



Windward Orchid News

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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING** will be on **Wednesday, AUGUST 1, 2018** at 7:30 p.m. in the King Intermediate School Cafeteria

There is No Membership Meeting *and* No Saturday Workshop in June. But, Please Join Us at Our Banquet on June 23rd.

There Ain't No Membership Meeting in July Neither. Have a Happy 4th of July.

Annual Installation and Awards Banquet

Come and encourage our 2018-2019 WOS officers and trustees.

Find out who will be our Orchidist of the Year and Orchidist of the Decade.

Play the \$1 orchid raffle.

Parking at Pohai Nani is limited.. There's street parking near by. Car pool if you can.

To reserve your place, mail-in the Banquet Form *before June 13th*.

WOS MEMBERS WON 8 AWARDS AT THE MANOA ORCHID SHOW. WELL DONE!



This orchid studded Manoa Falls display was created by WOS members lead by Show Chair, Craig Nakahara.

Saturday, June 23, 2018

Hours: 5:00 P.M.—9:30 P.M.

Dinner will be at 6:00 P.M.

Please Join Us At

Pohai Nani

Ruth Orcutt-Bacon Auditorium

45-090 Namoku St.
Kaneohe, HI 96744

Cost is \$30 per Person.

For more information call
Susan Lim at 728-1014.

Dinner Menu

Entrees

Mahi with Lemon Butter Caper Sauce
Shoyu Chicken

Side Dishes

Fresh Garden Greens with Dressings
Country Potato Salad
Seasoned Steamed Vegetables
Rice Pilaf
Fresh Fruit Platter

Beverages

Iced Tea, Coffee, Hot Tea

Desert

Trio of Gourmet Desserts

There's Still Time

Nominations for Orchidist of the Year and Orchidist of the Decade are being accepted up to June 8th.

Email nominations to Sheron at sheron@jerryhay.com

A Message From Our President

Aloha Everyone!

I hope this finds you and your families all happy and healthy.

These past few weeks I have been working with a lot of people on the Big Island and on Kauai. Let's all send our well wishes and, if the opportunity comes up, donate what you can to help. The news is only the tip of the iceberg for what is happening. In many cases, it is worse than portrayed.

Elections were held at our last membership meeting and yes, you have to read/listen to me ramble for another year!! I am hoping that your elected Board will be able to come up with some interesting topics for our monthly meetings and it would help greatly if you would give us suggestions. I'd like more hands-on sessions, but I have no idea if that would be of interest to you. So if some of you just read that sentence and said "of course I would be interested, what is she thinking?" – then please tell me – or tell any one of the Board members what you want. Our mission is to educate – so we want to do that, but what do you want to see/hear about? Tell us!

See you at our meeting in AUGUST – have an enjoyable Fourth of July and don't forget to help out at the Aiea Show build-out on June 7th!

Aloha ~Sheron

Aiea Orchid Club Annual Orchid Show

Showtimes are Friday and Saturday, June 8 & 9th (9 a.m. - 5 p.m.) and Sunday, June 10th (9 a.m.- 3p.m.)
Plant sales close at 2 p.m. on Sunday. The show will be held at Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria, 99-370 Moanalua Rd.

On Thursday, June 7th, *please bring your blooming plants* to Dot's house before 11 a.m. or by 12 noon to the Aiea Elementary School cafeteria.

Breakdown will be at 3 p.m. on Sunday, June 10th and we will need your kokua please.

Please contact Larry Kamiya at 235-3290, if you have any questions.

WOS Membership Renewal Information

Because there will be no general membership meetings in June and July, please be sure to *mail-in* your Windward Orchid Society Membership renewal for July 2018 to June 2019.

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ **Fri.- Sun., June 8, 9 & 10th**
9 a.m. - 5 p.m., on Fri. & Sat.
9 a.m. - 3 p.m., on Sun.
Aiea Orchid Club Annual Orchid Show and Sale
at Aiea Elementary School Cafeteria.
- ◆ **Saturday, June 23rd,**
5:00 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.
WOS Installation and Awards Banquet
at Pohai Nani.
- ◆ There will be no General Membership Meetings in June and July.
- ◆ Wednesday, August 1st
7:30 p.m. to 9:00 p.m.
General Membership Meeting.



Pictures from the Manoa Orchid Show

- 1) Gram. scriptum,
Owner: Duncan Chun
- 2) Lc. Irene Finney 'Spring Bounty'
Owner: Scot & Karen Mitamura
- 3) Paph. Mark Eickhoff 'Brandie'
Owner: Larry Kamiya

Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

June brings us into the beginning of our long warm summer days. If you have noticed, our orchids are drying up faster and we will need to up our watering schedules. This is due to the longer days, stronger tradewinds, and of course less rainfall. Especially if you are growing your orchids mounted or hanging in baskets, they will need to be watered daily, if not more often.

So a question often asked is, "How often and how do I water?" Most of the orchids we grow are epiphytes, or plants that grow on other plants. These orchids have a thick coating around their roots called velamen, that act as a sponge absorbing and holding on to water. These roots like to dry between watering, and since most orchids growing in the wild are growing on tree branches, they receive a lot of rain, but they also dry quickly.

If you are growing your orchids in pots, you will want to allow your potting medium to dry before the next watering. When it is time to water, you want to thoroughly water your orchids, allowing the water to drain through the drainage holes. A second good watering will allow you to wet the whole root ball and help to flush damaging salts from accumulating in the media.

The exception is terrestrial orchids that grow in the ground. These orchids like to be kept evenly moist at all times during their growing season. They have a different kind of root that lacks velamen, but have fine hairy roots.

The best orchid growers notice the changes in seasons and adjust their orchid culture accordingly. This results in an abundance of flowers year round!

Keep it growing,
~ Scot

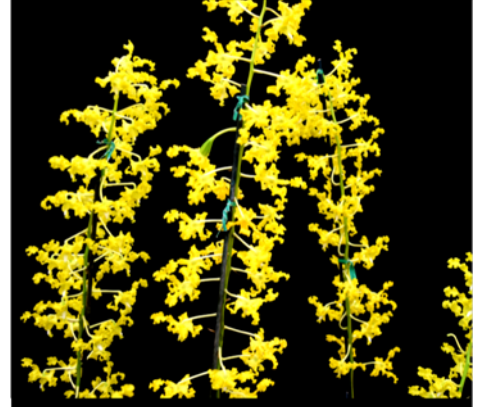
WOS May Orchid Culture Awards



1st Place – Novice Division
Mtdm. Pacific Paragon 'Honey Butter'
Owner: Meldy Villanueva



1st Place – Intermediate Division
Onc. Space Race 'Coco'
Owner: Kimo Kuoha



1st Place – Masters Division
Den. discolor 'Bloomfieldii'
Owner: Walter Hiraishi



2nd Place – Novice Division
Vasco. Pine River 'Orange'
Owner: Garrett Murata



2nd Place – Intermediate Division
Gramm. scriptum
Owner: Duncan Chun



2nd Place – Masters Division
V. Summer Delight 'Susan'
Owner: Bianca Kam

WOS Corner

At our May 2nd meeting we had 59 members and 3 guests learn about orchid propagation. Thanks to Larry & David for your talk and examples of propagation from seed and by meristem culture.

What's Cookin'?
WOS Cookbooks \$15.

WOS Cookbook Vol. 2

Send your recipes to Wendy:
wpathways@gmail.com

WOS Shirt Sale

Golf Shirts \$20.

Forest Green -M & XL
Navy Blue -S, M, L & XL

2018 T-Shirts \$15.

Construction Green -
All sizes Small to 3XL

Prior to 2018 T-Shirts \$10.

Blue -S to 2XL, Gray -2XL,
Heather Gray-3XL, Orange-S

While supply lasts, shirts will be available at our membership meetings. Call Susan at 728-1014 if you can't make it to a meeting.

Orchid Doctor - If you have questions about your orchids, or have orchids that are not doing well, please bring them early (7:00 p.m.) to the General Membership meeting and our Orchid Doctor (Scot) will gladly identify the problem and try to answer your questions.

General Questions - For questions about the Windward Orchid Society, see Craig Nakahara (wearing a florescent green shirt) during our General Membership Meeting.

Refreshment Contributions - Sign-up sheets are at the refreshment table or you can email Toni Walker at toni.walker58@yahoo.com. Monetary contributions are also welcome.

WOS Officers 2017-2018: President Sheron Harwood Vice-President Karen Kim Recording Secretary Dawn Bonak
Treasurer Craig Nakahara Corresponding Secretary Deborah Collins Trustees: (2016-2019) Susan Lim (One Vacant)
Fred Collins (2015-2018) Larry Kamiya Wendy Saito Toni Walker (2017-2020) Steve Canham C.J. Kalopodes
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The WOS meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the King Intermediate School Cafeteria (except in June & December).