



2019 Spring Show



Next Membership Meeting is at
 7:00 p.m. on April 3, 2019
 at King Intermediate School.

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Windward Orchid Society's **NEXT MEMBERSHIP MEETING** will be on **Wednesday, April 3, 2019** at 7:00 p.m. in the King Intermediate School Cafeteria

The Orchids Arrived! Thanks to Hundreds of Helping Hands.



We've done it again. Thousands of visitors were enamored by spectacular displays and arrays of breath-taking orchids and other plants. WOS members, friends, family, visitors and supporters were also delighted at the bargain prices of the plants and unusual finds that became their new treasures. Many were inundated with a firehose of information about orchid culture and bonsai culture at no cost. This was made possible by numerous dependable, good-natured volunteers, hard-working vendors, other clubs' members and generous supporters. All this led by the unflappable Susan Lim. (Hear the crowd roar.) And kudos to Ariel Harwood for concocting the "Game of Trophies, The Orchids Are Coming" show theme that earned us the Lt. Governor's Trophy for Best Show Theme with her ideas, leadership and execution of the WOS floor display pictured above. The plethora of awards and supporters are too many to list in this newsletter, *so please visit our website for more information and pictures.*

But That's Not All...

All volunteers are very much appreciated and are invited to a celebratory Appreciation Luncheon at 11:30 a.m. Saturday, April 20th at the King School Cafeteria. Lunch will be served at noon. Contact your committee chair to reserve your spot.

WOS Election of All Officers and 3 Trustees

At our May 1st Membership Meeting, we will be holding our annual election of all officers and 3 trustees for the Windward Orchid Society.

So in April, and especially at our upcoming April 3rd meeting, we will be gathering nominations.

To qualify, the nominee must be a current member in good standing for 2 consecutive years.

The officers' terms are for one year and the trustees' terms are for three years.

Duncan Chun is the Nomination Committee Chair this year. You can talk to Duncan, or any of the current officers/trustees, if you are interested in helping to run the club.

Installation Banquet

On Saturday, June 15th, we will hold our Installation Banquet at the Klipper Club at the Marine Corps Base Hawaii.

Enclosed with this newsletter is an insert with all the banquet information and a reservation form.

If you're not sure if you will attend, turn in your reservation information by May 8th any way. This is so we can arrange a base pass for you. Payment deadline is May 22nd.

If by May 22nd, you decide not to attend, we will discard your base pass. If you miss the May 8th reservation date though, we won't be able to get you a base pass.

There is no General Membership Meeting in June so please join us at the Installation Banquet instead.

A Message From Our President

Aloha Everyone!

As I write this message, I am anxiously awaiting the arrival of our Show and am hopeful that it is a great success! My wish is that it all went smoothly with lots of flowers displayed so that the public gets a chance to see what we are all about. Instead of Orchids are coming, we will be saying Orchids ARE HERE!!!

With this newsletter the show is over and we have to turn our attention to elections in May – we will be soliciting all positions as well as 3 Trustees for the 2019 to 2022 term. Now is your chance to volunteer and become one of the Board Members that help run this club. We could use the fresh ideas for speakers that only a new person can bring. Please consider it!!! Our Board meetings are the 2nd Wednesday of every month and are only about 2 hours of your time. That's not a lot of time out of your month, but it sure helps a lot!!! Talk to any of the Board Members if you are interested!!!

I will see you all at the April meeting – tired and with sore muscles...but happy that we had a successful show, that's my future prediction.

Mahalo ~ Sheron

Upcoming Events:

- ◆ **Wednesday April 3rd at 7:00 p.m.**
WOS General Membership Meeting
at King Intermediate School
- ◆ **Saturday, April 13th at 9:30 a.m.**
Workshop at Dot's House If you
need directions, call 236-4104
- ◆ **Saturday, April 20th at 11:30 a.m.**
Appreciation Luncheon at King
School Cafeteria
- ◆ **Wednesday, May 1st at 7:00 p.m.**
WOS Election of officers and
trustees at the General
Membership Meeting
- ◆ **Saturday, June 15th 11:00 a.m.to
3:00 p.m. WOS Installation
Banquet** at MCBH Klipper Club
- ◆ **THERE IS NO GENERAL
MEMBERSHIP MEETING IN JUNE.
SO, DO NOT GO TO KING
INTERMEDIATE SCHOOL IN JUNE.**

An Introduction to Species Orchids

By Adam Almeida



Our guest speaker for our April meeting will be Adam Almeida. Adam is a member of the Species Club and will provide us with an introduction to Species Orchids. (Don't know what that is? Then, you better come and find out.) Adam has been doing this since he was about 18 years old and has a serious interest in the scientific and judging aspects of the orchid hobby. ~ Karen



Orchid Tip of the Month by Scot Mitamura

Spring has finally arrived! We have had an unusually cool late winter spell, that has thrown off the Hono Hono flowering, making them and other spring show orchids bloom a little later. Overall, it was a dryer than normal winter so my orchids did not take too bad of a hit from Black Rot. If your Hono Honos are not showing buds yet, don't give up, they could still flower. The weather has improved, so our orchids should return to their normal flowering.

Hopefully you purchased your share of orchids from the show. I normally repot most of the orchids into my favorite media. I always treat all new orchids with slug/snail bait, to ensure that I don't bring in any hitch hikers. I also check carefully, making sure I don't have any new weeds or insects on the plants. If you are not sure, set the orchids in a separate or quarantined area for observation. I can't tell you how many unwanted friends I have received with my new orchids. Don't make a similar mistake that you may regret for years to come.

~Scot



This is Billy and Fran Craft.

These two really know how to make ono grinds *and* serve them up with a heaping helping of Aloha. WOS is so very blessed to have Fran and Billy. They've always made sure our membership does not go hungry or thirsty at all of our many events. Fran and Billy always have their act together.

The Crafts took care of the shopping and cooking, transporting and setting up, cleaning up and putting away, storing food and equipment, and always working with a low budget to provide tasty treats for us. The best part is: they always have a smile and kind words for everyone.

Now, after a stunning 30+ years of unwavering service to WOS, Billy and Fran Craft are called to other duties and must pass the Hospitality and Refreshment Chair to others.

We can't thank them enough for all they have done for WOS.

MAHALO NUI LOA!!! And all the best to you both, and your family, always.

With Warm Aloha,
The Windward Orchid Society

March WOS Culture Awards



1st Place Intermediate
Blc. Destiny 'Dixon'
Owner: Al Lindo



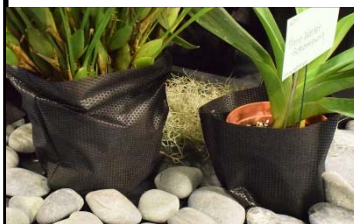
1st Place Masters
Vanda Summer Delight 'Susan'
Owner: Bianca Kam



2nd Place Intermediate
Den. Angel Moon 'Love Letter'
Owner: Duncan Chun



2nd Place Masters
Den. Proud Appeal 'Ace'
Owner: Craig Nakahara



Pot Sleeves

This is one of the cool things about new members. Sherry Tsutsumi came up with this fresh idea of how to cover pots for WOS displays in a quick and tidy way. She sewed up a bunch of these or our Spring Show. Thank you, Sherry!

At our March 6th meeting we had 67 members and 3 guests who were taught clever wiry ways to stake up orchids and get the best look for their blooms. Thanks to Larry Kamiya and Lorenzo Ordinado!

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

Refreshments: ???? We are going to have to wing this one. ??? Bring refreshments and put them where it normally goes. Is anyone interested in being the new Hospitality/Refreshment Chair? We need someone to organize this for us.

**WOS
Corner**

WOS Officers 2018-2019: President *Sheron Harwood* Vice-President *Karen Kim* Recording Secretary *Dawn Bonak*
Treasurer *Craig Nakahara* Corresponding Secretary *Deborah Collins* Trustees: (2016-2019) *Susan Lim* *Larry Marcum*
Fred Collins (2018-2021) *Duncan Chun* *Wendy Saito* *Ariel Harwood* (2017-2020) *Steve Canham* *C.J. Kalopodes*
Scot Mitamura Director *Dot Sakamoto* Membership *Grace Nishigaya* Hospitality/Refreshments **OPEN POSITION**

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The WOS meets on the first Wednesday of every month at the King Intermediate School Cafeteria (except in June & December).