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# Orchiflora

https://www.vancouverorchidsociety.ca/

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

\*\*In person monthly meetings and culture classes have been suspended at this time. Meetings will be conducted exclusively online for the time being.

#### 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.

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# **This Month:**

Culture Class Tuesday, February 8 at 7pm – Ask an Expert!

Monthly Meeting Wednesday, February 23 at 7pm

Monthly Meeting Speaker - Sasha Kubicek, Victoria Orchid Society,

**Topic—Local Wild Orchids** 

Next Culture Class – Tuesday, March 8, 7 pm

Next Monthly Meeting - Wednesday, March 23, 7 pm

# **Upcoming Speakers**

Month	Day	Date	Event	Topic
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 Speaker—Charles Wilson	Bulbophyllums (AOS webinar)
Mar	Wednesday	23	Monthly Meeting Speaker—Stanley Luk	Brachypetalum Paphiopedilums
Mar	Friday	25	March Show & Sale—Preview Party	CANCELLED
Mar	Saturday— Sunday	26— 27	March Show & Sale!!	CANCELLED
Apr	Tuesday	12	Culture Class	Australian Dendrobiums

The <u>AOS Western Canada Judging Center</u> 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.

#### Social Media:

<u>Instagram</u> - VOS member Conor Preston has established an Instagram account to generate public interest in growing orchids. Please visit: <a href="https://www.instagram.com/vancouverorchidsociety/">https://www.instagram.com/vancouverorchidsociety/</a>

If you would like to post photos of your flowering orchids, please get in touch with Conor at: <a href="mailto:conormal">conormal: conormal: conor

<u>WhatsApp</u> – 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: <a href="mailto:dkwok3580@gmail.com">dkwok3580@gmail.com</a> (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**

Interim President – Ingrid Pike

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 7<sup>th</sup> of each month. Items received after this date will appear in the next newsletter.

#### **Announcements**

#### **Annual Show & Sale:**

In light of VanDusen's decision to cancel all indoor rentals and the new Provincial Health Orders, the show committee is cancelling our Annual Show and Sale in March.

Pre-orders for the Annual Show and Sale will not be cancelled and arrangements are being made to facilitate pick up of the pre-orders. Announcements for each vendor's pick up will be made at later dates.

#### **Monthly Meetings & Culture Classes:**

VanDusen has cancelled all indoor rentals so our monthly meeting and culture class will be virtual again.

Below are the usual instructions on how to join our meetings and culture classes. You can also download the attached Word file containing the information on how to join as email can be unreliable in rare cases:

If you haven't installed or used Cisco Webex before, please follow this guide: <a href="https://sway.office.com/8ehU91FwudnshLQr">https://sway.office.com/8ehU91FwudnshLQr</a>

Otherwise, join the meeting in one of the following ways:

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- Or, open the Cisco Webex program and enter this meeting number 142 001
   4949 in the Enter meeting information field, under Join a Meeting.

The meeting will start at 7:00pm but you can connect to the meeting around 6:30pm to set yourself up or chat with others.

# **Pre-Orders**

#### **Ten Shin Orchids Pre-Orders:**

Ten Shin will have a shipment to Vancouver by the 4th week of March this year and Daniel Kwok is coordinating pre-orders on their behalf. Links to the plant list and prices were sent out by email previously, along with instructions on how to place any order. The deadline for ordering will be on March 10, 2022. Shipment is expected to arrive in Vancouver during the week of March 21st. Daniel will notify members by group email once the exact date of delivery is confirmed. Pick up location and time table will be announced in due course. If you have questions, please send them to Daniel Kwok (dkwok3580@gmail.com).

# **Ecuagenera Pre-Orders:**

This announcement is from Eugene Banziger. If you have questions, please email them to eugene.banziger@gmail.com:

Hi all! In light of the fact that our spring show and sale has been canceled, I wish to notify all that the pre-orders will be going forward as planned. The latest lists were sent out in an earlier email. Please order directly from Ecuagenera and pay them at time of ordering. I will look after the plants at arrival and they can be **picked up at my home on March 25 and 26, 9am until 5pm**.

Order Deadline is March 01.

#### **Ecuagenera Pop-Up Sale:**

Eugene was able to secure a popup at Southland's Nursery at 6550 Balaclava Street in Vancouver for **March 26 and 27**. Ecuagenera will have Orchids and Tropical Aroids for sale. Thomas Hobbs has kindly agreed to provide the space in one of his greenhouses, the same as last November. Opening hours will be 9am to 5pm both days.

N.B.: All pre-order pickups will be at Southland's, unless otherwise arranged. Any questions please contact Eugene, eugene.banziger@gmail.com

#### VANCOUVER ORCHID SOCIETY MONTHLY MEETING

Minutes of 26 January 2022 Meeting hosted virtually on Cisco WebEx Meeting chaired by Ingrid Pike

Jennifer Pell has had to step back from her position as President and because Barb Cable, our 1st Vice President will be stepping down in June, Ingrid Pike has graciously agreed to act as an interim President until our AGM in June. Thanks to Jennifer, Barb and Ingrid for all their hard work.

#### 2022 Show and Sale

Unfortunately, due to uncertainties with our venue and vendors, our Annual Show and Sale has been cancelled

Several pre-orders will go ahead. These will be spread out over the next few months. Please watch you email inboxes for availability lists from Ecuagenera, Ten Shin, Ching Hua and one of our new vendors, Tropical Exotique from Thailand. Eugene and Daniel will be coordinating the order so reach out to them if you have any questions

#### Membership

We have had two new members join recently, one of whom joined our meeting

Please renew your membership for 2022. You can pay by cash, cheque, credit card or e-transfer

Membership cards will be sent out soon

#### Speaker Series

Sasha Kubicek will speak at our February meeting on Local Wild Orchids

Stanley Luk will speak on Brachypetalum Paphiopedilums in March

June's speaker will be Glen Decker presenting 'My Life with Slippers'

#### **Culture Class**

February's Culture Class will be Ask an Expert. Please bring any questions you'd like to ask our expert growers. An email will be circulated before to collect questions

March will be an AOS webinar on Bulbophyllums presented by Charles Wilson

Culture Class in April will be about Australian dendrobiums. It will either be an AOS webinar or presented by Margaret Prat, depending on whether we can meet in person at VanDusen



# Vancouver Orchid Society Treasurer's Report January 2022

Opening Balance: (Jan.1) **\$12155.42** Closing Balance: (Jan.31) **\$12740.18** 

**Community Account** 

Revenue:

Members (26 new & renewing)\$770Orchid auction (9 buyers)\$270Total\$1040

Expenses:

(\$172.19) Storage Mart (Dec.) Canadian Orchid Society membership (\$232.00) Safeway (Xmas party) (\$ 18.12) **SQUARE** fees (\$ 29.42) Interest (Visa) (\$ 3.51) Total (\$455.24) Net (revenue-expenses) \$584.76 \$12,740.13 Closing balance (opening balance + net)

\*refund to March show vendors covered in February report

US\$ Account:

 $\begin{array}{ccc} \text{Opening balance} & $1323.07 \\ \text{Fee} & & & & \\ \hline{\text{Total}} & $5320.07 \\ \end{array}$ 

**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





# 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 gigas (L), D. triganapetala (R)
Dracula Reserve, Ecuador

Dracula lemurella (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

# **VOS Member Photos—Thank You to All for Sharing!**

# **Collis Wilson & Maureen Burke**



Coelogyne"Unchained Melody"





Coel. Linda Buckley





# **Pedro Luis Aranguran**



Cattleya Yellow Bird

This plant had been in bloom for 3 weeks at the time of the photo. It gets light from its position on a West End balcony.

### Jim Poole



**Catesatum Fimbriatum** 

# **Andrea Portugal**



Den. Enobi Purple 'Splash'

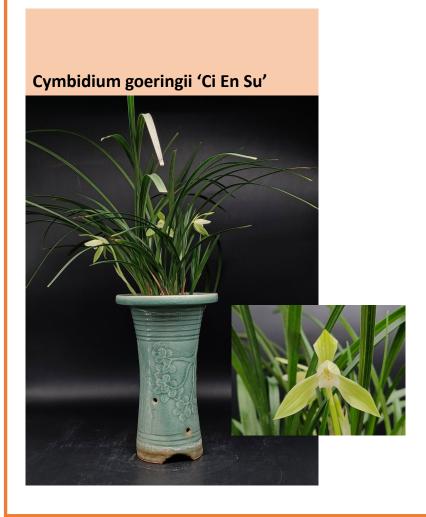




# **Daniel Kwok**









# **Richard Pearson**



Coelogyne mooeana Westonbirt



Laelia anceps red form



Laelia anceps veitchii x Laelia purpurata

# Jennifer Fabre



**Angraecum leonis** 



Dracula ubangina Juan



Paphiopedilum TB Warren

# **Marilyn Lew**



Blc. Mishima Luminous x Blume Island



Cattleya Dominiana coerulea (1859)







# **Peter Zhao**



C. Hybrid Noid



Den. kingianum



L. anceps

# Bc. Maikai Mayumi



### Melanie G



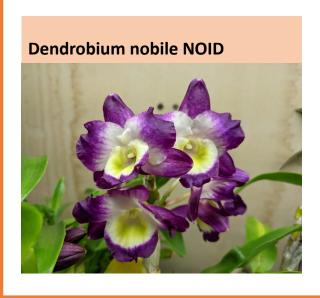
C Love Castle Kurenai BM JGP



**Den Aussie Chip** 







# This plant is grown outside in the summer with plenty of light, water and fertilizer. Come end of August, no fertilizer and less water. Kept outside this year till outside temperature was 4c, and then grown cool in unheated garage with minimal water under lights.

**Margaret Prat** 

# **Shannon Pang**



**Phal Schilleriana** 



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# **Dianne Gillis**



Paph. sukhakulii x charlesworthii

Both plants are grown indoors and under lights.



Sophrolaelia cattleya (Lc. Chester Fire x Sl. Psychosos)

# **Eugene Banziger**

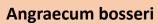




Cattleya Beaufort x C. dowiana aurea



Phyocalanthe Kryptonite





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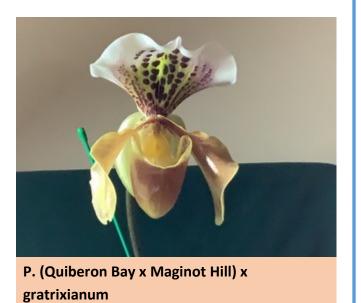




Dendrobium speciosum



### **Ainslie Blanchett**



Bloomed this January. Positioned in North windowsill, grown in Orchiata, fertilized weekly alternating Epsom Salts with a 7-11-27 fertilizer.

### **Keith Willett**



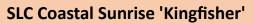
Watered/fertilized weekly, under skylight

### Jen Pell





# **Don Bednarczyk**





**Cattlianthe Japanese Beauty 'Sakura'** 





Dendrobium speciosum



### Frank & Erin Skelton



Oncidium "Twinkle"

We got this as a raffle plant at the March 2019 meeting.

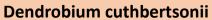
Paphiopedalum Norita Hasegawa





Paphiopedalum venustum X sib

From Calvin Wong in October 2019. Still in original 2.5" pot





# **Ricky Leung**





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The Dendrobium, Cattleya and Vanda are grown in intermediate to warm conditions under LED light, and the Cymbidium is grown outside year-round under natural light.



# **Lori Barrington**



Paph. jackii



Phal. Mini Mark



Paph. Norito Hasegawa (malipoense x armeniacum)



# **Wayne Riggs**





Phrag sedenii x kovachi. First bloom seedling

Paph TB Warren (fanaticum x



