



Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's Next Meeting is scheduled for
Wednesday, April 6, 2011
at 7:30 p.m. in the King Intermediate 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 me

ABC'S

The Abc's of Growing O. R. C. H. I. D. S.
Guest Speaker: **Sheron Harwood**



Our featured speaker knows how to capture the audience's attention during her presentations. She is dynamic, enthusiastic and truly believes that talking to your orchids is a great way to let them know that you want to see them grow and showcase their beautiful flowers (or to let your neighbor know that you belong in the looney house) LOL. Sheron Harwood will share her personal experiences with ORCHIDS (letter by letter). By the end of the meeting, each and everyone of you will be able to relate to her examples.....and it's okay to laugh or smile.....inside we are truly orchid lovers...not killers. Hopefully you will leave inspired and pick up a tip or two. As for our new members, isn't it nice to know that even our most knowledgeable growers will kill a few plants, every once in a while.

President's Message: I want to personally THANK everyone for a job well done, without everyone working together; we as individuals would not have been able to put on a show like we did. In the heat of everything, there were moments when I asked myself, **"Is it worth putting the show on?" My answer was Yes!** The show was **GREAT!**, displays were **AWESOME!**, and the fellowship, as usual was the highlight of the show. Seeing and talking to orchid lovers, members sharing new ideas, and passing on information to new members is what its all about. Once again, I am very grateful to all the members that helped. Mahalo to everyone and hope to see you back for the WOS Show in March 16—18, 2012.

Election is coming up May! Start thinking of members who you think would be good candidates for the following positions:

- * **President** * **Vice President** * **Treasurer** * **Recording Secretary** *
- * **Corresponding Secretary** * **Trustee** * **Trustee** * **Trustee** *

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ April 6, 2011
Gen Membership Meeting
- ◆ April 9, 2011
Orchid Workshop
9:30 am at Dot's House
- ◆ May 4, 2011
Gen Membership Meeting
- ◆ May 14, 2011
Orchid Workshop
9:30 am at Dot's House

WOS Officers

President *Larry Kamiya* **Vice-President** *Ed Catrett* **Recording Secretary** *Jane Laninga*
Treasurer *Sheron Harwood* **Corresponding Secretary** *Craig Nakahara*

Trustees

Elizabeth Ajifu Ruby Hiraishi Walter Hiraishi David Kagawa Karen Kim Adam Kono
Scot Mitamura Lorenzo Ordinado Toni Walker

Director *Dot Sakamoto* **Membership** *Michele Young & Norma Young* **Hospitality/Refreshments** *Fran Craft*

Cultural Awards for March

Novice (Less than 2 years of membership)

**1st
Place**



Bollopetlum Midnight Blue

Owner: Samantha Vincent

Intermediate (Between 2 and 4 years of membership)

**1st
Place**



Tric. Rubra Alba

Owner: Dave Ziemann

**2nd
Place**



Psy. Hybrid

Owner: Dave Ziemann

Masters (More than 4 years of membership)

**1st
Place**



Paph. Sanderianun

Owner: Larry Kamiya

**2nd
Place**



**Max arachitiflora
'Elizabeth' CCM/AOS**

Owner: Wilbur chang

Orchid Workshop on Saturday, April 9, 2011 Scot Mitamura will be the workshop speaker for April, he will cover general orchid culture. A reminder to all members; although the workshop teaches basic culture for the beginners, we would still like to encourage our master growers to come and share there experiences growing orchids. Session begins at 9:30 am, at Dot's House, 45-663 Luluku road in Kaneohe. For more information, please call Dot Sakamoto at 236-4104

2011 World Orchid Conference in Singapore

Mark your calendars !!! Nov. 13th—20th are the dates of the WOC and Liz Ajifu is planning on a possible 10 day tour, that may include other destinations. If you are interested in joining with her tour, please contact Liz at lizajifu@rockemail.com or at 392-9040.

Orchid Tips of the Month

1. Remember not to over water your orchids.
2. Remember to fertilize your orchids every 3 to 6 months, use fungicide and pesticide as needed.
3. If you have questions about the health of your orchid, bring it to the next WOS meeting. We have a wealth of knowledgeable orchid growers
4. Finally, get involved with WOS, there's a wealth of knowledge...waiting for you.

Orchid Society of Manoa Plant Sale !!!

In lieu of renovations to Noelani Elementary School Cafeteria, the Orchid Society of Manoa has opted to just hold a **ONE DAY** plant sale.

Date: Saturday, April 30th
 Time: 8:00 am—2:30 pm
 Place: St. Pius X Church (Manoa)
 2821 Lowrey Avenue
 (One block past Safeway)

Contact: Lori Nakatsuka at 277-4307
 Or tish.oshiro@gmail.com
 (For more directions and Information).

Our Beloved Lynne Thrall

Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Thrall Family, as one of our dearest WCS member has found eternal life in heaven. She had a passion for growing orchids and enjoyed working side by side with her dad Frank. She was full of life and was always volunteering to help at our WCS events. We will surely miss her smile and presence at WCS meetings and orchid shows.

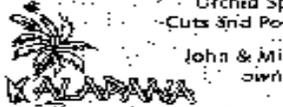
Our Beloved Gretchen Meeker

Was always so cheerful and loved to be around orchids. She was a new WCS member, who looked forward to our meetings and shows. In the short time that she was a member of WCS, her interest in growing orchids seemed to blossom. We will surely miss her at our meetings and activities. Our heartfelt sympathy goes out to the Meeker Chana.

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A Big "MAHALO" from WOS Co-Chair

On behalf of the Show Committee, I would like to thank everyone for volunteering their time and contributing to the success of our Spring Show "Orchid Mania". The Spring Show is our bread and butter, and whatever time you were able to contribute, a few hours, a day or two, we really appreciated it. This year we rearranged the display area, which provided our customers with more room to roam and take pictures. Windward Orchid Society won the AOS trophy, Hawaii Kai Orchid Society won First Place in the floor display, and Aiea Orchid Club won First Place in the table top display, followed by Orchid Society of Manoa, Second Place, and Honolulu Orchid Society, Third Place. The Best in Show was the DEN. atrovioleaceum H & R3, awarded to H & R Nurseries.

Putting on a show of this magnitude takes a lot of time and organizing on the committee, and they did an excellent job once again this year. Set-up is always labor intensive, and planning the layout is time consuming and takes many design redo's, without the right person for the job, they're would be no show. Walter Hiraishi is the man, and he's got the floor plan laid out perfectly this year, sufficient spacing between tables, electrical outlets worked great, including wide enough areas for customers to move around without damaging their plants, and the education area was rearrange so more people took advantage of the demonstrations. He plans on using the same floor plan for next years show. Our WOS display was a winner! The AOS award is the only award we can compete for, and we never take it for granted that we will win. The creative team of Lorenzo Ordinado, Rae Ordinado, Betty Oshima, Ruby Hiraishi, Walter Hirashi, Itsuo Tonokawa, Kathy Tonokawa, Lee Deir, Lynn Chang, Maxine Lee and others, worked many weekends, between raindrops and sunshine to construct a display which captured the theme "Orchid Mania". Our Country Store chaired by the dynamic duo of Liz Ajifu and Toni Walker did a fantastic job hustling and organizing donations, and check out the way they labeled their products, florescent orange, what do you think about having next years T-shirts in florescent orange? Everything sold at the Country Store is 100% profit for our society. Special thanks go to Maxine Lee, her family and crew, who drove her truck many, many miles through rainy weather to pick-up a truck of hapuu and soil donated by Pacific Ag Sales and Service, and packaged them up for the Country Store. To Danny Kamalu Jr. and Adam Kono the forgotten two, who managed to stay dry and out of the way of moving cars, and welcomed all customers to our Show. Every year they miss out on the happenings inside, we really need to recruit more volunteers to allow them the flexibility for next year. To Scot Mitamura, Karen Kim, Rae Ordinado, Emily Yamada, and Craig Nakahara for Publicity and Marketing, preparing and selling the tickets, and for preparing the Governor's, Lt Governor's, and Mayor's certificates and letters. To Betty Oshima, who spent many hours making all the trophies, and taking the lead for the Night of Judging. To Hazel Basuel and Pat Roberson, who developed a numbering system for the plants in the holding area. To Kathy Tonokawa, Dave & Mary Bealer, Lynn Chang, and Lee Deir: for working the Plant Registration area. To Ed Catrett (Education), David Kagawa (Miniature Display), Michelle and Norma Young (Membership), Dot Sakamoto (Cashier), and to Larry Kamiya (show co-chair) my wing man: who demonstrated great flexibility and calmness during the entire time. Great choice for Show Chairperson 2012!!!

Thank you very much for giving me the opportunity to be the WOS Show Chair the past few years, I've really enjoyed doing it, especially with all the support and fellowship from the board and members. Whether this was your 1st time or your 20th time (plus) of helping, I hope it was as memorable for you, too. I hope to see every one of you again, next year on March 16th, 17th, and 18th, 2012. Send in your ideas for next year's show theme and remember to show the new WOS Show Chair the same level of support.

Aloha.....Susan Lim

A BIG "MAHALO" TO ALL OUR DONORS AND SUPPORTERS !!!

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Windward Orchid Society's 31st Annual Spring Show "Orchid Mania"

Talk about **"MARCH MADNESS"** WOS totally out did themselves this year...people are still talking about the WOS Spring Show, which took place on March 18th- 20th at King Intermediate school. The displays were rocking with flashing lights, electrical orbs and large banners around the gymnasium. The displays were AWESOME and the quality of plants in the display were priceless!!! Check out the highlights:



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