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## April 2022

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*Oncidium Kunine*  
Photo by: Sabina Gupta

ODG: Orchids Discussion Group  
OOS: Ottawa Orchid Society

### Welcome! Upcoming Activities at a Glance!

**April 17, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.:** In April, we welcome Sandra Svoboda, Editor of the Orchid Digest magazine. She will be speaking to us about *Masdevallias* and *Draculas* of South America which are mostly cool, high altitude growing orchids in the Andes.

**May 4, 2022 at 7:00 p.m.:** ODG Meeting

**May 5-8, 2022:** Virtual Show Table Photo Submission

**May 15, 2022 at 1:30 p.m.:** In-person and virtual OOS meeting

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## President's Message



Well spring has sprung and although we are not completely out of the woods, there seems to be some light at the end of the tunnel. Let's hope it doesn't suddenly slam shut! I hope you enjoyed Charles Wilson's presentation as much as I did. What an amazing group of plants! Such unique flowers, foliage and scents! If you missed it, please read Hesselene Attong's excellent notes – thanks Hesselene.

This is an exciting time as venues are beginning to open and there will be an actual Orchid Show in Québec City in May! Many thanks to Monique Savard for volunteering to take OOS plants to the Show for the OOS display. Hélène Mondou and Elvira Langa-Barona will be helping her. If you have blooming plants for this event, please check out the details in this issue regarding deadlines, registration, preparing the plants and where to drop them off. Do not hesitate to ask questions.

It is exciting to think about our May meeting, the last meeting for this season before we break for the summer to do our outdoor gardening. We will have a virtual speaker and some of you will continue to join us using Zoom, but we will also have an in-person meeting at the Ron Kolbus Lakeside Centre for those of you who have been looking forward to socializing. It is a very large venue with a capacity of 300 people, which will allow plenty of space for social distancing. Masks will be mandatory inside the building for everyone's safety. The venue is surrounded by a lovely park, perfect for safe socializing. We will be having both virtual and live Show Tables. We will hold them separately, but everyone will have an opportunity to show off their blooms before the summer break. We will not have vendors because of the current group orchid order in April and a planned orchids sale in June.

We are not sure which Saturday in June the sale will be held. Please look out for Society emails for more information. Tentative dates are June 11 or 18, which may be communicated during the upcoming OOS meeting in April. If you can help out at either of these events (May 15 meeting or June 11/18 sale), please contact me [janet.johns@sympatico.ca](mailto:janet.johns@sympatico.ca). As I have heard others say, the more you put in, the more you get out, and it is true.

I am excited that the Conservation Committee Chaired by Pat Boisvert is working on some activities for us in the future. Thanks to the Committee members: Daniel Brumar, Nick Cox, Eamon Tuck, Vivian Brownell and John Alexander for assisting with this. Thanks to Jean Hollebhone for offering yet another opportunity for purchasing orchids in April. I hope you are taking full advantage of these and that your orchid collection is increasing in size and diversity.

While I realize that some of you may not be able to join us for the April meeting as it is Easter Sunday, be assured that notes will be in Spike. We look forward to Sandra Svoboda's talk about *Masdevallias* with advice on good choices for our collection and their culture. I hope to see many of you there. Happy spring!

*Janet Johns*

## **Program Updates 2022 (all talks will be held virtually at 1:30 p.m.)**

### **April Meeting**

**April 2022:** On the afternoon of Easter Sunday, April 17, we welcome Sandra Svoboda, Editor of the prestigious Orchid Digest magazine, published four times a year out of Huntington Botanical Garden, which is famous for its collection of heritage orchids as well as a host of other plants, including its spectacular desert, Japanese, rose and other gardens. Sandra will talk to us about *Masdevallias*, the colourful and beautiful miniature alpine flowers of Southern Mexico, Central and South America. They abound in the wild terrain of the ancient Inca historical site of Machu Picchu, in the misty cool cloud forests of Monte Verde in Costa Rica, and in the warm, humid mountain meadows of Veracruz. In cultivation since the 1840's, Victorians were crazy about them and called them gems of the orchid world.

Sandra will focus her talk on the main growing types, their culture and will advise on *Masdevallias* which have been successful in beginning hobby collections, as well as those more suited to experienced growers.

This is Sandra's first talk since she attended our Annual Show around 2012 and helped us with the building of a prize-winning display, which was an instructional experience for the OOS members. Sandra is a former President of the American Orchid Society (AOS). In 2021, she was awarded the prestigious AOS Silver Medal for her pioneer work in leading the way in the adoption of new virtual communication tools, adopted by the AOS at a time when the technology was just developing. This included the introduction of virtual meetings, and with Ron McHatton, the pioneering of the monthly educational webinars of the AOS which she continues to cohost with AOS secretary Cheryl Erins.

This is a meeting you don't want to miss. Mark your calendar.

**May 2022:** In May, we will be holding our first face-to-face meeting since 2020, at the Ron Kolbus Lakeside Centre. Preparations are underway. More on this later as details become available.

*Jean Hollebone* (Program Chair)

## **In-person and Virtual Show Table Update for May 2022**

In May, there will be both virtual and in-person Show Tables. The May Virtual Show Table will follow the same format as in April. We invite you to send in photos of your blooming plants once again. The **deadline for entries will be May 8<sup>th</sup>**. You can take and send in your photos any time between Thursday, May 5<sup>th</sup> and Sunday, May 8<sup>th</sup>. Please send your photos to **Jan Johns at [janet.johns@sympatico.ca](mailto:janet.johns@sympatico.ca)** until further notice. Remember to include your name as well as the full name of each plant (or NOID if you don't have the name).

As a reminder please take two photos, one showing the whole plant and one a close-up of the flower. If possible, please send your photos as attachments to your email because I can then see the name of the image file. All members are welcome to participate and you can send in photos of as many plants as you wish, but they must arrive by the deadline.

The same team of expert plant judges will continue to judge our plants: André Couture, Joyce Medcalf, Jean Hollebhone, Marie-Josée Bergeron and Scott de Vito. They will judge all the photos in the same Alliances we use for our usual Show Tables. They will award ribbons for first, second and third in each Alliance as usual, as well as a rosette for Best of Show Table. Our photography judge Pat Boisvert will award ribbons for the best photography, and you can see his notes at <http://www.ottawaorchidsociety.com/photographing.html>.

In-person format will be the same as before. Make sure that plants for in-person Show Tables are clean with inflorescences staked, where possible.

*Jan Johns* (President)

## **Orchids Discussion Group Update**

The ODG meeting was a great success over the last season and continues, with monthly meetings on Zoom (preregistration is required). Our next meeting will be held on May 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00 p.m.

In preparation for the ODG meetings, you may submit your questions or desired discussion topics in advance to Pat Boisvert, ODG Chair at [Pat.g.boisvert@gmail.com](mailto:Pat.g.boisvert@gmail.com). Jennie McCloskey will email the question/topic list to OOS Members one week before the ODG meeting date once the meeting dates are determined, along with the link for registration.

We hope you will enjoy participating in the ODG and can get back the community feel of our club.

We look forward to seeing many of you at these meetings.

*Pat Boisvert*

## **Montréal Judging Centre Updates**

The Montréal Judging Centre extends an open invitation to the members of the OOS to attend its judging sessions. The Centre meets every month on the third Saturday (except in December when the meeting is held on the second Saturday). The meeting is held at the *Jardin botanique de Montréal* (JBM, Montréal Botanical Garden) in the main building. In May 2022, the Centre will attend the Québec City Orchid Show and therefore will not meet in Montréal.

In the current COVID context, the following restrictions will apply in order to attend judging (until further instructions are received from the Québec Government):

1. Only members who wish to have their plants judged will be allowed to attend
2. All participants must wear a mask while inside the JBM
3. All participants must provide proof of double vaccination against COVID (no personal data is captured) before entering the judging room

### Judging meetings

- The meetings start around 9:30 a.m. but the training session (open to participants) starts around 10:00 a.m.
- Plant registration is upon arrival or after 11:00 a.m. (but before 12:30 p.m.)
- Participants must bring their lunch as there is no restaurant on the premises
- Upon entrance at the main building, participants must sign in on the sheet for the “Centre de jugement” at the security desk
- The security personnel will indicate the room number where judging takes place (usually on the second floor) – take the elevator on the right, past the double doors

### Judging

- Participants will sign in
- Plants are then registered; the Registrar will provide the necessary help
- Participants must have the full name of the plants (plants with no name will not be judged)
- Participants must bring a clone name to assign to the awarded plants (the clone name is anything the owner chooses; the clone name must be provided at the judging session)
- **NOTE:** Plants must be clean and without pests, inflorescences may be staked; **while plants are being judged, participants are not allowed to make comments or to intervene**, and if there are any questions, these will be answered after judging

*André Couture*

## March 2022 Zoom OOS Meeting Recap (By Hesselene Attong)

### Welcome & Introduction

Jan Johns welcomed everyone to the meeting. She covered Zoom meeting protocols and the meeting agenda. Jean Hollebhone introduced the speaker, Charles G. Wilson. Although the speaker experienced internet connection issues, they were creatively resolved and the speaker was able to successfully present the exciting talk.

Charles G. Wilson is the Chair of the AOS Conservation Committee. He is very active around the world, especially in Africa and South America. He and his wife Susan were recently awarded the AOS Certificate of Meritorious Achievement in Orchid Education for their work in education for orchid student judges. Charles is the former Director of the Memphis Zoo and maintains the Zoo Director Emeritus status after his retirement. He is well known for his enviable greenhouse and his collection of *Bulbophyllums*. All of the *Bulbophyllum* photos that he showed during his talk were from his own collection. Mr. Wilson's OOS speaker's fee will be donated to the AOS Conservation Endowment Fund and Jean Hollebhone highlighted that OOS members can donate to this fund, if they too wish to support conservation efforts.

Charles sincerely thanked the members and Jean for the warm welcome along with appreciation for members' patience early on with the internet issues. He dedicated his presentation to the memory of his mentor, Joan L. Levy (1931-2012), clonal name 'Magnifico'.

### Feature Presentation

There are 3,353 published species names in the genus *Bulbophyllums*. It is the second largest genus after *Dendrobium*s. *Bulbophyllum* comes from the Greek: bulbos = bulb, phyllon = leaf. While *Bulbophyllums* are notorious for their stinky fragrances, Charles highlighted quite a few that are sweet smelling in his collection.

Some distinguishing features of *Bulbophyllums* from other orchids are that their pseudobulbs are singly jointed and their lips are hinged from the column foot. Charles spoke about the parts of a *Bulbophyllum* flower: dorsal sepal, column (short & stubby), petals, lips (hinged), and lateral sepals.

Some of the various *Bulbophyllums* Charles touched on:

#### ***Bulbophyllums* good for small space collections:**

*Bulb. pecten-veneris* (syn. *tingabarinum*) very floriferous, bulbs grow very closely, good for small collections.

*Bulb. lobbii* produces dozens of flowers lasting one month in a small pot.

### ***Bulbophyllums* good for large space collections:**

*Bulb. guttulatum* - for a larger space, blooms 2 months, inflorescence 20cm/7.87” in length.

*Bulb. purpureorbachis* – a very large orchid that requires quite a bit of room to grow and blooms sequentially for 2 months.

*Bulb. patens* has upside down flower, grows on mounts a metre long!

*Bulb. bandischii* – long skinny flowers, the scent from which can only be sensed by the insects and not humans, leaves are 2.5 metres long, grown on mounts, pendulous growth habit.

### **Other interesting *Bulbophyllums*:**

*Bulb. fascinator, romyi* (in 2015, Bill Toms discovered that by looking at the lip one can differentiate between these two *Bulbophyllums*).

*Bulb. thiurum* (syn. *plumatum* forma *flavum*)

*Bulb. plumatum* (syn. *jacobonsii*)

*Bulb. medusae* – each inflorescence made up of tiny flowers to look like one single flower.

*Bulb. maximum* – found in Western Tropical Africa to Tanzania.

*Bulb. falcatum* – sickle shaped flower.

*Bulb. cruciatum* – hidden flowers at the base of pseudo bulbs. Grown by Charles for 6 years.

*Bulb. lindleyanum* & *barbigerum* – hairy flowers.

*Bulb. maxillare* (yellow & purple forms) grown in pots, interestingly the dorsal sepal closes down at night the first few days to protect.

*Bulb. septemtrionale* 'Chasus' HCC/AOS in bloom for 3 years continuously. There is also a red species - *Bulb. digoelense* 'Chasus'.

### **Sweet smelling *Bulbophyllums*:**

*Bulb. macranthum* is highly fragrant sweet and spicy, hundreds of flowers on a well grown specimen.

*Bulb. cocoinum* – smells like coconuts.

### **Stinky smelling *Bulbophyllums*:**

*Bulb. orientale, careyanum* – stinky fragrance, best grown on mounts.

*Bulb. lilacinum* – only the color is akin to lilac. Otherwise a very stinky flower!

*Bulb. foetidum* – very fetid smelling.

*Bulb. graveolens* – smells like a grave! 40cm/15.75” diameter inflorescence!

*Bulb. virescens* (syn. *binnendijkii, ridleyanum*) – another stinker, flowers that are basically all sepal!

*Bulb. agastor, macrobulbum* 'Magnifico', *Phalaenopsis* 'Chasis' – smells like rotted meat.

*Bulb. amplexicaule* – 3 sub species of *amplexicaule* were shown, has a stinky fragrance.

*Bulb. echinolabium* is another stinky variety.



## What *Bulbophyllums* like:

- Warmth is heavily emphasized. They prefer 18-24°C, max. 30°C.
- Good bright light for 6 hours or more (*Cattleya*-like conditions).
- Give them the leg room to grow for rhizome length.
- Good air circulation.
- High humidity (75% preferred, minimum of 60%).
- Constantly moist, buoyant & light media (ensure excellent drainage whether in bark or moss).
- Note there are a few cool growing *Bulbophyllums*.
- Recommended media mix: 7 parts small bark, 1 part small/medium charcoal, 1 part small/medium perlite and an equal part of potting mix.
- Use rhizome clips to ensure roots are 'engaged' with media encouraging growth (thigmotropic response – directional growth stimulus).
- Use non-dyed peanuts only as a base when repotting (no pink/blue as they are chemically treated) and top off with the substrate mix.

## Feature Presentation Wrap Up With Questions & Answers

Jan Johns hosted members' questions for this month. Additionally, Mr. Wilson talked about daily day/night differences in temperature required to induce flowering, using an air conditioner in his grow area. Reading resources are available on [www.abebooks.com](http://www.abebooks.com), mainly for books that are out of print. Charles suggested using the following search words: genus, species or orchids. He will send a list of beginner books, specifically on *Bulbophyllums* to Jean Hollebhone.

Jean thanked Charles for his presentation. She touched on the fascinating and evolutionary nature of *Bulbophyllums*. The origin of *Bulbophyllums* is considered to be Southeast Asia moving to Africa and South America. Recognition of the beautiful/unusual species can lead to poaching to meet demand, as there are people world-wide ready to exploit. Are *Bulbophyllums* endangered? Yes, according to Charles Wilson, almost everything is endangered and some are already lost. Mankind's hunger is greedy which makes conservation efforts a constant battle. There are AOS funded projects in Madagascar, Africa, South America and Asia. There are no conservation reserves specific by genus in the world.

Jan Johns thanked Charles Wilson for his wonderful and interesting presentation.

## Auction Committee Presentation – Highlights from our 2021-2022 Online Auction

Hessalene Attong presented a brief slide show on behalf of the Committee. She highlighted a number of records set, some general stats, breakdown of funds raised through the online auction and monetary donations. Final updated amount raised \$2,320.81 (highest to date). She touched on funds being used for the Judging Centres, a future conservation project, investment in members'

continuous learning and for operational expenses. Members, orchid businesses and volunteers were sincerely thanked.

### **Virtual Show Table & Member's Choice Award**

Jan Johns thanked Hesselene Attong and the Auction Committee members for their work and welcomed Jean Hollebhone to begin the Virtual Show Table presentation. Judges touched on the importance of staking inflorescences as they emerge to show them at their best and be considered for award ribbons.

Thanks to this month's panel of judges – Jean Hollebhone, Joyce Medcalf, André Couture, Scott de Vito, Marie-Josée Bergeron and Pat Boisvert (Photography only). Additional thanks go to Jan Johns this month for collecting the photos to send to our panel of judges and Joyce Medcalf for researching and checking the updated orchid names.

Jan moved on to the Member's Choice Award. Members were polled on their preferred choices. Jan congratulated all ribbon winners and continued with the Society business and updates.

### **OOS Business/Updates**

- May 15<sup>th</sup> OOS in-person meeting – We will be planning a hybrid meeting (Zoom/in-person) likely at the Ron Kolbus Centre. Jan reminded members of potential challenges ahead as we undertake our first hybrid meeting. Please be patient and mindful as we are volunteers and members too. Look out for upcoming April news regarding resuming in-person meetings, restrictions, etc., through our membership@ottawaorchidsociety.com email. Jennie McCloskey, our Membership Chair, was recognized for her diligent work and quick response times fielding through our membership email.
- June 11<sup>th</sup> or 18<sup>th</sup> OOS Plant Sale – We will be planning a one-day plant sale and will be needing volunteers to assist. Please give volunteering some consideration, especially if you plan to be on site browsing/buying orchids. More details will follow as key information is solidified. Stay tuned for another exciting OOS event!
- May 6 (set-up), 7 & 8 Show – Les Orchidophiles de Québec (Québec City). Monique Savard has graciously agreed to put up an OOS display and will be looking for members' blooming orchids to take. This is the first Orchid Show to reopen on this side of Canada since COVID-19 began. Let's show our support to both Les Orchidophiles de Québec and Monique! Please refer to the Orchidfolie Québec 2022 notice in this month's Spike for complete details.

- Monique Savard indicated that both group orders (Orquídeas Katia Colombia and Phrao Orchids) with the Montréal Orchid Society have been submitted and payments received. Plants are expected to arrive at the end of April and in early May, respectively, for distribution. Further details will be provided later with regards to a pick-up location. Jan thanked Monique and Marie-Josée for stepping up to undertake these group orders.
- Jean Hollebhone reminded members that next month's speaker is Sandy Svoboda who will speak about *Masdevallias*.
- Joyce Medcalf announced that the Southern Ontario Orchid Society's (SOOS) annual SummerFest plant sale will be held on Sunday August 7. More information will be coming. All OOS members are invited - you do not have to be a SOOS member to attend.
- Jan Johns touched on the Ukrainian crisis and encouraged local support. She showed a display of blooming *Phalaenopsis* orchids, dyed blue and yellow (Ukrainian flag) that showed open support from the Taiwanese Presidential office.

Jan thanked everyone and offered members the chance to briefly chat before ending the meeting.

## MARCH 2022 VIRTUAL SHOW TABLE RIBBON WINNERS

ALLIANCE	MEMBER'S NAME	NAME OF ORCHID	RIBBON AWARD
<i>Cattleya</i> Alliance Judged by Jean Hollebhone	Masa Matsuo	<i>Cattleya</i> Life's Melody ( <i>Cattleya</i> Circle of Life x <i>Cattleya</i> Magic Melody)	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Robert St-Jean	<i>Cattleya lueddemanniana</i> 'Arthur Chadwick' AM/AOS	2 <sup>nd-1</sup>
	Masa Matsuo	<i>Laeliocattleya</i> Chian-Tzy Ostelove 'CT-Little Love' ( <i>Cattleya fournieri</i> x <i>Laeliocattleya</i> Angel Love) 'CT-Little Love'	2 <sup>nd-2</sup>
	Nick Cox	<i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Tsiku Lily ( <i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Fuchs Orange Nuggett x <i>Cattlianthe</i> Trick or Treat)	3 <sup>rd-1</sup>
	Mélanie Charbonneau	<i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Mary Vaux Walcott ( <i>Rhyncattleanthe</i> Carolina Orange D'Or 'Lenette' AM/AOS x <i>Cattlianthe</i> Trick or Treat 'SVO 1n')	3 <sup>rd-2</sup>
<i>Cypripedium</i> Alliance Judged by Marie Josée-Bergeron	Annette Seling	[ <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Magic ( <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Star x <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Shin-Yi Heart)] x [ <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Red Apple ( <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Pulsar x <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Shin-Yi Apple)]	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Annette Seling	<i>Paphiopedilum rothschildianum</i> ('Majesty #2' x <i>Paphiopedilum rothschildianum</i> 'Mont Milais' FCC/RHS/AOS)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
	Robert St-Jean	<i>Paphiopedilum rothschildianum</i> x sib ('Black Beauty' x 'Giant Wings' GM/WOC)	3 <sup>rd</sup>
<i>Dendrobium</i> Alliance Judged by Joyce Medcalf	Hélène Mondou	<i>Dendrobium</i> Hamana Lake 'Dream' HCC/AOS ( <i>Dendrobium</i> Kurenai x <i>Dendrobium</i> Snow Angel)	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Maria Martins	<i>Dendrobium lindleyi</i> (Syn. <i>aggregatum</i> )	2 <sup>nd-1</sup>
	Janet Lang (photo by Arlene Lang)	<i>Dendrobium</i> Seigyoku 'Queen' HCC/AOS ( <i>Dendrobium</i> Oberon x <i>Dendrobium</i> Spring Wind)	2 <sup>nd-2</sup>
	Annette Seling	<i>Dendrobium</i> Fire Wings ( <i>Dendrobium</i> Big Alex x <i>Dendrobium</i> Silver Wings)	3 <sup>rd-1</sup>
	Sabina Gupta	<i>Dendrobium</i> Golden Blossom ( <i>Dendrobium</i> Golden Eagle x <i>Dendrobium</i> Dream)	3 <sup>rd-2</sup>
<i>Oncidium</i> Alliance Judged by Joyce Medcalf	Betty Warrington-Kearsley	<i>Miltoniopsis</i> Rene Komoda ( <i>Miltoniopsis</i> Edwidge Sabourin x <i>Miltoniopsis santanaei</i> )	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Betty Warrington-Kearsley	<i>Aliceara</i> Peggy Ruth Carpenter ( <i>Aliceara</i> Tahoma Glacier x <i>Miltonia</i> Purple Queen)	2 <sup>nd</sup>
<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Alliance  Named <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Judged by Scott de Vito	<b>Named <i>Phalaenopsis</i></b>		
	Sabina Gupta	<i>Phalaenopsis equestris</i> (#2 More Purple)	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Nick Cox	<i>Phalaenopsis equestris</i> (#1)	2 <sup>nd-1</sup>
	Mélanie Charbonneau	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Mini Mark ( <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Micro Nova x <i>Phalaenopsis philippinensis</i> )	2 <sup>nd-2</sup>
	Robert St-Jean	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Tying Shin Golden City 'TS-004' FCC/AOS ( <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Sogo Lawrence x <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Tying Shin Cellar)	3 <sup>rd-1</sup>
	Jan Johns	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> Yoko ( <i>Phalaenopsis aphrodite</i> x <i>Phalaenopsis wilsonii</i> )	3 <sup>rd-2</sup>
NOID <i>Phalaenopsis</i> Judged by André Couture	<b>NOID <i>Phalaenopsis</i></b>		
	Sabina Gupta	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 4 (large)	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Sabina Gupta	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 3 (mini)	2 <sup>nd-1</sup>
	Magdalena Gawronska	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 8	2 <sup>nd-2</sup>

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ALLIANCE	MEMBER'S NAME	NAME OF ORCHID	RIBBON AWARD
	<b>NOID <i>Phalaenopsis</i> (Continued)</b>		
	Magdalena Gawronska	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 7	3 <sup>rd-1</sup>
	Maria Martins	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 9	3 <sup>rd-2</sup>
	Julia Parshina	<i>Phalaenopsis</i> NOID 11	3 <sup>rd-3</sup>
<i>Pleurothallid</i> Alliance Judged by Marie-Josée Bergeron	Joyce Medcalf	<i>Restrepia</i> Frank Feysa ( <i>Restrepia sanguinea</i> x <i>Restrepia guttulata</i> )	1 <sup>st</sup>
Miscellaneous Judged by Joyce Medcalf	Annette Seling	<i>Bulbophyllum gracillimum</i> 'Natural World'	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Magdalena Gawronska	<i>Maxillaria variabilis</i>	2 <sup>nd</sup>
Photography Awards Judged by Pat Boisvert	Annette Seling	<i>Paphiopedilum rothschildianum</i> ('Majesty #2' x <i>Paphiopedilum rothschildianum</i> 'Mont Milais' FCC/RHS/AOS)	1 <sup>st</sup>
	Arlene Lang (grown by Janet Lang)	<i>Dendrobium</i> Seigyoku 'Queen' HCC/AOS ( <i>Dendrobium</i> Oberon x <i>Dendrobium</i> Spring Wind)	2 <sup>nd-1</sup>
	Julia Parshina	<i>Epidendrum</i> NOID	2 <sup>nd-2</sup>
	Annette Seling	[ <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Magic ( <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Star x <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Shin-Yi Heart)] x [ <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Hung Sheng Red Apple ( <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Pulsar x <i>Paphiopedilum</i> Shin-Yi Apple)]	3 <sup>rd</sup>
<b>Best of Show Table</b>	<b>Masa Matsuo</b>	<b><i>Cattleya</i> Life's Melody (<i>Cattleya</i> Circle of Life x <i>Cattleya</i> Magic Melody)</b>	
<b>Member's Choice Poll Winner</b>	<b>Masa Matsuo</b>	<b><i>Cattleya</i> Life's Melody (<i>Cattleya</i> Circle of Life x <i>Cattleya</i> Magic Melody)</b>	

**March Virtual Show Table Results**

**Best of Show Table**

**Member's Choice**

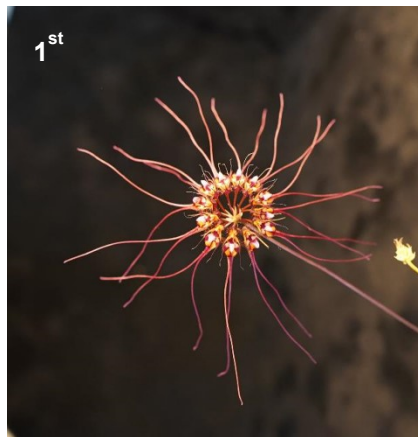
*Cattleya* Life's Melody  
(*Cattleya* Circle of Life x *Cattleya* Magic Melody)  
Masa Matsuo



***Pleurothallid* Alliance**



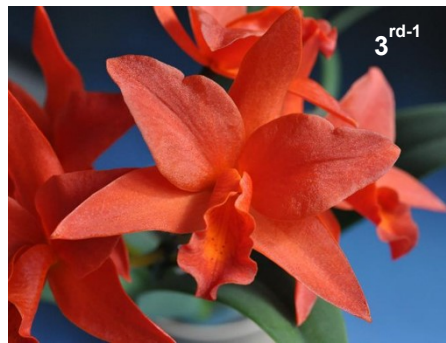
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## Cypripedium Alliance



## Cattleya Alliance



## Oncidium Alliance



# Photography Awards

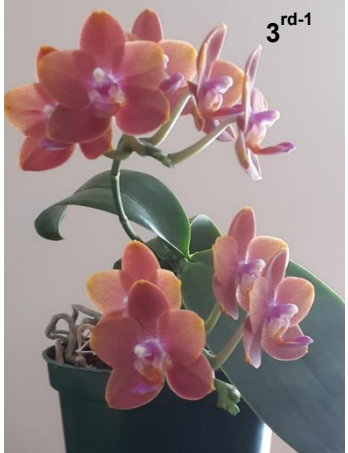


## *Dendrobium Alliance*





**Phalaenopsis Alliance - Named**



**Phalaenopsis Alliance - NOID**



## **Members' Blooming Orchids Needed For Orchidofolie Québec** **May 6-8, 2022**

PLEASE email [janet.johns@sympatico.ca](mailto:janet.johns@sympatico.ca) AND [monique.savard1962@gmail.com](mailto:monique.savard1962@gmail.com) **BEFORE Tuesday, May 3<sup>rd</sup> with the list of your orchids**, so that they can be researched for the correct or updated names. They must be registered online by Thursday May 5th. We need to know: colour, any markings and flower size. You can email a picture, if in doubt.

Orchids for the Orchidofolie Show in Québec City **should be dropped off** at Jean Hollebhone's residence (1176 Castle Hill Cres., Ottawa ON, K2C 2A8) **by Wednesday, May 4<sup>th</sup>**.

They will be returned to Jean's house on Monday May 9<sup>th</sup> (end of day). You will be sent an email to arrange pick-up once the plants are back at Jean's residence.

**\*\*Please email [jean@hollebhone.ca](mailto:jean@hollebhone.ca) or call Jean at 613-226-2395 to arrange a suitable time for plant drop off AND for pick up!**

### **TO PREPARE YOUR ORCHIDS FOR TRAVEL & SHOW DISPLAY:**

1. Put your name and phone number on the pot - on the back or underneath using masking tape.
2. Put your name and list of plants **INSIDE** the box **AND** on the **OUTSIDE** of the box.
3. Include the parentage of hybrids, if possible.
4. Ensure the name on the plant tag is spelled correctly.
5. Pack orchids carefully. Ensure they are protected from wobbling & from the elements during transport. Stake for transport and for best display, as appropriate.
6. Clean the foliage (leaves) - use water or water with a little milk. Never use plant shine products.
7. Remove any damaged/old flowers and leaves.
8. Check well that your orchids are free of pests!

Thanks to all participating members for sending your blooming orchids to our first out-of-town orchid show.

*Monique Savard & Hélène Mondou*

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Iwanagara Apple Blossom Photo: Marjolaine Plante

## Editor's Wrap



Welcome to April! Didn't realise that it was April until a week into it! Did any of you get pranked on April 1<sup>st</sup>? This year, I didn't even hear of it! Maybe my boys consider themselves too old to play pranks, but I didn't hear about it from anyone! Anyways, I am hoping that you all are taking advantage of the long and warm days to prepare for outdoor gardening! My veggie seedlings that I started indoors have already grown tall and are anxious to walk out of the house! While the good weather is still playing hide and seek, it is certain that we are now well into spring!

An in-person meeting in May is some change for sure! Although there are outbreaks again, considering the mildness of the symptoms, many are willing to take their chances. I hope many/some of you will be able to attend the meeting in person. I surely hope to.

It seems like there are going to be Orchid Shows in the near future, starting with the Orchidofolie Show in Québec City, in May! There is also a SummerFest organised by SOOS, which will be held on August 7<sup>th</sup>. I am sure that there will be many driveway sales in Toronto and the surrounding areas this summer. Why not plan your road trips around these times so you can kill two birds with one stone? We are going to host a sale in June as Jan Johns noted at the last meeting. If you are able to help out, please do contact her.

Many of you may have taken advantage of group orders organised by Monique Savard, Marie-Josée Bergeron and Jean Hollebne. Many thanks to them for their time and efforts. You will find some good articles on how to purchase plants wisely, as well as care tips for your Newly-purchased plants, in the archived editions of Spike. Do browse the previous editions of Spike.

Alright, in closing, I would like to take this opportunity to thank many members who have taken up new roles and responsibilities by signing up for various group activities in recent times. Your active participation and involvement is very crucial for the successful running of the Society.



Thanks to our Board members and Virtual Show Table judges for their consistent support. Thanks to Arlene Lang for her continuing proofreading services for Spike.

Take care and be safe!  
See you all next week!

*Sabina Gupta* (Editor, Spike Newsletter)