



Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's July 2020 Events Are Canceled.

A Message From Our President



WOS Members,

Unfortunately, we are still unable to meet as the Governor hasn't lifted the order to allow groups of 50 or more to meet inside a facility and the DOE still has not opened their doors to groups to use their facilities.

With that being said, there will be no WOS General meeting in July, but I am going to approach the board and see if there is a possibility of us doing a Zoom meeting. We can host a Zoom meeting or Webinar with any member who has a camera and mic on their computer or their phones. HOS has held their first meeting in June and the HOS Judges held one as well. Everything seemed to run smoothly, especially since instructions were emailed out and I will ask the HOS board if we could use their instructions that they put together.

We appreciate your patience and support as we try to find ways for us to still operate via social media. If you have any ideas, please don't hesitate to email it to me at (email address available on hard copy only).

Also, since we haven't been able to meet our election has been placed on hold. The WOS board has suggested that we keep the current officers for another term and forgo an election, however if there are any members in good standing that would like to be considered for an officers position or trustee, please email me your name and phone no. to (email address available on hard copy only) we do restart our meetings you will be able to share them with us. Please continue to check our WOS website www.windwardorchidsociety.com and share your blooming orchids with us.

Stay safe, healthy, and have a HAPPY 4TH OF JULY!!!

Mahalo,
Craig Nakahara, President

University of Hawaii Library Rare Orchid Books Viewing Has Been Shelved

Due to Covid-19 continuing closures, I went ahead and advised my contacts at the UH that we will NOT be coming to the campus to view their rare books.

I left it as an open item, that possibly in the spring of 2021 I would contact them with the hopes that we can set something set up for the Summer of 2021.

I hope you all are safe & healthy and have been able to really get your orchids into spectacular shape!! I know mine are looking pretty darn good for a change, but I could do better.....always.

Take care all of you! Hopefully see you sometime in 2020??

MAHALO!
Sheron Harwood, Director

Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

July brings us into the long and hot days of summer. Our orchid plants should be growing fast, in fact this is when they will put on most of their growth and store the most food reserves. To take advantage of this, we need to water heavily and more frequently. Many of your mounted or hanging orchids should be watered daily or more. Take notice how fast the plants dry out. Combine this with brisk trade winds, it's amazing how much water the orchids need in the summer. For those who fail to do this, their orchids will just sputter along and just exist, but not thrive. How many of you have these types of orchids? Now we know what to change!

The summer heat brings a plethora of pest problems. I am already getting the most common complaint about flower spikes and new shoots drying up and turning brown. Of course it's the dreaded flower thrip. Remember the Bayer 3 n 1. Spray the spikes early before the damage occurs and you should get nice flowers. Another common summer pest problem is the spider mite. They cause a silver to brown damage on the under sides of the leaves. This area is a safe area that normally does not get watered. I like to water under my orchid leaves to avoid this, provide adequate spacing, and air movement. This will all help to control spider mites. The Bayer 3 n 1 will also do the trick, but make sure you treat under the leaves. This product contains an insecticide, a miticide, and a fungicide. So it will pretty much cover most of your orchids summer pests.

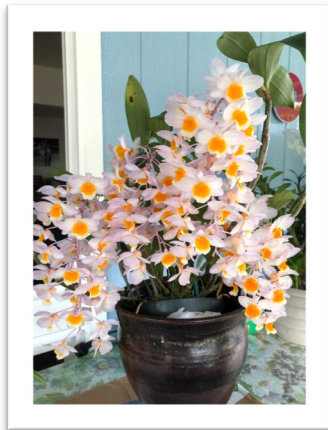
If you have problems you can't figure out, please do not hesitate to email your questions to WOS808@Yahoo.com and we will post answers and your questions on Orchid E. R.

Until we meet again.....keep on spending time with your orchids, it's the best way to keep social distance!

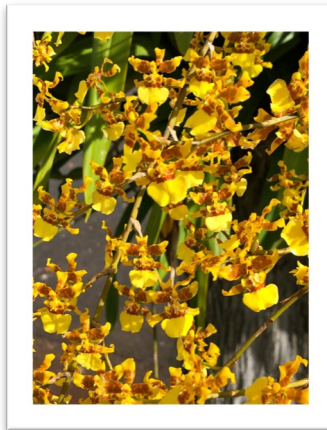
Aloha, Scot

Orchids Unmasked and Orchid E.R.

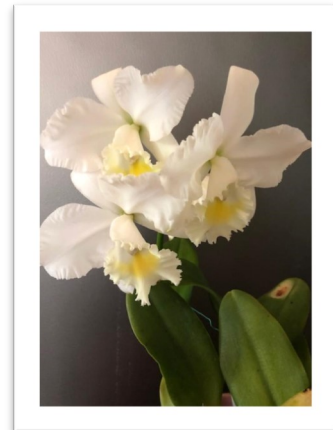
Here is a sampling of the beauty and variety of orchids grown by our WOS members that can be found on our WOS website at www.windwardorchidsociety.com.



Den. Rosy Cluster
Owner: Walter Hiraishi



Popcorn Orchids
Owner: Patti Kawahakui



C. Marjorie Hausermann
'York'
Owner: Bianca Kam

The orchid family has 28,000 species . That's twice the number of bird species. And about four times the number of 6,400 mammal species!

So, how many orchid types do our WOS members grow? Snap a picture of your orchid with your iPhone or tablet and email it to WOS808@Yahoo.com along with the orchid's name, if known. We'll get them on our website at Orchids Unmasked for all to enjoy!

If you have an orchid or two that could be doing better, please send in pictures of those too. Our orchid doctor, Scot Mitamura, might be able to suggest ways to get it growing better. We'll get those questions and answers posted to Orchid E.R. for all to learn from.

Windward Orchid Society Membership for
July 1, 2020 to June 30, 2021

Please complete and mail the form below with a check payable to WOS or Windward Orchid Society.

 Renewal **WOS APPLICATION** **New Member**

Mail to: Windward Orchid Society, Inc. P.O. Box 23, Kaneohe, HI 96744

Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Phone: _____ Cell: _____ Work: _____

E-mail: _____ Date: _____

Amount Enclosed: _____ Paid By: _____ Check No. _____ Cash: _____ Credit Card: _____

 Regular Membership - \$25.00

 Regular & Associate (Partner) Membership - \$35.00

 Associate (Partner only) Membership - \$10.00

 Lifetime Membership \$300.00

WOS Corner	<p>We still need recipes for our WOS Cookbook II. You can mail your recipes to our PO Box or email your recipes to Wendy at (email address available on hard copy only).</p>		<p>Please Remember To Renew Your WOS Membership For July 2020 to June 2021!</p>
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WOS Officers 2019-2020: President *Craig Nakahara* Vice-President *Karen Kim* Recording Secretary *Dawn Bonak*
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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.