next Culture Class – Tuesday, February 8, 7 pm

Next Monthly Meeting – Wednesday, February 23, 7 pm

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President's Message, December 7, 2021

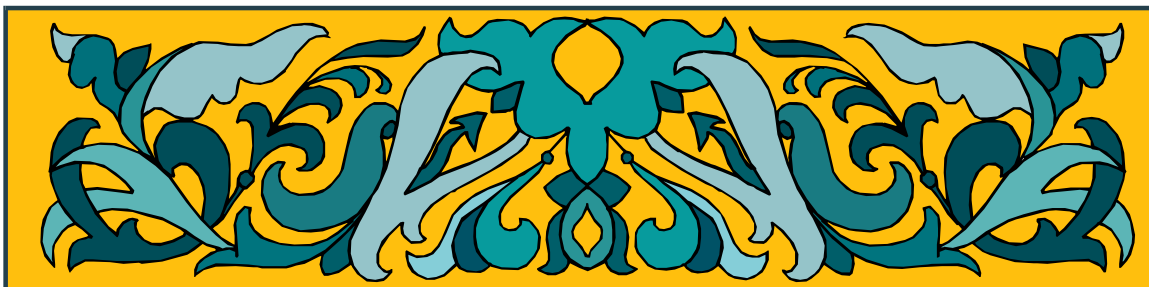
Hi Fellow orchid enthusiasts,

Greetings from Lionsgate Hospital.! I don't know whom among you are CBC listeners and if you are, you may have already heard some of this, so I apologize. Every weekend on the morning show they have a writing assignment and this is a modified version of the one I submitted - about learning new things.

I have always embraced learning new things. After high school in the 1970s I wanted to learn about art, so I took a year and went to art school. After that I went on to university to study geology, which led me from Ottawa to Calgary, where I got my PhD in structural geology. After that I was offered a Post Doctoral project to study some weird rocks in BC., those that hosted diamonds, and others that contained rare earth element deposits. While this was still in the field of geology, it was something new. These were rocks I knew nothing about, and this was before the discovery of diamonds in Canada. So I thought "Why not?" This led to a career that took me all over Canada's north, including a 4 year stint living in Yellowknife. This was followed by international work in countries such as Brazil, Guinea (West Africa) and Tanzania, where I learned a lot about other cultures, other languages, and most importantly, how good our life here in Canada really is, and how fortunate we are. When I came back from Africa, I got bitten by the orchid bug, and began learning about this most diverse plant group. It started with a grocery store plant that my husband gave me that I managed to keep alive, and rebloom, rather accidentally. My interest was heightened when we took a trip to Malaysia and visited the Orchid Garden in Kuala Lumpur, as well as a trip to West Australia one September (spring wild flower season) where I discovered the many amazing, beautiful wild orchids they had blooming there. At the end of last year my job ended, and I retired. Despite still being busy with my new role of President of the Vancouver Orchid Society, my brain must have decided to do some learning on its own, and learned how to grow a tumour. Evidence of this only started manifesting itself this fall, and, while waiting for diagnosis, I had to learn to deal with limited mobility on my left side - which, most frustratingly, included losing the ability to touch type with my left hand. I was finally diagnosed on Wednesday, and now I am learning how to be brave, and face this with as much positivity as I can while waiting for treatment. Clearly, I have had to step back from my VOS duties, and leave things in the capable hands of the executive. They have done this before, and will do it again. However, since we are an organization that survives through the efforts of volunteers, now would be a good time to let them know if you would like to step up, and lend a hand. Hopefully this will only be a short sabbatical for me, and I will see you all again in the new year. Until then, happy holidays and keep on learning about orchids! Jen

Upcoming Speakers

Month	Day	Date	Event	Topic
Jan	Wednesday	26	Monthly Meeting Speaker - Harvey Berneise, Mount Baker Orchid Society, Washington	Semi-hydroponics
Feb	Tuesday	8	Culture Class - Ask an expert !	This will be a general Q & A, ask your questions and other members will share their knowledge on the topic
Feb	Wednesday	23	Monthly Meeting Speaker - Sasha Kubicek, Victoria Orchid Society	Local wild orchids
Mar	Tuesday	8	Culture Class	To be announced
Mar	Wednesday	23	Monthly Meeting—Speaker to be announced	To be announced
Mar	Friday	25	March Show & Sale—Preview Party	
Mar	Saturday— Sunday	26— 27	March Show & Sale!!	



The **Vancouver Orchid Society** would like to thank **Abu Salleh** for his years of service, both as Vice Chair of the Pacific Northwest Judging Center and Chair of the Western Canada Judging Center. As he steps down for a well-deserved break, we also wish to welcome the new Chair, **David Edgley**, as he starts his new role effective this month. Congratulations to you both as you pursue new paths!

Social Media:

Instagram - VOS member Conor Preston has established an Instagram account to generate public interest in growing orchids. Please visit: <https://www.instagram.com/vancouverorchidsociety/>
If you would like to post photos of your flowering orchids, please get in touch with Conor at: conorpreston88@gmail.com

WhatsApp – VOS chatroom - Daniel Kwok has established Chatrooms for VOS members to post photos of their orchids, ask questions about plant health or growing tips. It is a great forum to learn from others and to share your plant photos and growing conditions.

We would like to encourage new VOS members, and current members who have not joined the VOS chatroom, to get in touch with Daniel at: dkwok3580@gmail.com (Tel: 604 805-3866) to be added.

Facebook-You can also follow us on Facebook
<https://www.facebook.com/VancouverOrchidSociety/>

Facebook/Instagram - Photos of your orchids needed

Photos of your flowering orchids (and basic information on growing conditions) are needed for the VOS **Facebook Page and Instagram**. This is a great way to promote our love of orchids to other growers and the public. Send your photos to Jennifer Pell/Conor Preston at: VOS_secretary@outlook.com

Executive and Board of Directors

President – Jennifer Pell

1st Vice President – Barbara Cable

2nd Vice President – Ingrid Pike

Treasurer – Maureen Burke

Secretary – Conor Preston

Directors:

Eugene Banziger

Gabrielle Carson

Vivien Chung

Giulia Comin

Keith Willet

Andrew Wong (Andrew has also agreed to take over as Membership Coordinator)

NOTE: Contributions of photos or articles to the newsletter are welcome. If you wish to write a short culture note or pass along some 'secret' growing tips that you find makes your orchids thrive and bloom well, please email to me so I can include in a future newsletter.

Send to Holly Martin:

neesabelle@hotmail.com

The submission deadline is usually the 7th of each month. Items received after this date will appear in the next newsletter.

Announcements

2022 Membership Renewals

Membership Renewals are now being accepted. There is a copy of the Renewal Form included at the end of this newsletter. A copy can also be found on the society website, www.vancouverorchidsociety.ca. An online renewal option is also available, and you can find instructions in the Dec 15th email sent out from the VOS Secretary.



Orchid Conservation Alliance

Conserving Orchids by Conserving Orchid Habitat

The OCA conserves orchids by funding habitat preservation. Since inception in 2005 we have helped with the purchase of over 3000 acres of orchid habitat, protecting hundreds of orchid species in Brazil, Ecuador and Colombia. Many species of rare birds, trees, frogs, mammals also find refuge in these reserves.



Dracula



Dracula



Ventanas



Ventanas

Dracula gigas (L), *D. trigonopetala* (R)
Dracula Reserve, Ecuador

Dracula lemurilla (L), *Lepanthes escifera* (R)
La Selva de Ventanas Reserve, Colombia

We hope you will join us in promoting this important work. We invite you to become a member of the OCA, to make a donation, to take a trip with us to see Orchids in the Wild®, and to purchase merchandise through our website. Since we have no paid staff, all proceeds support orchid conservation. The OCA is a non-profit 501(c)(3) corporation.

For more information: www.orchidconservationalliance.org

AOS Western Canada Judging Center

November 13, 2021



Dracula pholeodytes 'Kittiwake' AM/AOS
82pts Exhibitor: Leda Bower

Judges in attendance:

Abu Salleh

Deborah Ward

Calvin Wong

Photographer: Judith

Higham

The **AOS Western Canada Judging Center** meets every second Saturday of the month at 11:30am, except where noted (Chair: David Edgley, 425 -785-6440, David.Edgley@gmail.com)

Next 2 monthly meetings:

February 12, 2022 : **CANCELLED**

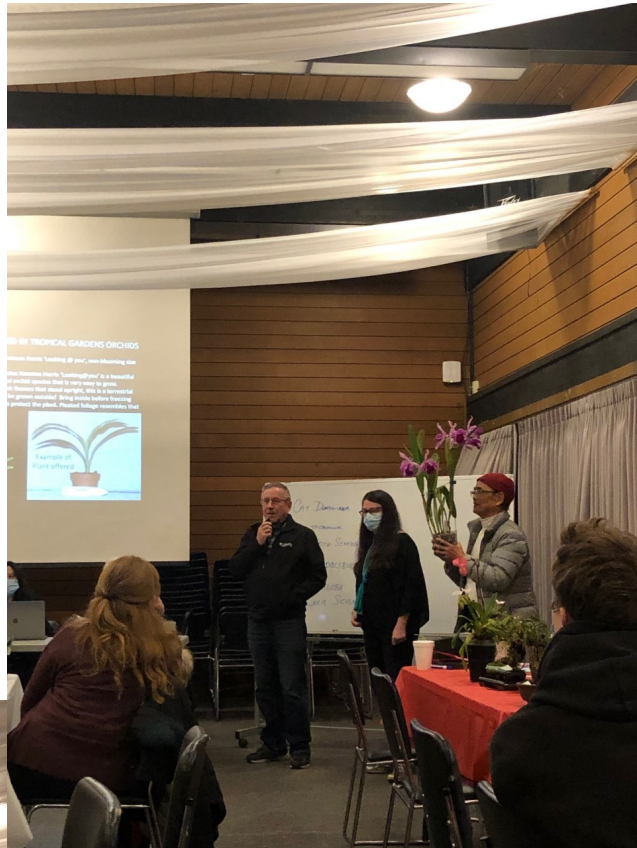
March 4, 2022 (Friday) : 1:00pm after Central Vancouver Island Orchid Society Show judging at Nanaimo North Town Center, 4750 Rutherford Road, Nanaimo, BC V9T 4K6

Please note that future meetings may be affected by Provincial Health restrictions related to the COVID-19 pandemic.

Holiday Social

November 24, 2021

Our first hybrid Holiday Social was a big success! Margaret Prat submitted a couple photos from the in-person portion of the event. In the photo to the left, Eugene can be seen explaining how he grows his prize winning Cattleya dominianum.



Holiday Social
Members' Choice Winners



Cattleya Dominiana(1899)
4N (Eugene)

Paph. Spicerianum
(Margaret)



Holiday Social
Members' Choice Winners



Phrag. Fritz Schomburg (Margaret)



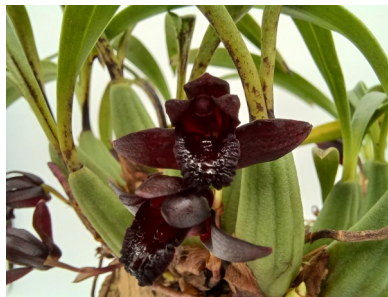
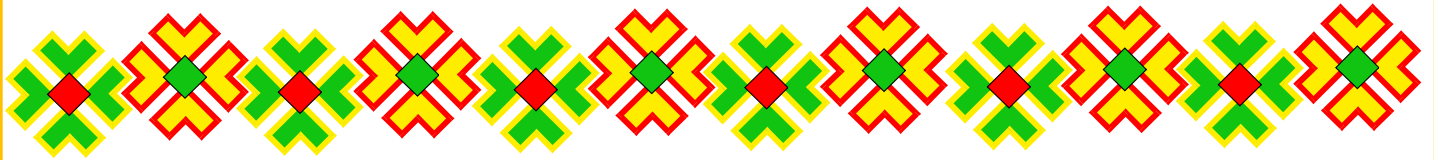
Dinema polybulbon (Daniel)



Holiday Social
Members' Choice Winners



Aerides blobs (Eugene)



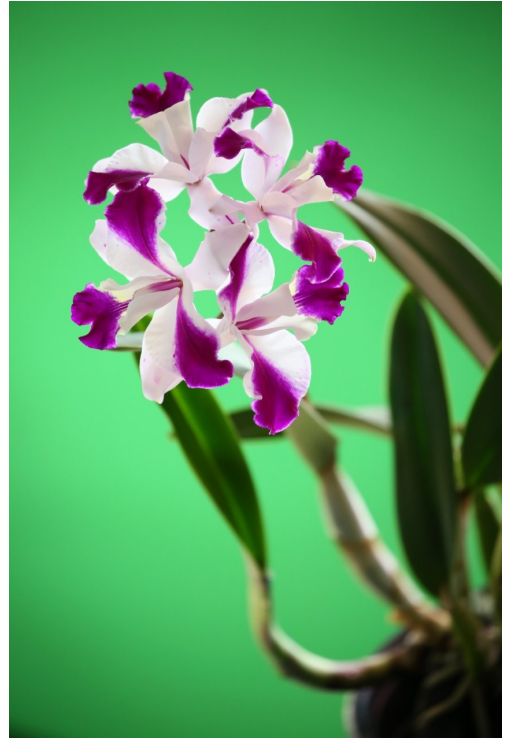
**Maxillaria schunkeana
(Daniel)**

VOS Member Photos—Thank You to All for Sharing!

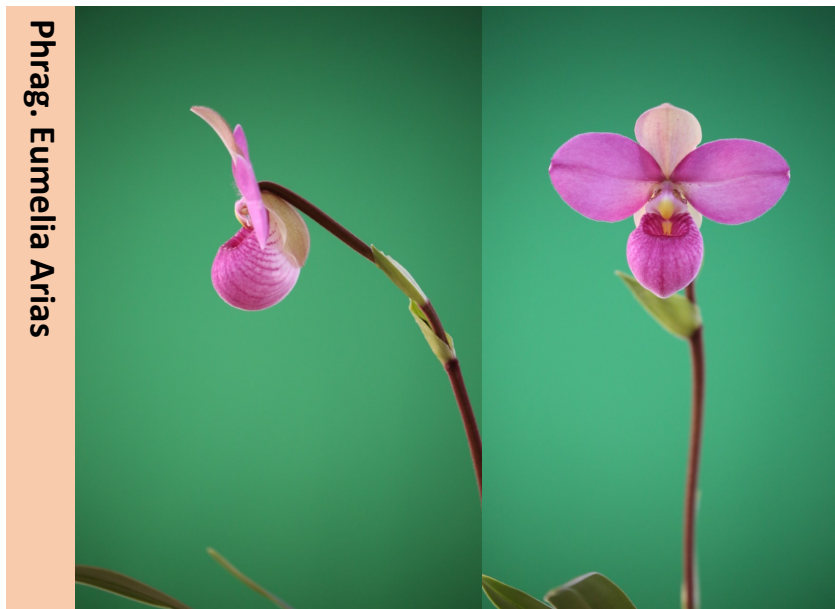
Peter Zhao



Blc. Village Chief North



C. Purple Cascade



Phrag. Eumelia Arias



C. (formerly Sophronitis) cernua



**Coel. Unchained Melody
'Mossiae'**

**C. Walkeriana fma.
flames 'Tokatsu-S'**



**Paph. micranthum var.
eberneum**



Lori Barrington



**Paph Wossner China Moon
(armeniacum x hangianum)**



Paph glaucophyllum

**Paph Clair de Lune x
charlesworthii**



Paph tranlienianum



Marilyn Lew



Assorted Paphiopedilums (NOID)
Dec 31, 2021, 4:04 PM

Assorted Paphiopedilums (NOID)



Cattleya perciviliana "Summit" FCC/AOS
Dec 31, 2021, 3:25 PM

Cattleya perciviliana "Summit" FCC/AOS

Blc. Sierra Blanca x Cattleya schilleriana



Blc. Sierra Blanca x Cattleya schilleriana
Dec 31, 2021, 2:58 PM

**Cattleya maxima coerulea "Gigi" x
"Angelo"**



Cattleya maxima coerulea "Gigi" x "Angelo"
Jan 3, 2022, 3:31 PM



Richard Pearson



Coelogyne barbatum

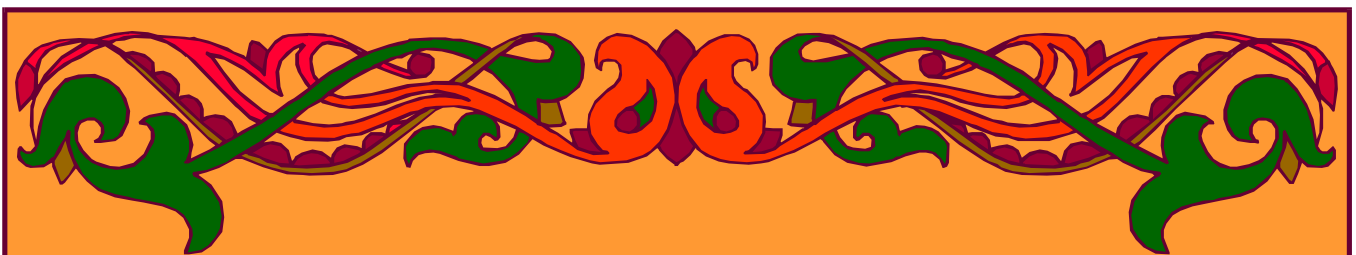


Dtps Jiaho's Pink Girl

Cymbidium traceyanum 'June's Dark'



Epidendrum capricornu



Ricky Leung



Cattleya Johanna de Vries



**Vandachostylis Janice Allison
'Blue'**

All Ricky's plants are grown in vase culture, under LED lights, and intermediate-warm conditions.

Perreiraara Rapeepath 'Yellow'



Perreiraara Tango Fire



Yolanda Breck



Cattleanthe the Japanese Beauty 'Sakura'

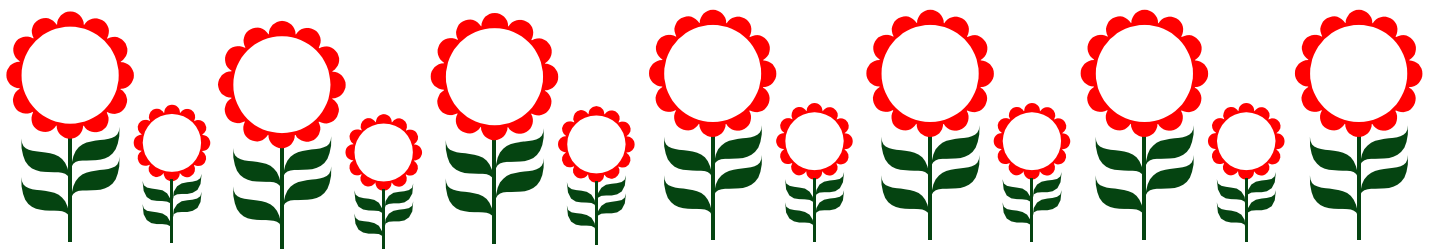


Paph. Via Rio Vista 'Sea Wind' x
Paph. Sandra Mary 'Diablo' AM/
AOS

Chysis violates



Neostylis Lou Sneary 'Blue Bird'



Arlene Arnold



Coel mossiae unchained melody



Paph Pinocchio natural beauty/ paph glaucophyllum x primulinum hybrid

Carla & Bill Bischoff

Orchis Bulbophyllum frostii



Trichoceros parviflorus



Deann Evans



Phalaenopsis Schillariana
(first bloom for this plant!)

Dianne Gillis



Cattlianthe Japanese Beauty
'Sakura' (Ctt. Fairyland x Cattleya
Misaki bells)

Elizabeth Markus



Bc. Makai 'Mayumi'

Ctna. Why Not 'Roundabout' X Ctna.
Orglade's Little Lover 'Jacks Hill'



Eplc. Don Hermann

Evelyn Nash



Rlc.Kat E-Sun 'Taiyoung #3
(C.Beaufort x Rlc. Sunset Bay)

This plant is grown under lights in
orchiata.

Gabrielle Carson



Aerides quinquevulnera

Chris Abel



Colminara "Wildcat Rainbow"



Sophronitis cernua var. *miniera*

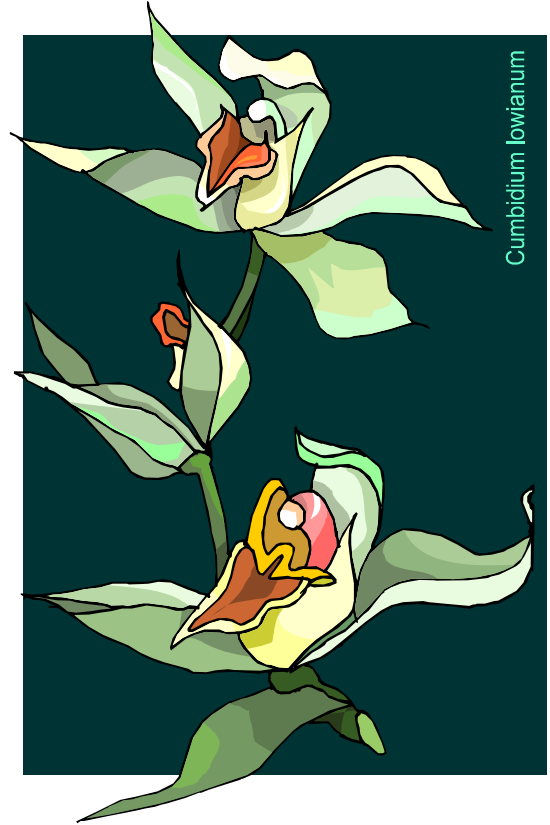
Phal. Tying Shin Sweet Heart-peloric



Melanie G



Paph. venustum alba



Cumbidium lowianum

Sasha Kubicek



Laelia albida

Masdevallia decumana



Masdevallia rhodehameliana



Dendrobium Hamana Lake 'Prism'



Sedirea japonica

V. Pachara Delight 'Blue'



Lycaste Red Jewel

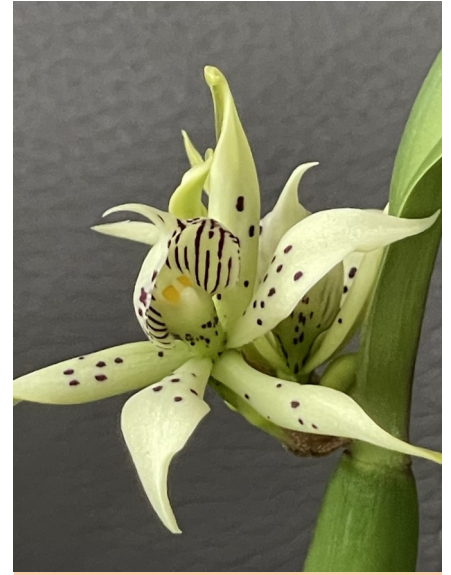


Beth Paul



Dendrobium Violet
Yamaji Nalo

Encyclia cochleata



Epidendrum fragrans

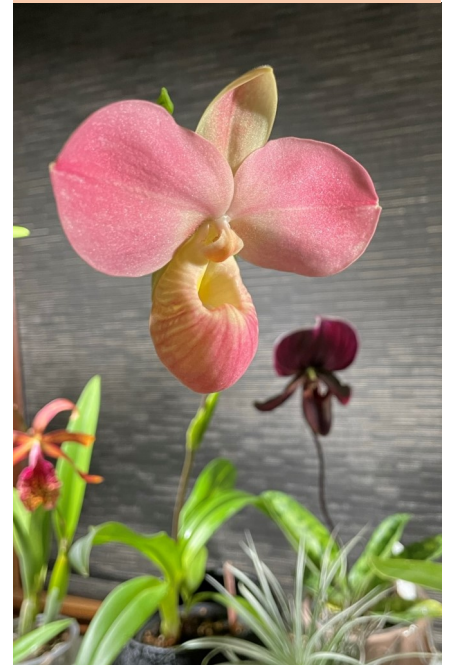
Myrmecatavola Frances
Fox



No ID



Phrag Fritz Schomburg



Jennifer Fabre

Cattleya Circle of Life New Ace AM-AOS



Sophronitis Mini
Arizona

Cattleya Cosmic Delite



Dendrobium bellatulum



Paphiopedilum Conco-bellatulum
SVO AM-AOS x thaianum Super
Cute



Oncidium Twinkles



Ascozentrum nana & Angraecum didieri

Don Bednarczyk



BC Nodata



Cattleya Longriver Compton 'Gold Star' FCC

BLC Golden Chieftain



Vancouver Orchid Society
Treasurer's Report November/December 2021

Balance Forward: (Nov.1 2021) \$ 7203.87

Closing Balance: (Dec.31 2021) **\$12155.42**

Community Account

Revenue:

Auctions (Oct / Nov)	\$2342
Membership (ind)	\$1200
Membership (corp)	\$ 150
Show Vendors (4 vendors x 11 tables)	<u>\$2750</u>
Total	\$6442

Expenses:

Rent (VanDusen 2021)	\$1001.70
StorageMart (Nov/Dec)	\$ 287.68
Office	\$ 116.78
Fees (SQUARE)	<u>\$ 84.29</u>
Total	\$1490.45
Net	\$4951.55

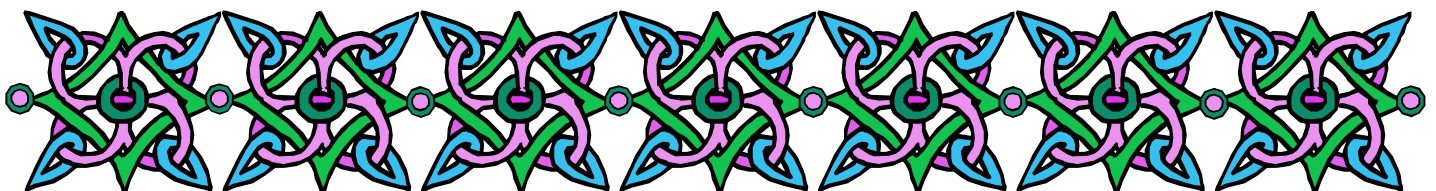
US\$ Account:

Opening balance	\$1326.07
Fee	<u>\$ 3.00</u>
Total	\$1329.07

Trust Accounts:

1.#1 deposit: 16/03/21 **\$7,538.46**. Matures 16/03/2024

2.#2 deposit 16/03/19 **\$10,000**. Matures 16/03/2022



Vancouver Orchid Society

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MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION / RENEWAL FORM

Annual (January to December) membership fee is: **\$ 50.00 corporate; \$30.00 per household** (one or two adults); **\$20 for Students**

☐ NEW MEMBER ☐ MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL

(Primary Member) Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

(Co-member) Last Name: _____ First Name: _____

Address: _____

City: _____ Province/State: _____ Postal/Zip Code: _____

Telephone: () _____ E-mail Address: _____

Please email completed forms to: **VOS_Secretary@outlook.com**

Payment Method ☐ Cash ☐ Cheque, payable to: **The Vancouver Orchid Society**
☐ Digitally (debit/credit card) Mail cheque to: **VOS Treasurer, 3441 W 1st Ave. Vancouver, V6R 1G6**

Permission to publish the following in Membership Directory?

☐ E-mail ☐ Phone # ☐ Address: _____

The membership directory will be provided to current members for society business only as per the Personal Information Privacy Act.

Newsletter

Our monthly newsletters in full colour will be e-mailed monthly and are also available through our website at www.vancouverorchidsociety.ca. Newsletters will only be postal mailed upon request.

Volunteering

We are a volunteer organization. All members are encouraged and expected to volunteer at least once a year. Please indicate the areas which you will be able to assist:

<input type="checkbox"/> Plant Sales	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Planning	<i>How much time can you volunteer (approximate)?</i>
<input type="checkbox"/> Raffle	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Setup	
<input type="checkbox"/> Membership	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Security	
<input type="checkbox"/> Library	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Admissions	
<input type="checkbox"/> Kitchen	<input type="checkbox"/> Show Displays	
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2 hours a year
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2 hours a month
		<input type="checkbox"/> 2 hours a week
		<input type="checkbox"/> anytime, just ask me!

Please tell us a little bit about what kind of orchids you grow and how you grow them.

What types of orchids do you grow (or want to grow)?

<input type="checkbox"/> Cattleya Alliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Dendrobiums	<input type="checkbox"/> Cymbidiums
<input type="checkbox"/> Oncidium Alliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Paphiopedilums	<input type="checkbox"/> Miltoniopsis
<input type="checkbox"/> Phalaenopsis Alliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Phragmipedium	<input type="checkbox"/> Temperate (outdoor) orchids
<input type="checkbox"/> Vanda Alliance	<input type="checkbox"/> Cypripedium	<input type="checkbox"/> Others

Where do you grow them?

<input type="checkbox"/> Windowsill	<input type="checkbox"/> Greenhouse	<input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____
<input type="checkbox"/> Under Lights	<input type="checkbox"/> Indoor (climate control)	

How many orchids do you have?

☐ under 20 ☐ 20-50 ☐ 51-100 ☐ 101-200 ☐ over 200

What kind of programs or speakers are you interested in seeing?

How did you hear about the VOS?:

Signature _____

Date _____