

Massachusetts Orchid Society

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A mighty big thanks to each and every board member for hosting a super show this year! Look at all those ribbons and display trophy!

Kudos to the following: Brigitte Fortin, Jeff Feldman and Anne Pfaff for site planning, show set-up and MOS display; Ellen Shapiro for show coordination; Mike Badia for hospitality; Zash Hudson, Meg Bright-Ryan, Dina Deresh and Ben Larson for tech backup and publicity; Brigitte F, Meg B-R and Adrienne Giovino for registration; Meg B-R and Anne P for show graphics. Thank you show volunteers (Bob Francey, who worked practically full-time with show set up and break down!); Joanna Eckstrom for her sage show wisdom and patient guidance and above all, to those who donated orchids. YOU made it possible to create our Award-Winning display!!

Click on the following for the 2019 MOS show winners:

[Best In Class](#)
[Results By Exhibitor](#)



First/Best In Class:
Fragrance
George Baltoumas –
Blc Ariel

MOS show table results November 2019

Judges: Mike Badia, Michel , Anne Pfaff, Ron Maloney

Scribe: Brigitte Fortin

exhibitor's name	plant's name	Lights/Windowsill/ Greenhouse	Warm/Cool /inter
Ron Maloney	Paph loweii x richardsonianum	L	w
Betsy Opitz	Paph barbigerum		
Sarah (Zash) Hudson	Paph fanaticum		
Bennett Riley	Masd Bella Donna	L	
Meg Bright-Ryan	Platystele umbellata	L	i
Anna & Rudy Seitz	Vanda lamellata x mem thinchai	G	w
Cindy Sykes	Neostylis Lou Sneary 'Bluebird'	W	w
Ron Maloney	Oncidium Sharry Baby	L	w
Mike Badia	Bulbophillum morphologarum	L	w
Mike Badia	Mediocalcar decoratum 'Party time'	L	w
Linda Abrams	Sc Crystel Smith 'Riberbend'	L	c
Nat Schecker	Barkaria scandens	W	i
Sasha Crotty	Slc Minipet 'Zoya Beau' HCC/AOS	W	i



Top: Platystele umbellata,
Meg Bright-Ryan
Bottom: Masdevallia Bella Donna,
Bennet Riley



total ribbons: 14
total plants: 31

MOS show table summary 2019-2020

	May	June	July	August	October	November	people choice award	Total
Brigitte Fortin		1		3				4
Mike Badia		1		1	1		2	5
Linda Abrams			3	1		1	1	6
Ron Maloney		2	1	2	2		3	10
Ralph and Cheiko Collins		8	2	7			aug.,nov.	17
Jeff Feldman				1				1
Meg Bright-Ryan			1				1	2
Cindy Sykes							1	1
Dina Deresh					1			1
Anne Pfaff					1			1
Brandt			2					2
Betsy Opitz		1					1	2
Benneth Riley ***							1	1
Nat Schecker ***							1	1
Anna & Rudy Seitz							1	1
Hanna Vincent			1					1
Bill Kimball		3						3
Sasha Crotty				1	1		1	3
Adrienne Giovino				1				1
Michel				2				2
Jeff Feldman				1				1
Zash Hudson ***				1	1	2	1	5
Virginia Ehas-Morse					1			1
Karen Stewart		1						1
Total # ribbons		17	10	21	8	3	14	73
Total plants		17	15	38	12	3	31	116

*** beginner
** photos



Minute Minutes

Notes from the Board Meeting

We are always interested in new topics for demos and speakers at the regular monthly meetings. Feel free to stop a board member and tell them what you'd like to hear about.

- ◆ **LAST CALL!** As of January, all unpaid members will be removed from our database. If you intend to renew your membership, you may do so at the holiday party.
- ◆ In lieu of a show table in December, we're hosting a silent auction. Many plants are thanks to very kind donations from the Ring Estate (via CAOIS) and Andy's Orchids. They include a *Vanilla*, several untagged from the *Cattleya* alliance and fun orchid friends like a *Nepenthes* (Pitcher Plant!) Plus, several are in cork pots, which are valuable on their own.
- ◆ The board welcomes Zash Hudson! Many thanks for becoming our new Membership Chair. We're thrilled to add you to our growing list of multi tech-talented directors!
- ◆ We've received exciting news that member Alan Kaitz's article, on a topic which promises to be of interest to many called "Growing Orchids in a Retirement Community" will be featured in January's Orchids magazine. Alan will be attending our holiday party. Congrats on your article, Alan!

In Memoriam

Jaroslaw Luciw

We were very saddened to recently learn that our friend and member, Jaroslaw passed away last May 31st. Jarry, who was 80 years old, joined MOS in 2002 and was one a handful of reliable contributors to our monthly show table; always guaranteed to take home a handful of ribbons for his gorgeous and meticulously grown orchids. Jarry's award-winning flowers adorned many Orchid Society shows. [Click Here](#) to view his obituary

Judith "Judy" Becker

Passed away August 20, at the age of 79, was a well-loved AOS Judge, noted orchid grower, hybridizer, and a lecturer. Judy helped her parents with their greenhouse, Lauray of Salisbury, which specialized in gesneriads, cacti, and exotic plants. She ran the business for decades, only retiring in 2015. She spoke at many MOS meetings and judged countless shows. Judy gave with her head, her heart, and her hands to the orchid world and is affectionately blamed for many an orchid addiction; especially, that of her longtime friend, Joanna Eckstrom. [Click Here](#) to view her obituary.



Left:
Barkeria scandens,
Nat Schrecker



Right:
Zygopetalum,
Ron Maloney



UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly AOS Judging & Holiday Party Potluck

07 Dec 2019 10:30 AM
Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

MOS Holiday Party & Auction

10 Dec 2019 Note 7:00 PM Start!
Sons of Italy, 117 Swanson St,
Winchester MA

Monthly AOS Judging

04 Jan 2019 10:30 AM
Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

Monthly Meeting – Brandt Moran:
De-flasking Orchids

14 Jan 2019 7:30 PM
Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St,
Winchester, MA

Monthly AOS Judging

01 Feb 2019 10:30 AM
Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

Monthly Meeting – Daryl Yerdon: TBD

11 Feb 2019 7:30 PM
Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St,
Winchester, MA



Special Thanks to Michael, Marty and Bob

Once again, Michael Kelliher and Marty Nahigian worked with me and did the yeoman's work of setting all the tables, poles, drapes and chairs in place for our beautiful show. And did so, again in record time!

And as the set up was completed, new member Bob Francey followed with the tablecloths and plastic protection of the floor under the vendor's tables.

MOS is lucky to have members like these folks who are always there when help is needed. There would be no show without this support from our membership.

A big shout out and "Special" thanks goes to Mike, Marty and Bob.

Jeff Feldman
Show Set-Up Committee

Above Left:
Top – Slc. Minipet
'Zoya Bean' HCC/AOS,
Sasha Crotty
Middle – Sc Crystel
Smith 'Riberbend',
Linda Abrams
Bottom – Phrag.
Peruflorea's Spirit,
Brigitte Fortin
(Brigitte's photo taken
at home as the flower
opened the day after
the meeting!)

Above Right:
Top - Bulbophyllum
Morphologorum, Mike Badia
Middle – Medicalcar decoratum,
Mike Badia
Bottom – Neostylis Lou Sneary
'Bluebird', Cindy Sykes

Right: First Place Pleurothallis
And Allied Species –
Ralph and Chieko Collins





A Shout Out To Our New Members

A special welcome to our new members that have recently become part of MOS. We are pleased that you chose to share the orchid experience with us! You have joined with others who enjoy learning, growing and gaining expertise with these beautiful plants and flowers.

Some of you are very new to orchids and some of you have experience growing. This is similar to most of us, though we are blessed to also have several highly skilled and experienced members. You will find these folks and all our members approachable and willing to help. Have a question: ask. Worried about a plant? Bring it to a meeting, but be sure to isolate it from the others to prevent contamination.

The show table at each meeting is for all of us, so bring your flowers in. For our less experienced folks, use a brown card (beginner) to identify your plant. For those that have been growing for a while, use a green card. And be sure to peruse the show table prior to the meeting. You will see some truly beautiful flowers and find out who grows them.

The purpose of the Mass Orchid Society is to interest and educate our members and the public on the joys of these special plants. Our speakers, available programs and events are designed to further your knowledge.

Of course, it is also important to enjoy the camaraderie of your fellow growers and share your experiences. In this regard, do be sure to come to the Holiday Party on Tuesday, December 10th. Information about this event can be found elsewhere in this newsletter, as well as on our website massorchid.org. We will have an auction, but there is no formal meeting. There will be a buffet and bar available. So come and socialize with your new friends!

We meet on the second Tuesday of the month at 7:30 at the Sons of Italy Hall at 117 Swanton Street in Winchester. Meetings include a free raffle of orchids, the show table and a speaker.

Finally, the membership committee is always available to help in any way possible. Please do not hesitate to ask at any meeting or anytime by email: <mailto:membership@massorchid.org>.

Membership Committee

Massachusetts Orchid Society

ANNUAL HOLIDAY PARTY

Tuesday, December 10, 2019 at 7:00 PM

Sons of Italy, Winchester
117 Swanton Street, Winchester, MA 01890

*Let's have some fun! Bring your food and some holiday cheer.
Please note the 7 p.m. start time.*

Turkey and ham will be provided by MOS.
There will be a cash bar. The rest is up to you!

Potluck by first letter of your last name.
Please bring enough to serve 12-14 people.

A - C : Appetizers
D - J : Salads
K - S : Side Dish
T - Z : Dessert
or your favorite Main dish

We will have a silent auction

To view a preliminary list of CAOIS orchid donations, go to next page.



Onc. Sharry Baby,
Ron Maloney

List of auction orchids donated from Cape and Islands O.S. – Read notes about labels below

Detached Labels found in GHouse, Match yr flower to these pics (St B Orchid Estate 3-9, Odom's Orchids 11-27, RF 28-31)
 Ring Collection 2019



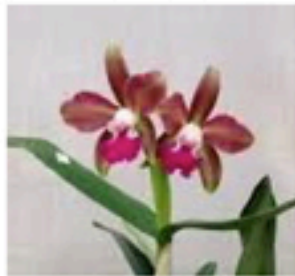
1. Dend Salaya Stripe



2. Dend. (Tay Swee Hock X Sungwam Onimsin)
 = D. Bob Burns)



3. Lc Ken Stromsland



4. Lc Haussermann's Sultan



5. Lc Irene Finney, AM/AOS



6. Lc Kathleen Clarke 'Carmenita'



7. Lc Columbus Queen



8. Cattleya Landate



9. Catt. bicolor



10. Miltassia Kauai's Choice



11. Ble Cherry Suisse



12. Lc Chan Hsiu Jewel



13. Vanda Thailand?



14. Ble Robert Ferguson



15. Ble Charolette Henshaw



16. Lc Puppy Love



17. Onc sphacelatum 'Sunbeam'



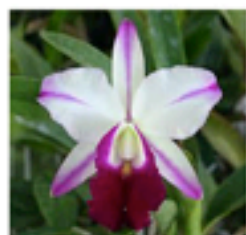
18 Catt. Cat Canyon no pic



19. Ble. Saint Helena Sound 20. Vanda Somsri Thai Spot



21. Ble. Chunyeah '#17'



22. Pot. Red Dawn no pic Red?

The AOS Northeast Judging Center Auction, located in Morristown, NJ, will be held December 21st. While this location might be far for some to travel to, the New Hampshire Orchid Society will host a *second* auction so that supported societies can attend at a more convenient location.

Date: December 7th (10am-3pm) at
Location: Bethany Chapel,
 54 Newbury Road, Manchester, NH 03103.

Click [here](#) for a preliminary list of plants being offered.

For more details, click on newhampshireorchidsociety.wildapricot.org, or you can reach Deb Bodei directly by phone at 201-316-3085.

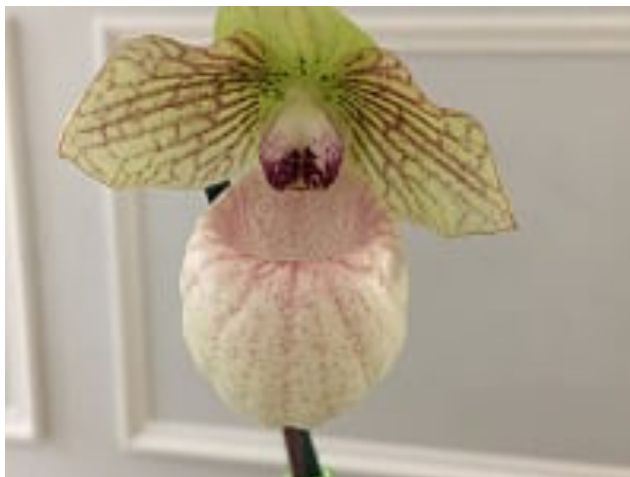


Congrats to Ron Maloney (again!) for November's People's Choice Award – Paph. lowii var. richardianum (below)

If you want to know how to get your neofinetias to bloom like Bob Richter's (below), chat with him at the monthly meeting! Bob's recognized as an experienced grower of many orchid genera; most notably for his spectacular neos.



Left:
 Paph. fanaticum,
 Zash Hudson



Right:
 Paph. barbigerum,
 Betsy Opitz



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Seasonal Orchid Care: DECEMBER/JANUARY

Click [here](#) for Checklist

Now you can access the MOS website
from your smartphone with this new app!

The new [Wild Apricot for Members App](#) allows members to log in and view content from www.massorchid.org.

What can your members do with the member app?

- View the member directory
- View a member's profile
- Email fellow members
- View the event calendar and event details
- Register for an event
- Specify the number of guests if the registration type was set up to collect the total number of guests only
- View your existing event registrations
- Pay an outstanding event registration fee
- View your member profile
- Download the app on Apple or Google Play.

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