



NHOS Newsletter

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Photos of the last month's show table are compliments of Lee Bob Brockmann.



BOD meeting: 10:00 a.m.
Culture Clinic 10:30 a.m.
Plants for Show Table judging
must be on the table by 11:00 a.m.
General Meeting 11:30 a.m.

February 4

We'll discuss how to prepare your plants for display at our annual show.

March 10

Dr. Peter Faletra from Crossroads Academy is happy to present their Cypripedium restoration project to NHOS at the March meeting. He will be joined by the Junior High School student who are actually doing the flasking and culture aspects.

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21st Annual Show & Sale
Presented by New Hampshire Orchid Society

February 10 ~ 12, 2012 Radisson Hotel, Nashua, NH

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*Please join us at the Radisson Hotel in Nashua, NH, February 10 ~ 12, 2012 as New Hampshire Orchid Society celebrates our 21st Annual Show with a spectacular exhibition called **Parade of Orchids**.*

Attendees will enjoy access to orchid exhibits, floral displays, artwork, and plant vendors as well as vendors of orchid-related gifts, merchandise and supplies; Daily instant raffle winners and door prize drawing on Sunday. Also included, free guided tours and a full schedule of workshops and speakers.

The Show opens on Friday Feb. 10, from 1:00 to 5:00 pm, and re-opens that evening from 7:30 to 9:30 pm for awards ceremony, dessert buffet and cash bar. Weekend hours - Saturday, Feb. 11, open from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm, and Sunday, Feb. 12, from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm.

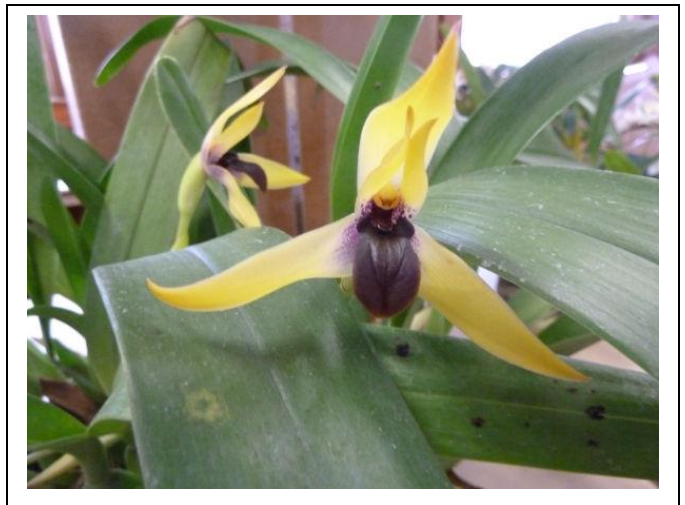
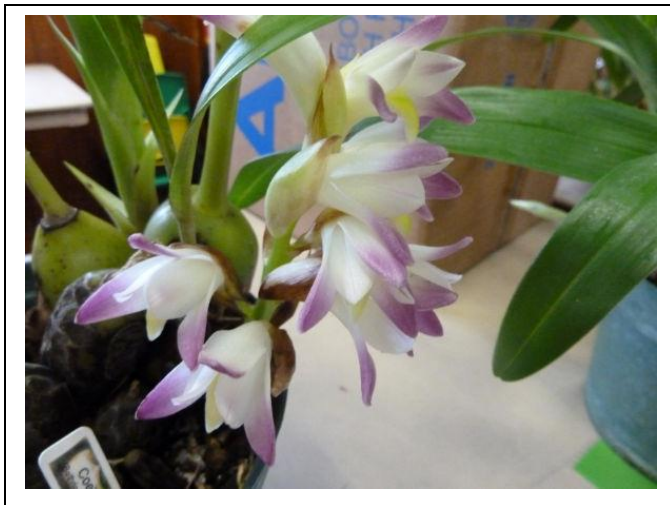
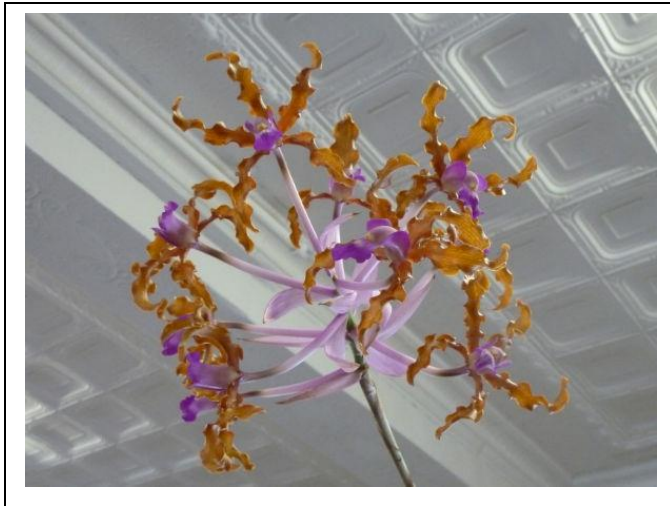
Admission ~ Adults \$10.00, Seniors (65+) \$6.00, Students \$6.00 (with valid student ID) and Children 12 and under free. Sorry, no advanced purchase for General Admission.

Evening Awards Ceremony and Dessert Buffet ~ \$25.00 at the door or \$20.00 if purchased in advance by Feb. 01, 2012. Also includes admission to Show during all daytime hours on Friday, Saturday and Sunday.

3-Day Daytime Pass ~ \$15.00 Includes admission to Show Friday Feb. 10 from 1:00 to 5:00 pm, Saturday Feb. 11 from 9:00 am to 5:00 pm and Sunday Feb. 12 from 9:00 am to 4:00 pm. (Award Ceremony and Dessert Buffet NOT included).

Award Ceremony tickets and 3-Day Passes ONLY may be purchased in advance. Please send check (no cash) and SASE to NHOS, PO Box 5375, Manchester, NH 03108.





Educational Programs for 2012 Orchid Show	
Friday	
1:00 pm (approximate starting time)	<p><i>AOS Judging</i></p> <p>Judges from the American Orchid Society will decide if any plants from our show qualify for AOS awards. Orchid judging is open to the public.</p>
Saturday	
10:30 am	<p><i>"My One and Only (Award Winning) Orchid"</i></p> <p>Jerry Kessler, NHOS member soon to be featured in April Orchids magazine</p>
noon	<p><i>"Maudiae Paphs"</i></p> <p>Tim Culbertson, American Orchid Society Judge</p>
1:30 pm	<p><i>"Orchid Collection of the Smithsonian"</i></p> <p>Thomas Mirenda, orchid collection specialist at the Smithsonian Institution</p>
3:00 pm	<p><i>"Growing Orchids in the Home"</i></p> <p>Mike Mattozzi, President of the New Hampshire Orchid Society</p>
Sunday	
11:30 am	<p><i>"Orchid Pests and Diseases"</i></p> <p>Daryl Yerdon, owner of Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies</p>
1:00 pm	<p><i>"Native Orchids of the North East"</i></p> <p>George Newman</p>
2:30 pm	<p><i>"Orchid Addiction"</i></p> <p>Bob Cleveland, owner of Bob Cleveland Orchids</p>

Volunteer Schedule

Thursday – Feb. 9

Storage Unit 7:00 AM – 19 Kessler Farm Dr., Nashua, NH (Rte.3, off exit 8)

Load rental truck with all show items from storage unit, including pipe and drape, light fixtures and bases, and storage tubs filled with show-related items. Drive truck to hotel.

Radisson Hotel 8:00 AM until Done – 11 Tara Blvd., Nashua, NH (Rte.3, off exit 1)

1. Unload rental truck and use glass door entrance in Ashwood Court to carry items to Ballroom.
2. Assemble and install pipe and drape around the perimeter of the exhibit area.
3. Assemble and install light fixtures in both the exhibit and vendor area.
4. Hang, affix and place signs in the ballroom, lobby and foyer.

Plant Registration – 10 AM to 6 PM – Amherst Room

Pickup pre-registration tags or register plants for judging.

Hospitality/Breakroom – 10 AM to 6 PM – Bedford Room

Beverages and food shall be provided for workers, vendors and exhibitors. NO PUBLIC ENTRY.

NHOS Exhibit – All plants must be available by 10 AM !!

Friday – Feb. 10

Continental Breakfast Buffet Provided by NHOS – 7:30 AM - Ashwood Court

Judges and clerks are invited for breakfast buffet and orientation meeting.

Ribbon Judging – 8:30 AM until approx. Noon – Meet at Ashwood Court

Teams of judges and clerks shall evaluate plants and award ribbons and trophies.

Judges Luncheon Buffet – Noon to 1 PM – Northwood Room (No Host Bar)

Judges and clerks are invited to luncheon buffet provided by NHOS.

Parade of Orchids Show Opens – 1 PM to 5 PM

Volunteers report to Admissions, Membership Table, NHOS Store/Raffle Table, Member Co-Op Table, and Guided Tour duty.

AOS Judging – 1PM to End – Wentworth Room

Judges from American Orchid Society will decide if any plants from our show qualify for AOS awards. Viewing is open to the public.

Award Ceremony and Dessert Buffet – 7:30 PM to 10:00 PM - Grand Ballroom Center Area

Dessert Buffet and Cash Bar is located between the exhibit and vendor area. Ribbon judging winners are announced and trophies are presented.

Volunteers report to Admissions, Membership Table, NHOS Store/Raffle Table, and Member Co-Op Table.

Saturday – Feb. 11 9 AM to 5 PM and Sunday – Feb. 12 – 9 AM to 4 PM

8 AM – Photographers are allowed entry to the exhibit area at no charge for one hour prior to show opening.

9 AM– Parade of Orchids Show Opens

Volunteers report to duty for Admissions, Membership Table, NHOS Store/Raffle Table, Member Co-Op Table, and Guided Tours.

Hospitality/Breakroom – Bedford Room. NO PUBLIC ENTRY.

Speaker Programs - Northwood Room. Check schedule

Storage – Amherst Room. NHOS items, bins and boxes as well as vendor plant storage.

Teardown – Sunday 4 PM Until Done - All Hands On Deck!!!!

Retrieve all plants and personal belongings.

Disassemble pipe and drape, lighting fixtures and remove signs and banners.

Pack items in storage bins and boxes provided.

Check all rooms for NHOS items. Gather the sign stands in the lobby and foyer!

Load rental truck with all show items for transport to storage unit.

Unload rental truck at the storage unit and lock the door!

Dear 2012 Show Volunteer,

Thank you for signing up to help with our show, Parade of Orchids this year. A volunteer Schedule is posted in this newsletter and will also be available at the meeting at Bedford Town Hall on February 4th. A complete list of 2012 Show Team Assignments will also be available. Or check with the team leader listed below to find out where and when you volunteered.

It is not too late to sign up – ALL jobs are still available!

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P.S. – We still need trophy sponsors for Best Cattleya, Best Cymbidium, Best Dendrobium, Best Oncidium, Best Pleurothallid, Best Misc. Genera, Best Artistic Display and Best New Exhibitor.





AOS Corner

While surfing AOS website for a topic for this month's AOS Corner, I came across a little known project of the, the Species Identification Task Force (SITF) AOS (in full disclosure, I have to admit it is little known by me probably because I am not a judge). SITF is under the supervision of the Judging Committee of the AOS and its mission is to try to improve and simplify the processing of awards, with the goal of ensuring that awarded species are correctly named. Members of the Task Force are not necessarily taxonomic experts but individuals who use reference material to confirm the identity of submitted awards. When the SITF collective expertise and reference collections are not adequate, members of the task force turn to a network of qualified experts.

The discussion on their website goes on to describe that the "task force replaces the previous cumbersome identification and verification procedure, which often involved shipping plant material to a taxonomic expert. The SITF, using today's electronic communications capabilities and readily available high quality digital images, hopes to facilitate the process of identifying awarded plants and to get the process done in a timely manner. Most awarded species do not need a taxonomist for identification, if reference material is available. When reference material is not available we use taxonomic experts who are willing to give opinions based on digital photographs. Occasionally awards will require in depth investigation by a taxonomic specialist, and SITF coordinates this when it is required." Their webpage also provides links to a variety of other resources which any orchidist would find interesting to explore. To find out more about the SITF check out their site at <http://www.aosforum.org/sitf> - you should all enjoy exploring this site.

This SITF page on the AOS website is an example of the vast amount of information on the AOS website.

We are in the middle of an exciting show season and I hope you all will try to support the shows in your areas. Some that are on my radar screen for this year will be the 2012 Philadelphia International Flower Show. AOS will again be putting in an exhibit at this world renowned event. Last year 265,000 attendees visited this show over its 7 days. The theme this year is *Hawaii: Islands of Aloha*. A committee has been put together and we will be soliciting plant material and volunteers for 'manning' the site. Another show is the Spring Members' Meeting of the AOS. This will be hosted by the Wichita Orchid Society. More information on these two shows (including how to register for the Members' Meeting) will be forthcoming on the AOS website under Events.

Hope you all had a great holiday and New Years.

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Orchid Conservation Coalition
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Upcoming Events

February 4 Regional Monthly AOS
Orchid Judging

February 4 Monthly Meeting

February 9 Show setup and
registration - Radisson Hotel, Nashua,
NH

February 10 Ribbon Judging

February 10 -12 21st Annual Show
"Parade of Orchids"

March 3 Regional Monthly AOS
Orchid Judging

March 10 Monthly Meeting

April 7 Regional Monthly AOS
Orchid Judging

April 14 Monthly Meeting

Save the Date for the IPA
Focus on Phals Day on
Saturday,

September 8, 2012

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