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"On The Orchid Trail" 12th Spring Show A Big Success

It became apparent on the very first day of the show that we were in for an exceptionally successful show. In spite of the minor glitches inherent in this type of operation (or perhaps because of them!), we were on a roll. You could sense that Shirley Knisley felt upbeat as she kept the rest of us updated on the plant sale results throughout the show. The final tally will not be available until all the bills are in, but all indications are that this is unequivocally the most successful show we have ever had.

To top it all, the icing on the cake was our winning the AOS Trophy for the best display in the show. Our super exhibit was the result of the combined efforts and talents of co-chairs, Hattie Holderbaum, Marlene Lau and Irene Wong. Wahine (female) power has done it again! Congratulations to our terrific trio and our faithful and hard-working members who helped out.

Kudos to Ellie Christie for an outstanding job of publicizing the show. Coverage was excellent, and we feel that this was a major contributing factor toward the success of the show.

Our new trophies were a bit hit, thanks to Scot Mitamura. The artistic ceramic pottery by Jeff Chang received a lot of positive comments, and its earthen quality blended in very well with the rest of the flora and the theme of the show. Thanks, Scot, for suggesting it and for making all the arrangements.

A new and popular feature of this year's show was our culture table capably manned by Ted Sumida, Wilbur Chang, Harold Yonamine and David

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Orchidist of the Year



Marlene Lau Accepts Orchidist of Year Award

Marlene Lau was named "Orchidist of the Year" at the WOS Installation and Awards Banquet held at Natsunoya Tea House on March 9, 1991.

Marlene and her significant other, Herbert, have two adult children. In the six years that they have been members, they have both worked tirelessly for the Society.

Hardly missing any of our monthly membership meetings, Marlene has participated in practically all the orchid shows held throughout the island--even to taking vacation leave from her full-time job at the State District Court to help set up displays. Not surprisingly a few of the displays she has helped to set up have captured awards.

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