



NHOS Newsletter

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President's Message

At one time it seemed so far away but after many months of planning our annual orchid show, it opens to the public on Friday. We have many volunteers ready to help, but the success of our show relies on help from as many people as possible. We can use your help with ribbon judging, admission table, conservation table, guided tours, whatever you feel comfortable doing.

Our show schedule is on the website at <https://www.nhorchids.org/2024-Show-Schedule>. Everyone who assists us for a couple hours or more will receive free admission to the show. If you can, please consider volunteering your time. It's greatly needed and appreciated, and always a fun time for those that do.

The very next weekend will be our March membership meeting. Our guest speaker is Mike Badia, vice president of the Massachusetts Orchid Society. Mike will be speaking about growing Paphs and Phrags in the home. Mike has had great success growing orchids in his basement and will share that knowledge with us. I had the privilege of attending this talk last year and it should be of interest to all of us that desire to grow successfully under lights.

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NHOS MEETING NOTICE

Saturday March 9, 2024 @ Old Bedford Town Hall

Board Mtg. 9:30 AM

Plants on Show Table by 11:00

Lunch 12:00 followed by

Program – Mike Badia

“Growing Paphs & Phrags in the Home.”

(see pg. 8 for details)

**And don't forget to bring a potluck
brunch/lunch food to share!**

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly AOS Judging

On the first Saturday @ Tower Hill
contact Bob Winkley at northeastjudgingcenter@gmail.com if you are interested in attending or having a plant judged.

**March 1-3, 2024- NHOS Annual Show & Sale “Cosmic Colors”
Marriott Courtyard, Nashua**

**2024 NHOS Show Dinner Buffet and Award Ceremony
March 02, 2024 6:00 PM • Courtyard by Marriott, 2200 Southwood Drive,
Nashua, New Hampshire 03063**

World Orchid Conference, Taiwan

March 1-4, 2024

<https://www.woctrust.org/the-next-woc---23-woc-taiwan-2024>

**March 9, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: Mike Badia
“Growing Paphs & Phrags in the Home”**

Nutmeg State Orchid Society Show & Sale

March 16 (12-5) & 17 (10-4), 2024

See pg. 10

Mid- Hudson Orchid Society Spring Show & Sale

April 13, 2024 - see pg. 9

**April 13, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: Daryl Yerdon
Topic “Orchids of Ecuador”**

**May 11, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: Beth Davis, Waldor Orchids
Topic TBD.**

**June 8, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: Alan Koch, Gold Country
Orchids. Topic TBD**

**July 13, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: Dr. Kristen Uthus, New World
Orchids
Topic TBD**

Aug. 10, 2024- NHOS Picnic, Annual Mtg. & Auction

Sept. 14, 2024- NHOS Monthly Mtg., Program: TBD



**Procutavola Brassavola Nodosa x Epicattleya
Lime Sherbet 'Key Lime Stars'**



**Epicattleya Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower'
HCC/AOS**



Phrag. Sedenii



Den. Ellen

Feb. Show Table Results
(photographs courtesy of Caren Savone)

***- Plant of the Month**

Judges: Chuck Wingate, Jean Stefanik, David Sparks, Norm Selander-Carrier, Steve Ski

Hobbyist ©= cultural award

Oncidium Alliance

1st: Onc. Heaven Scent

Anita Walker

Cattleya Alliance

1st: Procutavola Brassavola Nodosa x Epicattleya Lime Sherbet 'Key Lime Stars' Anita Walker

Cymbidium Alliance

1st: Cym. Hazel Fayel Shocking x Mem. Amelia Earhart 'Scott Valine' #224

Anita Walker

Miscellaneous Genera

1st: Zygonisia Snow Bird

Philip Marrera

Advanced Growers
(all cultural or “R” for rarity)

Brigitte Fortin

Phrag sedenii

Coelogyne usitana

Epicattleya Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower' HCC/AOS 2 plants

Susan Usseglio

Phal. Janho's Pink Girl

Expert Growers
(all cultural or “R” for rarity)

Chuck Wingate

Den. Ellen

Dendrochilum wenzelii yellow form

Cym. Glubeiense

Laelia anceps 'Flambeau' AM/AOS

Daryl Yerdon

Pths. eumecocavlon 'Snow Angel'

Dendrochilum uncatum var. uncatum

Max. variabilis

Dendrochilum quadrilobium

David Sparks

Cym. Cherry Blossom 'Profusian'

Den. leucocyanum

Den. Tyobb

Bob Cleveland

Cattleya (Laelia) praestans

Epi. centropetalum

Dinema polybulbon 'Cleveland's' CCM/AOS

Holcoglossum rupestre ®

Paph. Hengduan Grace Helen 'Bob' HCC/AOS



Dendrochilum wenzelii yellow form



Laelia anceps 'Flambeau' AM/AOS



Dendrochilum uncatum var. uncatum



Max. variabilis



New Hampshire Orchid Society
General Meeting Minutes
Feb. 10, 2024

The Vice-President called the meeting to order and welcomed new members and guests.

- Upcoming Program's:
- Programs for 2024

Feb. 10, 2024 - Program by NHOS show committee "Preparing for our March show"

March 9, 2024 - Mike Badia "Growing Paphs & Phrags in the Home"

April 13, 2024 – Daryl Yerdon "Orchids of Ecuador"

May 11, 2024 - Beth Davis, Waldor Orchids Topic TBD.

June 8, 2024 - Alan Koch, Gold Country Orchids. Topic TBD

July 13, 2024 - Dr. Kristen Uthus, New World Orchids Topic TBD

August 10, 2024 - NHOS annual picnic – details not yet confirmed

September 14, 2024 - NHOS Meeting – TBD

October 12, 2024 - NHOS Meeting – TBD

November 9, 2024 - Dave Sorokowsky, Paph. Paradise Topic TBD

December 14, 2024-- NHOS Annual Holiday Party

- Financials': We have a total of \$18,252.09 in the checking account; Fund Accounts: \$27,202.17; Society's net worth is \$44,786.16
- Membership: We have 115 memberships and 168 members.
- 2024 Show and Sale – Andrea Deachman, Show Committee Chairperson, announced there are sign-up sheets located at the back of the hall, much help is needed so please sign up. It was noted that 147 hours needs to be filled between Membership, Admissions and Co-Op. She also noted free admission will be granted workers who perform a minimum of 2 (two) hours work at the Show. There is information in the newsletter regarding positions filled/needling to be filled as well as minutes from the kick-off meeting. Postcards and flyers are located at the back of the hall. Signs advertising the Show and Sale have been updated and are at the back of the hall.

- Upcoming Society Shows:
 - Amherst Orchid Society – February 24 & 25, 2024;
- Lee & Bob Brockmann, Joss & Sue Labonville, Steve & Jan Ski will be responsible for set-up and take-down.
- New Hampshire Orchid Society (NHOS) – March 1, 2 and 3, 2024; Theme: Cosmic Colors. Bob Cleveland and Susan Usseglio will be responsible for set-up and take-down.
- Nutmeg State Orchid Society – March 15 & 16, 2024 – “Come see our Bloomers” Volunteer still needed for set-up and take-down.
- Connecticut Orchid Society, Bristol CT – April 20 & 21, 2024 – “Spring into Orchids”
- Orchid Digest Article – Peter Faletra
- Jean Stefanik reported that there was an extensive write-up in the latest Orchid Digest Issue outlining accomplishments made utilizing the grant approved by NHOS. Latest issue at the back of the hall for review.
- Annual Picnic
- The annual meeting and picnic are scheduled for August and a volunteer is needed to host. It was asked whether we wanted to have the picnic at the Bedford Town Hall or at a members home or maybe a park. Item is still being discussed.

Meeting adjourned for Monthly Program.

Respectfully submitted: Susan Usseglio, Secretary

President’s Message (con’t from pg. 1)

Lastly, we had two resignations from the Board of Directors last month and as a result I am now president of the society. Years ago I heard someone say “the only constant is change” and the truth of that statement has stuck with me ever since. It was unexpected but I hope to do a good job and welcome your comments and suggestions.

I’m looking forward to our show only a few days away. Time to groom my plants and get them ready!

Daryl Yerdon

Monthly Meeting - Mike Badia “Growing Paphs & Phrags in the Home.”

Mike Badia is the Vice President of the Massachusetts Orchid Society and will discuss growing Slipper Orchids in the home. Mike's experience is extensive with these charming species and hybrids.

Mike was first exposed to orchids in 1982 and was immediately hooked. He grows his orchids on windowsills, tiered LED light carts and more recently a basement grow room with LED lights. He grows a variety of orchids but tends to favor Paphs, Phrags and Catts. Mike's Paph. insigne ‘Harefield Hall’ took the Jim Campbell Memorial Trophy for Best Cypripedium Alliance at our 2022 New Hampshire Orchid Society Show and we are lucky to have him tell us how to grow these in the home.

We will have a show table. Please have your plants on the show table by 11 a.m.

Lunch is potluck so please consider bringing a dish to share if you are able to.

Call for Speaker Hosting

One of the benefits of membership is having speakers from across the country attend our membership meetings. We are excited to have some great speakers lined up for 2024.

One of the challenges is to be sure they have accommodations during their visit. Beth Davis from Waldor Orchids will be joining us in May, Alan Koch from Gold Country Orchids will be here in June and Dave Sorokowsky from Paph Paradise will be here in November.

Would you be willing to host one of these speakers during their visit to NH? Typically we need a member willing to provide a bed for one night. Those of us that have hosted speakers often find it to be a rewarding experience.

If you are able to help, please let me know. Daryl Yerdon
– daryl@nhorchids.org – 603-321-7897

Member's Choice for February Orchid of the Month-
Den. glumuceum 'Sumerod' CCM/AOS (Coel. glumacea)
Grown by Daryl Yerdon

Like most dendrochilums this is found in the Philippines and also in Borneo. It is one of the larger sized species with pseudobulbs that have a single grass like leaf that flowers late winter/spring with a long feather-like inflorescence. It has large white flowers with a yellow lip arranged side by side in two rows. The flowers are very fragrant, smelling like fresh hay.

This is my largest dendrochilum. It was awarded an 84-point CCM at the 2010 NHOS orchid show. When it was awarded it was growing in an 8" pot with "approximately 4,360 flowers and 640 buds on 100 cascading inflorescences to 42 cm length". It's now growing in a 12" pot with over 200 inflorescences.

I find all dendrochilums to be very easy to grow. I grow them in a plastic pot using a media of Power size orchiatra for big plants or Classic size orchiatra for small plants. The trick for me is to then lower the plastic pot into the smallest terracotta pot that it will drop into, making sure that water can drain out of the terracotta pot. I have 13 AOS awards and now 5 of them were awarded for dendrochilums since I started growing them this way. I hoped to return this plant to AOS judging this year but as luck would have it the flowers opened after the NE center judging and I don't expect them to last until the Amherst show.

The genus dendrochilum was recently eliminated and they now belong to the genus coelogyne. In addition to the genus name change, some species of Dendrochilum also require a spelling change because the gender of Dendrochilum is masculine (in Latin) and Coelogyne is feminine. Any species that ended in 'um' will change to 'a' so instead of Dendrochilum glumaceum this is now called a Coelogyne glumacea.





MID-HUDSON ORCHID SOCIETY

ORCHID SHOW & SALE

Spring 2024

Saturday, April 13, 2024 11am — 4pm

Wallkill View Farm Market and Garden Center
 15 Route 299 West, New Paltz, NY 12561
 Located in the large greenhouse to the left of the market



Free Admission!

Multiple vendors will have a large assortment of different Orchids and Orchid supplies available.

2 pm - Orchid Potting Demonstration and Clinic

Beautiful display of gorgeous blooming Orchids

MHOS members will be available to answer any of your orchid care questions. Stop by our Membership table.

Raffles!



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For further information, please email Brenda L. Decker, MHOS President at president@mhorchidsociety.com

“COME SEE OUR BLOOMERS!”

NUTMEG STATE ORCHID SOCIETY

SHOW & SALE



Beautiful Orchids from all over the world will be displayed by our Hobbyists, Commercial Growers and Orchid Societies

Exhibits - Orchid & Supply Vendors

Related Arts & Crafts

Door Prizes!

Admission is \$10 children 12 & under free

Cash or Check

Public Invited and Welcomed!

Call: 860-677-0504

Email: myhalik@comcast.net

Visit: www.nutmegorchids.org

Saturday March 16, 2024

12 noon - 5 pm

Sunday March 17, 2024

10 am - 4 pm



NUTMEG STATE
ORCHID
SOCIETY

Conservation Through Knowledge



The West Hartford Meeting & Conference Center
50 South Main Street West Hartford, CT
Wheelchair Accessible

ATTENTION PHOTO BUFFS: On Sunday, March 18th 2024 orchid show will be open from 8 to 9:45 am for photographers only!!! Tripods will be allowed during this time. All tripods must be removed at 9:45 am. \$10 per person

Oh boy here we go!!! Show starts Friday the 1st and we are off to the races,

Could use some more help on all 4 days.

Reach out to the Show Committee at nhos-show@nhorchids.org.

Thank you, looking forward to seeing you all at the show!

Andrea
Show Chair



2024 NHOS Show and Sale

Date: Wednesday: February 28 thru Sunday March 3, 2024

Vendor Shipment Intake: Wed. Feb. 28th

Set-up: Thursday February 29th

Ribbon Judging: Friday: 8AM-12PM (Lunch: 12-1PM)

Show Hours: Friday: 1-5PM - General Admission

Saturday: 8-9AM - Photographers Only*

Saturday: 9-5PM - General Admission

Sunday: 8-9AM - Photographers only*

Sunday: 9-4PM - General Admission

Place: Courtyard at Marriott

2200 Southwood Drive

Nashua, NH



NHOS Member's Co-Op Table

All Members wishing to sell plants or other articles should contact Susan Usseglio at 603-465-2612 or via email susan@nhorchids.org.

REQUIREMENTS FOR SELLING PLANTS ON THE CO-OP TABLE

There isn't any limit on the number of plants each member can sell. Please provide a listing to include (your name, plant name and price) with a line item for each plant. Double tag your plants with name of plant, your name/initials and price on each tag; accounting is very important and members that do not provide a listing of plants and without the double tag will need to do so before plants can be placed on the table for sale.

PREPARING PLANTS FOR SALE

Inspect your plants for insects and signs of disease; plants deemed to be in poor condition, diseased or pest affected will be removed from the table. Groom your plants to look sellable. It is understood that some plants may be recent divisions needing to be secured with rhizome clips or stakes. Keep in mind that many people may handle them during the day.

NON-PLANT ITEMS SHIRTS/PRINTS/POTS ETC.

Requirements for selling non-plant items remains the same as for the selling of plants. In addition to the listing and double tag the total number of each item (i.e., 20 5x7, 30 4x6 or 2-short sleeve, 15 long sleeves, etc.) is also required. Pots, cutting implements, stakes etc. for sale must be cleaned and sterilized.

PARTICIPATION AT THE Co-Op TABLE

Members planning to sell plants/items are expected to volunteer some of their time at the Co-Op table. Please let us know your availability is (days, time and duration and any other considerations).

Thank you for your consideration,

Susan Usseglio

New Hampshire Orchid Society
2023 Show & Sale
Ribbon Judging Volunteers

The 2024 Show and Sale is fast approaching and we would like to get you all thinking about volunteering to participate in Ribbon Judging. Ribbon Judging is held the Friday of the show weekend in the morning, following breakfast, in a team format. The number of plants entered for judging dictates the number of teams that are needed.

Each team consists of a Team Captain who is an AOS judge and will keep you all together and the Head Clerk who is responsible for the recording of the “official” results. Everyone is asked to travel together as a team, look for and point out the plants in each class, and voice an opinion regarding what ribbon, if any, is to be awarded. It is expected that this be a relaxed learning experience, with discussion as to why various choices are made. In our experience, staying together as a team is crucial to everyone feeling included.

The task of filling out the ribbons with the date/class/plant number and placing it on the plant shall be shared among the clerks. We have found that if clerks are designated to take care of first only, second only and third, it speeds up the process for everyone but the goal is to remain together as a team.

Once a category is completed, gather as a group and compare all of the first-place plants for that category and determine the Best of the Best for that group. Some awards, including “Best Species” and “Best Specimen” are determined by each Team nominating a candidate plant. The nominees are chosen by each team and the Team Leaders all meet and consider all the nominees and vote.

All teams should be on the “lookout” for plants to be considered for AOS judging, which happens in the afternoon following Ribbon Judging.

Following Ribbon Judging you are all invited to enjoy the fabulous Buffet lunch as a “Thank YOU”. After lunch you can enjoy the show or observe the process of AOS judging seeing how it differs from Ribbon Judging.

We hope you will consider volunteering for this task. Persons who attended last year and were new to the Society were enlightened by the educational experience.

Thank you for your consideration.

Susan Usseglio – Ribbon Judging Chair



Dendrochilum quadrilobium



Cym. Cherry Blossom 'Profusian'



Epi. centropetalum

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Deadline for submission of articles is
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If your address changes, you must
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you can continue to receive any notices
and newsletters.

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