

February 2020

# Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING will be on Wednesday**, **February 5, 2020** at 7:00 p.m. at the King Intermediate School Cafeteria.

# We need your Kokua at our WOS Spring Show on March 20-22, 2020.

Start saving cardboard boxes and newspaper, bring them on Wednesday, March 18. Start watching your orchids for blooms, especially as it gets closer to the show—we need as many flowering orchids as possible for our display. Please bring them on Thursday, Mar 19, before 10am. Spread the word about our show!



Volunteers are needed to help with refreshments on Wednesday and Thursday, as well as helping with lunch on Thursday. If you're interested please contact Susan Lim.

### **Important Dates to Remember:**

#### Wednesday Morning: March 18, 2020 starting at 9:00 am

We will need help in setting up the gym. Volunteers are needed to set up tables and chairs, set up the display area, cover the tables, assist with bringing everything from our storage, assist in unloading plants and materials from vehicles, etc..

#### Wednesday Afternoon: starting at 1:00 pm to 9 pm

We will need help making boxes, crushing newspaper, and continue to set up. Put up signs. Bring any boxes you collected. If you have plants to bring for our display and cannot come on Thursday, you may bring them that evening. Assist with setting up our Country Store.

#### Thursday, March 19, 2020 starting at 9:00 am

We will need your help setting up our display, the County Store, and getting ready for the first day of our show. Bring in your flowering plants for our display by 10:00 a.m.

We need your help to make our show a success!! Please sign up to volunteer for the various committees listed below, we really need people for the parking areas, cashier, admissions, country store, and host & hostess committees.

#### Sign-up sheets will be available at the General Membership Meeting.

Please sign-up to volunteer on at least one of the following committees: Admissions - see Lee Deir -220-8220 or Lynn Chang - 457-8374 Cashiers - see Dot Sakamoto - 226-2393 or 236-4104 Country Store - see Toni Walker - 292-1407 Host/Hostess – **we need a chairperson**, see Susan Lim – 728-1014 Parking - see Al Lindo, 722-3516 Membership Sign-up - see Grace Nishigaya - 383-8485 Set-up - see CJ Kalopodes - 247-3136 Storage Sign-up - see Craig Nakahara - 284-4218 Signs and Banners -see Fred Collins - 294-7475

Volunteers who work 8 or more hours will receive a free WOS tee-shirt, during the Show. You may sign-up for any number of committees during the 3 days of the show. We encourage you to bring your family and friends to volunteer.

All volunteers (members and non-members) are invited to attend an Appreciation Luncheon.

Show tickets and flyers will be available at the February meeting. Admission is Free - donations are appreciated. We need your help in promoting our show and getting the word out to as many people and businesses as possible. OUR GUESTS DON'T HAVE TO BE ORCHID GROWERS TO ENJOY THE SHOW!

We need everyone to come out on Wednesday for set-up and Sunday to help clean-up!!!

Feel free to contact the Show Chairperson: Susan Lim – 728-1014, for additional information.

## A Message From Our President

Dear WOS Members,

It was refreshing to see everyone at the meeting, ready to embrace the new year and learn about orchid species.

Our young and knowledgeable speaker, Adam Almeida, gave us Part 2 on the topic of species.

Dot's workshop on Ti Leaf Lei making was well attended. Next month's workshop will be on how to make a Haku Lei.

Finally, we hope to put together an Orchid Safari!

See you at our Feb. 5th General Meeting!

Mahalo, Craig Nakahara, WOS President

### Roy Tokunaga

Roy Tokunaga of H&R Nurseries will be the featured speaker at Wednesday's (February 5th) meeting of the Windward Orchid Society.

Roy's topic will be the "Catch of the Day". He will definitely surprise us with a topic that's sure to capture your interest to improve your knowledge of orchids

Don't forget to come early, he may bring some plants to sell.

~Karen & Craig

### Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

Rain, rain, go away! January has been a really wet month for us. Our orchids have been saturated. Lots of fungal infections throughout the collection. Go out and cut away all black and brown infections at least an inch ahead of the infection. Dry the area out and spray fungicide on the orchid and surrounding areas. Remember that splashing water can spread the fungus in a three foot radius. Moss in the orchid pots are ok, it is just an indicator of lots of rainwater and that the orchid has not been repotted in a while.

Black fungus gnats are also a problem. They are more of an indicator of overly wet media or soil around the orchids. They don't feed on the orchids. Once things dry up they tend to go away. You can spray with the Bayer 3-in-1 and repot your orchid into a dryer mix.

Hono Hono flowering this year might be late and poor due to the untimely rain. December to February should be the dry dormant months for them. Hopefully we will see some buds initiating by the end of the month. Don't forget March brings us into our annual show. If February brings us better weather we still have a chance for flowers March.  $\sim$  Scot

#### 2020 WOS Culture Awards

Please bring your blooming and groomed orchids to share at our General Membership meetings. Place them on the table in the front of the room on the table. Time permitting, we try to provide commentary about each plant. You may learn something about your plant that you did not know. Perhaps you will find out the name of your orchid, or perhaps learn about its origin. We will all gain more knowledge about the orchids from these reviews.

Fill-out the short form with your name and the name, or type, of your orchid and place it under your plant.

If you have been a WOS member for 0 to 4 years, put your plant in the Novice group. If you have been a WOS member for 5 to 8 years, put your plant in the Intermediate group. If you've been a WOS member for 9 or more years then your plant goes in the Masters group.

You may be surprised. Your orchid could be awarded and you might go home with a new orchid plant as a prize.

JANUARY REFRESHMENTS CONTRIBUTORS	Aloha and Welcome	Haku Lei Making Workshop
<b>Mahalo</b> to Liz Mihlbauer, Evelyn Monden, Nadine Chun, Esther Monk, Dee & Dave Ziemann, Sherry Tsutsumi,	To Our New Members:	Learn how to make Haku Leis at the Saturday Workshop.
Susan Lim, Nancy & Rob, Craig Nakahara, and anyone I might have inadvertently missed!	David Mendoza	Bring flowers and ferns on Saturday, February 8th at 9:30
~ Craig	& Margaret Bauer	a.m. at Dot's House. For directions, call 236-4104.

# WOS January Orchid Culture Awards



1st Place – Novice Division Trichoglottis smithii Owner: Shannon Gray



1st Place – Intermediate Division Vanda Rev. Masao Yamada Owner: Duncan Chun



1st Place – Master Division Paph. Leeanum Owner: Dot Sakamoto



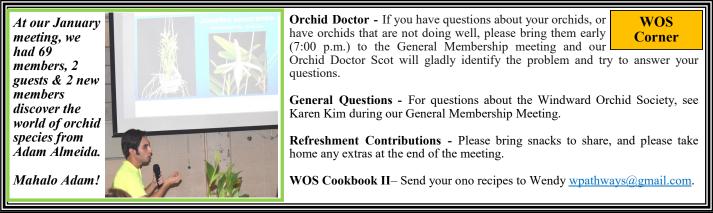
2nd Place – Novice Division Paph. Leeanum Owner: Meldy Villanueva



2nd Place – Intermediate Division Phalaenopsis King Shang's Rose x Taisuco Firebird, Owner: Dave Ziemann



2nd Place – Master Division, Lc. Melody Fair 'Carol' x Blc. Meditation 'Lahaina Lipstick' Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura



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