



# Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING** is scheduled for **Wednesday, February 5, 2014** at 7:30 p.m. in the King Intermediate School Cafeteria

## **SPEAKER OF THE MONTH: Randy Tajima on Species plants & how he grows them**

Randy works at Foster Botanical Garden in Honolulu as a plant propagator. He is also the owner of Mid-Pacific Orchids and is a fully accredited American Orchid Society judge. He specializes in phalaenopsis breeding. +

### **GORGEOUS COLORS OF ORCHIDS:**

"Our Spring Show is just around the corner and we need all members to volunteer during our show in order to make it a success. We would like you to sign up for the various committee's for at least one shift. You will receive a WOS T-shirt if you volunteer for 8 or more hours. You may sign-up for one or more of the committee's, they are: Host and Hostess, Cashier, Country Store, Membership, Security, Admissions, Set-up, Clean-up, Plant Identification, Transportation and WOS Display. We also need volunteers to put up signs on the road during the week of the show.

We would like you to save boxes and newspaper and bring them starting Wednesday, March 19 the day we set-up at King School. We will need your flowering plants for our display, the more the merrier, no matter how small or large. We had a new member last year who happened to have her orchid bloom during the show and she won an award. It can happen to you, so don't be shy, bring your blooming orchid and we will put it in our display.

We need you, so sign up or call Susan Lim at 728-1014."



### **Upcoming Events:**

- ◆ **Workshop at Dot Sakamoto's house on February 8, 2014, 9:30 a.m. If you need directions, call Dot at 236-4104.**
- ◆ **WOS Spring Show at King Intermediate March 21, 22 & 23, 2014**

### **WOS Officers (2013-2014)**

**President** Dot Sakamoto **Vice-President** Hazel Basuel **Recording Secretary** Jennifer Nakamura  
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Ruby Hiraishi Walter Hiraishi Karen Kim Adam Kono Scot Mitamura  
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## **WOS Corner:**

**At our January Membership Meeting we had 65 members and 1 guest. Welcome to new members: Leah Drinen, Maile Drinen, Claudia Butler & Peter Butler. We will have a sign up a sheet for refreshments at the Membership table at our General Membership Meetings.**

New members, if you have a question about your orchids or have an orchid not doing well, please bring them in and we will gladly try to answer any questions you have about them. Please come to the 7:00 pm workshop or come and see Craig Nakahara (fluorescent green WOS shirt) when we have our General Membership Meeting.

## **We need your Kokua at our WOS Spring Show - Important Dates to Remember – Show Chairperson: Susan Lim – 728-1014**

### **Wednesday Morning: March 19, 2014 starting at 9:00 am**

We will need help in setting up the gym. Volunteers to tape down the mat to the gym floor, setting up the sellers and display tables, setting up the display area, covering the tables, assisting 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 20, 2014 starting at 9:00 am**

We will need your help setting up our display for the show and getting ready for the first day of our show. **Bring in your flowering plants for our display.**

We need everyone's help to make our show a success!! Please sign up to volunteer for the various committees listed below. On Wednesday and Sunday we need everyone's help for setting up and clean-up.

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

Please sign-up to volunteer on one of the following committees:

- Admissions - see Lee Deir or Lynn Chang
- Cashiers - see Dorothy Sakamoto
- Country Store - see Toni Walker
- Host/Hostess - see Hazel Basuel
- Security and Parking - see Adam Kono
- Membership Sign-up - see Grace Nishigaya
- Plant Registration – see Mary Bealer or Mae Yamamoto
- Set-up - see Walter Hiraishi
- Clean-up - see Craig Nakahara

Other Committees which may need your help prior to the show:

- Marketing and Publicity - see Karen Kim or Scot Mitamura
- Donations - see Maxine Lee
- Transportation - see Maxine Lee
- Tickets and flyers - see Susan Lim

Volunteers who work 8 or more hours will receive a free WOS tee-shirt, during the Show. Bring your family and friends to volunteer.

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 CUSTOMERS 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!!!**

## Orchid Tip of the Month by Scott Mitamura:

Although it is still winter our shortest days are behind us. Still keep a close tab on your watering, keeping your orchids on the dryer side. The early blooming Hono Hono dendrobiums should begin to start showing buds this month. It is a critical time for them as the flower thrips love to attack the tender buds. It would be a good idea to spray them with any insecticide before they start to dry up. It is not too early to think about which orchids might be blooming for the Spring Show and begin grooming them early. We will have a large display and will need everyone to bring their best orchids out to the show.

## President's Message:

Aloha Everyone

February is here, don't forget to do something special for your Valentine. Just a friendly reminder to all our members. We have couple of events coming up that is real important to the Windward Orchid Society. We will need your kokua in helping to make these events a success. The first event which is right around the corner is our Valentine's Day weekend show. We will be at Windward Mall Center Stage doing a mini display, plant sale and orchid demonstration. It will be a 3 day event from Feb. 14, 15, & 16. from 10am to 4:30pm all 3 days. This is the first time we are doing this at the Mall, the purpose of this event is to promote our Spring Show. Most of you know about our Spring Show. We will need volunteers for both events and sign-up sheets will be available at our next meeting. More information will be in your newsletter as well as our next meeting, so I hope to see all of you there.

Mahalo and Ahui Hou  
Dot Sakamoto  
President



**ORCHID SAFARI:** WOS is planning an Orchid Safari Trip (visiting orchid nursery for the purpose of purchasing orchids) to Hilo on April 10, 11 & 12, 2014. We can accommodate only 25 people. It will be on a first come first serve basis. If you are interested, we will have information forms at the membership meetings or call Dot Sakamoto at 236-4104.

## WINDWARD ORCHID SOCIETY ORCHID SALE & PLANT SALE

**THEME:** "Gorgeous Colors of Orchids"

**DATES:** March 21, 22 & 23, 2014

**WHERE:** King Intermediate School

Our Spring Show is just around the corner, and we would like all members to participate. If you have ideas on how we can market our show better, please contact Susan Lim at 728-1014 or email her at [slim@hawaiiantel.net](mailto:slim@hawaiiantel.net).

We are looking for donations to our Country Store to be sold at our Spring Show. No clothes. Any questions, please contact Toni Walker at 292-1407.

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