

Massachusetts Orchid Society

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The Mass Orchid Society Annual Show and Sale ...It's Show Time!!

We have a new venue (our own Sons of Italy Hall), a new theme (Up Close and Personal) and you have a new opportunity to put your hand in with your fellow members (did we say *volunteer?*).

MOS needs you! Volunteer by visiting our website (massorchid.org), or go to the next page of this newsletter and follow prompts to sign-up sheets, such as:

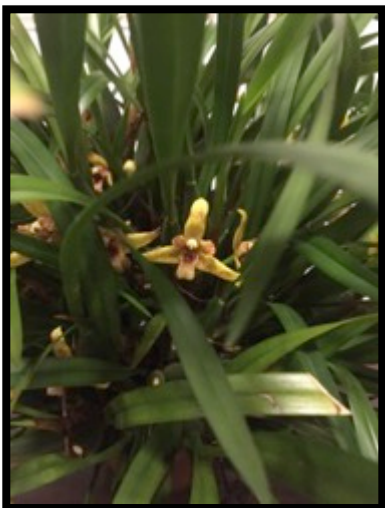
- **Set-up & breakdown**
- **Clerking**
- **Admissions**
- **Greeters**
- **Membership**
- **Raffle Table**
- **Hospitality**



We all have skills that match at least one of these opportunities. You know the drill... review, choose and type your name!

The annual show brings us great public exposure, new members and most of all; it's just plain fun, but we need you to be a part of it.

MOS Show Committee



Mike Badia,
Max. tenuifolia x
Max. sanguinea

MOS show table results August 2018

Judges: Burt Long, Brian Leib, Mike Badia

Scribe: Brigitte Fortin

exhibitor's name	plant's name	Lights/Windowsil l/Greenhouse	Warm/Cool/i nter
Mike Badia	dendrobium thrysiflorum	w	i
Mike Badia	paph Temptation	w	i
Brian Leib	paph acmodontum	w	
George Baltoumas	cymb aloifolium	w	i
Mike Badia	maxillaria hybrid	w	i
Betsy Opitz	vanda hybrid	l	i
Betsy Opitz	cochleata alba	l	i
Carren Savone	promenaea rollissoniana	l	i
Cindy Sykes	oncidium hybrid		
Cindy Sykes	no name		

total ribbons: 10

total plants: 13

MOS show table summary 2018-19

May June July August Sept. Oct. Nov. Dec. Jan. Feb April Total

Jeff Feldman	2	2											4
Brigitte Fortin	1	1	2										4
Charlie Briggs		1	1										2
Mike Badia			2	3									5
Linda Abrams	1		3										4
George Baltoumas		1		1									2
Anne Pfaff	1												1
Warren & Suzie Wheelwright		1											1
Betsy Opitz			1	2									3
Ralph DiFonzo	1												1
Warren & Suzie Wheelwright		1											1
Sasha Crotty			1										1
Caren Savone	3	1		1									5
Joel Shelkrot	1	1											2
Bob Richter	1	1	1										3
Ron Maloney	2												2
Cindy Sykes				2									2
Brian Leib				1									1
Dina Deresh		1	1										2

Total # ribbons	13	11	12	10	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	46
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Total plants	27	18	18	13										76
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*** beginner



Vanda hybrid, Betsy Opitz

Rt: *Cymb. aloifolium*,
Brian Leib

Below: *Paph. Temptation*,
Mike Badia



Onc. Hybrid, Cindy Sykes



Dendrobium thrysiflorum,
Mike Badia



Enc. cochleata alba,
Betsy Opitz



UPCOMING EVENTS

IPA Focus on Phals Day at NHOS

08 Sep 2018 10:00 AM

*Bedford Old Town Hall,
3 Meetinghouse Rd,
Bedford, NH*

MOS Annual Auction

11 Sep 2018 **7:00** PM

*Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St,
Winchester*

Monthly AOS Judging

06 Oct 2018 10:30 AM

*Tower Hill Botanic Garden,
11 French Dr, Boylston, MA*

Monthly Meeting

Orchids of Malaysian Borneo

09 Oct 2018 7:30 PM

*Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St,
Winchester MA*

Lyman Estate Fall Orchid Sale

19 Oct 2018 9:30 AM

*Lyman Estate Greenhouses,
185 Lyman St, Waltham, MA*



Above: Sindy Sykes, NOID

Below: Promenaea rollissonioana

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
- Currently, only an iOS version of this app is available. The app was designed for the iPhone, is compatible with the iPad and iPod Touch, and requires iOS version 10.0 or later.



SAVE THE DATE

World of Orchids: Up Close and Personal
Massachusetts Orchid Society
 Friday, November 2-Sunday, November 4
Sons of Italy
 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA

[Purchase tickets online or at the door](#)

Tantalize your sense of smell and sight at the Massachusetts Orchid Society's 2018 Orchid Show at our new location, Sons of Italy in Winchester, MA! The show will feature exotic displays of blooming orchids from around the world to showcase this year's World of Orchids theme.

There will be features for every level of enthusiast, from beginner to advanced, including: hourly tours of the displays, plant raffles, seminars and educational events, vendors of specialty orchids and growing supplies, orchid art, lessons on how judges award their ribbons and an opportunity to pick-up a magnifying glass to study an orchid the size of your thumbnail.

Dates & Times:

Friday, Nov 2, 12:30 pm - 5 pm

Saturday, Nov 3, 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday, Nov 4, 10 am - 4 pm

Location:

Sons of Italy

117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

[Click here](#) for directions.

Admission:

Free to MOS members and children 8 & under.

Adults \$10

More Information:

Vendors and Exhibitors - Learn about the vendors and exhibitors attending this show.

Awards - Learn about the trophies awarded at the show and sponsor a trophy. Sign up online.

2018 MOS Show Ribbon Awards by Exhibitor

2018 MOS Show Trophy Winners

Questions? Contact show@massorchid.org

Participant Information -

Vendor and Exhibitor Registration, [Click here](#)

Volunteer online sign-up to help at our show, [Click here](#)

Workshop & Speaker Schedule

Dates and Times

Topic / Speaker

TBA

Fri, Nov 2, 2017

12:30 PM - 5 PM
1 PM

Exhibits & Sales Area Open
AOS Show Plant Judging Session - Judges from the American Orchid Society will review the plants at our show to determine if any qualify for AOS awards.

Open to the public.

5:30 PM

Awards Ceremony

Sat, Nov 3, 2017

10 AM - 5 PM
10:30 - 11:15 AM
11:30 AM - 12 PM
12:30 - 1:30 PM
1:45 - 2:45 PM
3 - 4 PM

Exhibits & Sales Area Open

Sun, Nov 4, 2017

9 AM - 4 PM
11 AM
12:30 PM

Exhibits & Sales Area Open

SEPTEMBER 11TH IS THE MOS ANNUAL AUCTION!

AS ONE OF OUR LARGEST ANNUAL FUNDRAISERS, YOUR ATTENDANCE HELPS SUPPORT OUR SOCIETY!

LOCATION: SONS OF ITALY, WINCHESTER MA

TIME: 7PM

PLEASE CONSIDER:

- *DONATING HIGH-VALUE, HEALTHY PLANTS (NO PESTS OR DISEASES, PLEASE. IF UNSURE, BRING IT IN A SEALED PLASTIC BAG)
- *PLANTS NEEDING A LITTLE TLC ARE OK
- *BIDDING ON PLANTS
- *DONATING BAKED GOODS, DRINKS AND SNACKS FOR THE SALE

Orchids are donated by members, as well as many noted growers from around the country. Winning bids can range between \$5 to \$50+, often at a bargain. Many orchid species (there are over 30,000) can be grown on windowsills, without special lights or greenhouse conditions.

YOU WILL RECEIVE A TAX DEDUCTION FOR PLANT DONATIONS, BUT MOST IMPORTANTLY, YOUR GENEROSITY WILL ASSIST OUR SOCIETY IN RAISING FUNDS NEEDED TO COVER OUR OPERATING EXPENSES.....THANK YOU!!



AUCTION STARTS AT 7:00 – NOT 7:30!
THERE IS NO SEPTEMBER SHOW TABLE

PLEASE COME EARLY IF YOU CAN, TO HELP SETUP (AND CHECK OUT PLANTS).



We have plants from some great vendors including Piping Rock Orchids (www.pipingrockorchids.com), Seed Engei (seed-engei.com), Mostly Species (marniturkel.com/mostlyspecies.html), Sunset Valley Orchids (www.sunsetvalleyorchids.com) and several members!

To check out the plants online, [click here](#) for our auction website.

You'll need to sign up for a number when you arrive and please track your bids and wins to help doublecheck. Cash, checks and cards can be used for payment.

Looking forward to seeing you there! -Brian Leib

Odds And Ends~

MOS SHOW - CALLING ALL HANDS! Join the show committee and help us make this one of our best-ever shows. Contact Brigitte Fortin at bfortin425@msn.com or Jeff at jeffeld2@gmail.com to learn how you can contribute . **WE ARE ALSO LOOKING FOR A SHOW COMMITTEE CHAIR.**

MOS Board - There's still one board space open... please reach out to anyone on the board via email or at our next meeting if you'd like to join up. Our organization relies on YOU!

Hospitality Needs You! Volunteers are needed to join the hospitality committee, whose job is to set up the food table, make coffee/hot water and put supplies back in the storage bins at the end of each meeting. Hospitality by committee allows responsibilities to be shared, in case someone has to miss a meeting. The committee also needs a chair, someone to make sure each meeting is covered and to monitor for needed supplies. If interested, please see Ellen Shapiro at the next meeting or email her at ellen@massorchid.org.

MOS Auction Hey buddy, want an orchid, cheap? I mean, hey you! September is the annual Massachusetts Orchid Society Auction! We'll be bringing in some plants from some fantastic vendors and would love to have any of your plants (that are pest and disease free)! This is a big fundraiser for the society and a great way to get new plants for your collection inexpensively! If you had a great year and the plants are too big to come back inside for the winter, bring 'em! If you had a great year and the one plant is now two but you only have room for one, bring 'em! If you have that one stinkin' plant that no matter what won't bloom, you guessed it, bring it! (And don't worry, it will bloom for the new owner in short order!) Any plant you donate is tax-deductible and if you buy a plant over its retail price, the excess is deductible, I think (check with you tax planner!)

The meeting will start at 7 instead of the typical 7:30, but if you are bringing plants or if you want to help with setup or any other aspect, please come a bit earlier (6:15-ish). There will be an auction page and I'll get the link posted soon on the website.

Roving greenhouse help Learn all about greenhouse growing by lending a hand to some of our members who need help in their greenhouses. Charlie Briggs, in Winthrop, needs help moving his plants and materials back into his greenhouse before it gets too cool outside. Other tasks include repotting and general plant maintenance. Speak to Charlie at our next meeting. **For all greenhouse help**, you may message Anne at newsletter@massorchid.org.

Lyman Estate Fall Orchid Sale

Oct 19 - Oct 21

9:30am - 4:00pm

**Lyman Estate Greenhouses
185 Lyman St., Waltham, MA**

Celebrate orchid-blooming season. Hundreds of orchid plants are for sale, including many hard-to-find varieties. Visit the greenhouses and enjoy gorgeous floral colors, shapes, and scents.

Varieties on display and for sale include Cattleyas, Laelias, Oncidiums, Paphiopedilums, Phalaenopsis, and many more. Their long-lasting blooms are a dramatic addition to any indoor environment. This adaptable species can grow in a variety of home conditions.

Staff are available to offer expert advice.

Please call 617-994-5913 for more information.



Dear Members,

Please don't leave your flowering orchids home while you're off having fun at our monthly meetings. Bring them in to the show table, let them bask in their beauty and be enjoyed by everyone! Ribbons awarded to beginners, intermediate and advanced growers.





GROW AND SHOW!



Please share your secrets of success (or laments) with all of our members! Everyone has their own approach to growing and flowering orchids, particularly here in New England. We're curious to know what works for you and the challenges you face. Whether you grow on a windowsill, summer outside, indoors under lights or in a greenhouse, start taking photos of your growing spaces and send them along with a short essay to: newsletter@massorchid.org.

Just to get you started:

- How do you maintain proper humidity, light & temp levels indoors?
- What are some pros and cons of your lighting, ventilation and humidification systems?
- How to water without ruining your floors, messing up the bath or breaking your back carrying buckets.
- Greenhouse culture & setup; is yours a DIY or ready-made?
- Basement growing: induce flowering under lights; tracking day lengths and temps.
- Growing on mounts, in orchidariums, micro-climates, hydroponically...

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Seasonal Orchid Care: September/October

[Click here for Checklist](#)

Organizing orchid culture and its chores by season is a convenient way to make sure that your orchids get the proper care at the right time. Becoming in tune with your plants' growth cycles creates a connection with the natural world and makes you a better grower.

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