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# Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's Next Meeting is scheduled for  
**Wednesday, April 7, 2010**  
at 7:30 p.m. in the Benjamin Parker School Cafeteria

- 🌸 The Orchid Workshop with Scot Mitamura will start at 7:00 p.m.
- 🌸 Don't forget to bring your blooming plants to share with your fellow members.

## **“ Warm Tolerant Masdevallias ”**

### **Guest Speaker: Dale Miyasaki**

Dale first became interested in orchids when he attended a Honolulu Orchid Society meeting with Bryan Lee in 1980 and has been hooked since then. He specializes in Cattleya, Paphiopedilum, Dendrobium (sect. Latourea), and Catasetum/Cynoches and has hybridized many plants such as the Blc. Nuuanu Fantasy, Blc. Nuuanu Flare, Blc. Nuuanu Lime Delight, Pot. Nuuanu Fireball, Slc. Nuuanu Starfire, Slc. Nuuanu Surprise and the Den. Nuuanu Charm. If you notice that there is a common word in each of these plant names, he sells his orchid plants under the name Nuuanu Orchids. After a brief period of not hybridizing plants, he started again in 2009 and is focusing on compact growing cattleyas using parents such as Slc. Circle of Life and Slc. Final Touch. Dale was Honolulu Orchid Society's Orchidist of the Year in 1995 and has won numerous AOS & HOS merit awards and is also an Accredited Judge with the American Orchid Society and Honolulu Orchid Society. He is a freelance web developer that has developed the WOS website. Dale will have some Masdevallias for sale at the meeting.

This month's **Orchid Workshop** is scheduled for Saturday, April 10, 2010 at Dorothy Sakamoto's house. The workshop will begin at 9:30 am at 45-663 Luluku Road, Kaneohe. This month's topic will be "Basic Orchid Culture" and will feature Sheron Harwood as the guest speaker. For more information or directions to her house, please call Dorothy at 236-4104.

**Reminder - we are moving!!** King Intermediate School has agreed to allow us to use their school's cafeteria to hold our General Membership meetings. The move will begin with the May 2010 general membership meeting. See page 3 for more information.

The **2010 Spring Show** is over and what a beautiful show it was!! The WOS display was bigger than in the past years and many of the plants in the display won awards. Check out the WOS website to see photos of the displays and the award winning plants.

The **WOS website has been updated!** There should be more pictures and presentations posted now that Dale has made it easier to use. We will continually be working on the website to make it a resource for you, suggestions are always welcomed. The website can be found at: [www.windwardorchidsociety.org](http://www.windwardorchidsociety.org)



### **Upcoming Events:**

- ◆ **April 7, 2010**  
General Membership Meeting
- ◆ **April 10, 2010**  
Orchid Workshop
- ◆ **May 1-2, 2010**  
Manoa Orchid Society's Orchid Show

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The **Manoa Orchid Society** will be having their Annual Orchid Show at Noelani Elementary School (2655 Woodlawn Drive, Honolulu) on May 1 & 2 from 8:30 am to 4 pm each day. Since April 30th is a furlough Friday, we will be able to start setting up the display at 3:00 pm. If you have blooming plants that you would like to put in the display and won't be able to come to Noelani Elementary, please drop off your plants at Dorothy Sakamoto's house by 1:00 pm and will be leaving at 2:30 pm for Manoa. Breakdown of the display will start at 4:00 pm and everyone is encouraged to come and help with both set up and clean up.

**Elections for Board members and three trustees** will be held at the May 2010 General Membership meeting so if you are interested in running for a board position, please let one of the current Board members know. We will be electing the President, Vice-President, Recording Secretary, Corresponding Secretary, Treasurer and three Trustees. For more information on what the responsibilities are for each position, go to the WOS website and click on the position description banner.

Last month's meeting featured **Randy Tajima** as the guest speaker. Here are some growing tips that he provided on how to grow your phalaenopsis better. To view a full copy of his presentation, go to the WOS website and look under Downloads.

*What do They Need-Really, What do They Want?*

- \* Pretty shady;
- \* Pretty humid (actually really humid);
- \* Pretty moist; lots for are around the roots;
- \* Let it all hang out-leaves hanging down.

*What We Can Do*

- \* Grow them shady-70% shade cloth or 1200 to 2500 foot candles;
- \* Good air circulation, the higher the light and more water, more air, water as needed-the roots need air too;
- \* Water as the media approaches dryness;
- \* Repot when necessary, keeping the root mass as large as possible without rotting.

*What To Do*

- \* Use good fertilizer at a steady, light dosage. Randy adds Superthrive, mushroom extract and Dolomite lime.
- \* Use good, fresh potting media. Media should be moist, yet allow a lot of air around the roots.
- \* Consider mounting hard to grow plants. Use a wide, shallow pot for novelties and species.

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### Cultural Award Winners for the March Meeting

#### First Place

#### Second Place

Novice  
Division:

Phal. Carmela's  
Pixie

Owner: Dee Ziemann



Phal. Sirius x Frozen  
Polaria

Owner: Laura Curtis



Intermediate  
Division:

Dtps. Hsinying  
Mount x Phal  
Hsinying Downlown

Owner: Lois House



Ludisia discolor

Owner: Ann  
Geschwandther



Masters  
Division:

Dtps. Winning,

Owner: Dorothy  
Sakamoto



Bc. Mount Hood  
'Goliath'

Owner: Scot &  
Karen Mitamura





## WOS 30th Annual Orchid and Plant Show “Celebration of Orchids”



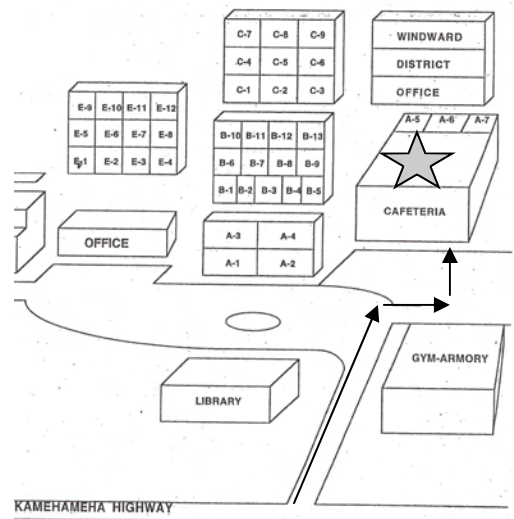
Check out the WOS website for a copy of the Show program and more photos.

## The BIG Move to King Intermediate School in May!!

We are moving our meeting site to King Intermediate School's cafeteria from next month (May 2010). The meetings will still start at 7:00 pm with the Orchid Doctor's session then the General Membership meeting starting at 7:30 pm. Please refer to the map of King Intermediate School's campus so that you'll know where the cafeteria is located and where to park. The cafeteria is located just below the gym, where we have our annual Spring shows.

From Kamehameha Highway, turn into the King School driveway, drive pass the gym, turn right, go down the slight hill and park your car.

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