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Windward Orchid Society's In-Person Events are Indefinitely Sidelined by the Coronavirus Pandemic.



May this season bring to mind your loved ones and good times.

Be filled with thankfulness and happiness.

Remember on Thanksgiving Day, don't eat until you're full; Eat 'til you're tired.

Thank you for being a part of our Windward Orchid Society.

A Message From Our President

Aloha All,

I hope you are all well. Please continue to practice safety measures to stay healthy. We will commence meetings when it is safe to do so, and the school allows use of their facilities. We will not be having a Christmas party this year.



On behalf of the Windward Orchid Society, we are sad to report the passing of one of our Lifetime members, Hazel Basuel. She was a positive, strong supporter and contributor to our members' and society's success. Hazel was a Lifetime member, Orchidist of the Year and Orchidist of the Decade. She served as a Board member and was Co-chair for our Annual Spring Show, and Host and Hostess Chairperson. Our sincere condolences go out to her husband Larry and her family.

Aloha,
Karen Kim, WOS President

Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

As we move towards the end of the year, we notice the days becoming shorter. As we mentioned last month, this signals the end of the growing season and the start of the blooming season for many orchids.

Phalaenopsis and single flowering Paphiopedilums will be initiating flower spikes. Make sure that while they are spiking you do not change their alignment to the sun, or the spikes will twist.

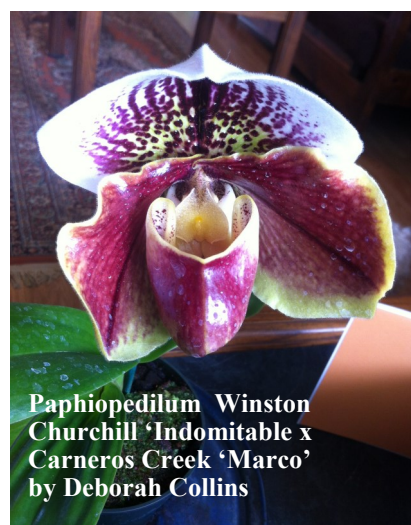
Also remember that the sun is dropping towards our horizon in the southerly direction. In other words, southern exposures will be subjected to higher light intensities. This could cause sunburn on leaves.

Also note that the temperatures are finally starting to cool down. Combined with increasing rainfall, watering will need to be cut back. During these times try to let your orchids dry slightly between waterings. This will help to deter fungal infections.



Making these changes in your orchid culture will keep them healthy going into our winter season.

Aloha,
Scot



Having trouble emailing your orchid picture? Send an email without a picture to WOS808@yahoo.com for help.

Because we have long serving Board Members stepping down, the search is on for members to step up.

Due to changes in the lives of some of our Board Members, the following positions are now open:

President, one Trustee, and Recording Secretary. Then, at our next election, we will need someone to produce our newsletters. Please contact us at ([email address on hard copy only](#)) for more information on how you might fill one of these vacancies.

Windward Orchid Society Cookbook, 2nd Edition needs your recipes.

Please help us create a 2nd Edition of our popular cookbook.

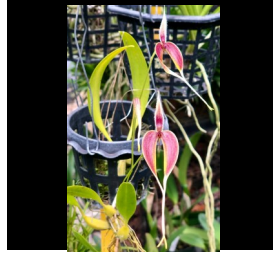
Email your favorite recipes to ([email address on hard copy only](#)).

**WOS
Corner**

Recent contributions by our membership to
ORCHIDS UNMASKED and **ORCHID E.R.** at
www.WindwardOrchidSociety.Org



Vanda Dhongchai
 By Walter Hiraishi



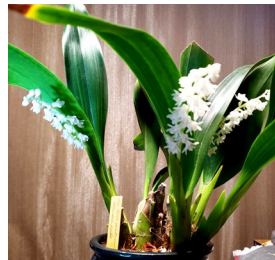
Bulbophyllum blumei
 By Patti Kawahakui



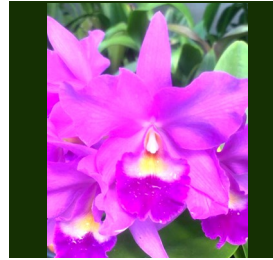
C. Volcano Island
 Volcano Queen
 By Elaine Higa



Bulb. medusae
 By Sheron Harwood



Blc. Fort Watson
 'Mendenhall'
 By Sharon Matsuyama



Ctt. Portia
 By Diane Robello



Brassavola nodosa
 'Remar' x nodosa
 'Mas Mejor' By
 Deborah & Fred Collins



Onc. Rosy Sunset 'F'
 By Steve Canham

Here are a few of our recent contributions to our website. Aren't they nice? This is a small sampling of the varied and attractive orchids grown and shared by our membership. If you get a chance, please visit our website at www.windwardorchidsociety.org. There you will find interesting tidbits about these and many other orchids. When you click on an orchid picture on our website, you get a large close-up view of each plant.

Remember too, that as a member, you can use ORCHID E.R. to get advice and information about your specific plant and plant problem from horticulturist Scot Mitamura, our WOS Orchid Doctor. This is an amazing benefit for our membership. We encourage you to participate so that you can have more information about your orchids and be able to grow them better.

We hope you will have time to snap a picture with your iPhone and email it to scot@windwardorchidsociety.org. Please provide the name of your orchid if known, otherwise just say that it is a No Name. Also add a little information about where you got it or if there is a fragrance or anything that you find interesting about your orchid.

For questions to Scot, take a picture of the problem, along with the name of the orchid and email your inquiry to scot@windwardorchidsociety.org. Scot Mitamura will share his knowledge and experience to help provide answers.

Mahalo Nui Loa to the following members who sent in contributions last month.

Steve Canham, Deborah & Fred Collins, Sheron Harwood, Elaine Higa, Walter Hiraishi, Patti Kawahakui, Sharon Mastuyama, Diane Robello, and our Orchid Doctor: Scot Mitamura.

Aloha, Deborah Collins

WOS Officers 2019-2021:	Acting President Karen Kim	Vice-President Karen Kim	Recording Secretary (Vacancy)
Treasurer Ariel Harwood	Corresponding Secretary Deborah Collins	Trustees: (2019-2022) (Vacancy)	Toni Walker
Fred Collins	(2018-2021) Duncan Chun	Wendy Saito	Dot Sakamoto
(2017-2020) Steve Canham	C.J. Kalopodes		
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The WOS meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the King Intermediate School Cafeteria (except in June & December), unless otherwise rescheduled by a pandemic.