



The Plantation Orchid Society

An affiliate of the American Orchid Society

April 3rd, 2018

Tuesday April 3rd, 2018

Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:00 p.m.

Meeting starts promptly at

7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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From the President

Dear POS Members and Friends:

Thank you Thomas Bajza for your presentation on mini's. It has been a long time since we have had someone speak on mini's. The presentation introduced a very unusual and intriguing growing technique. As promised Thomas has forwarded his web pages for those who are interested in starting a mini collection. Purchases can be made at <https://tarzanegroup.com>

Looking forward to our April speaker Daryl Venables from Tezula Plants. He will be speaking on Tolumnias. Be sure to come and always bring a friend or a group of friends. April commences our early annual membership renewal. Be sure to fill out your application early to reserve your renewal plants that will be given out in June. Checks or Cash only please. You can download the membership form from our web page at PLANTATIONORCHIDSOCIETY.ORG under the Membership tab.

June is also our Election, Pot Luck, Annual Renewal, and Photo Contest. Members may enter 2 8X10 photos of a named plant. The winner will be featured on our Annual Auction Posters. This year is also elections for Board positions and Committee Chairpersons. If you would like to run or would like to nominate someone please contact Cindy Thompson at [954-699-7964](tel:954-699-7964). All positions are up for bid. Committee positions include: Holiday Party Chairperson, Auction Chairperson and Anniversary Party Chairperson. No experience necessary. Strong membership participation make our Plantation Orchid Society great.

See you at the meeting.

Rose Maytin
President



**Check out
the Plantation
Orchid Society
on Facebook**

Please welcome our newest members

**Rho De Borja
Judith Cao**

Congratulations to our March ribbon winners



Blue Ribbon
Dendrobium farmerii
Paul & Francisco



Blue Ribbon
V. Taweesuks x sanderiana
Michelle



Blue Ribbon
Rlc. Odom's Golden Fire
Tom & Barb Van Strander



Blue Ribbon
Lc. Hsin Buu Lady 'YT'
Jeff Tucker



Blue Ribbon
Den. Country Girl 'Warabeuta'
Carol Schwimmer



Blue Ribbon
Gur. skinneri
Phyllis Durst

As a reminder, all plants brought in for the show table should be free of pests and diseases. Take some time to stake and clean the leaves of your plants, this allows for better presentation. Also, please do not bring newly-purchased plants for the show table.

The show table is an outlet for members to share the great job they have done in growing and flowering their orchids; therefore, please respect the unwritten rule of owning and growing an orchid for a minimum of 6 months.

MORE BEAUTIFUL RIBBON WINNERS



Blue Ribbon
Lc. C.G. Roebling 'Blue Indigo'
Phyllis Durst



Blue Ribbon
Den. Spring Bird 'Kurashiki'
Michele



Red Ribbon
Den. Red Senator 'Maxim'
Tom & Barb Van Strander



Red Ribbon
C. aclandiae ('4N' x 'Gulfglade')
Gigi Louis



Red Ribbon
Tolu. Genting Orange
Karen Reynoldson



Blue Ribbon
Tolu. (Radiant Charm x Elfin Star)
Tom & Barb Van Strander

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OUR APRIL 2018 SPEAKER



Featuring Daryl Venables

My father still teases me to this day that he always knew I would end up in horticulture partly because at the age of three they had to build a fence around the vegetable garden to keep me out. Apparently I was obsessed with pulling up all the carrots to make sure they were growing okay. At the age of 7 my father took me to an orchid show as he needed to meet with a colleague who was working the show, and it was not love at first sight, more like love at first sniff! Before we had even entered the main hall, this smell hit me, I remember it as if it were yesterday, it was Dendrobium kingianum and is still one of my all time favorite orchids. When we walked through the main entrance to the show and I saw my first orchids, it changed my world forever. My father thought it would be a passing phase (just like the tropical fish, tortoises, pigeons, canaries and yes, there was even a rock collection phase!), but 30 years later, orchids are still a huge part of my life.

I have grown just about every orchid you could imagine, but it was not until I encountered Tolumnias that I knew immediately what I wanted to focus on. The only problem was, in Africa there were only 2 Tolumnias in circulation 30 years ago, so what was a young orchid nut to do..... bug his parents mercilessly until they agreed to help him import some new ones from Thailand of course! It took me a year to save up enough pocket money to meet the minimum order requirements, but the order was placed and I was delighted when a box of plants arrived. Most were in spike and when they started to bloom I could not believe the variety of colors and patterns. Fast forward to today, I have approximately 1,500 breeding plants which I have collected from all over the world and very recently started breeding on a much larger scale than before. I got tired of talking to myself about

I look forward to sharing my Tolumnia passion with you and sharing all the tips and tricks I have learnt about this wonderful genus over the past 30 years.



Daryl is offering a 10% discount for all preordered plants from his website

TezulaPlants.com

To be picked up at our meeting.

HOSPITALITY

Suzie Bleus-Fruit and Salami., Peter and Mireille-Coke, salsa and chips, Cindy Thompson-cheese pinwheels, Lenide Pierre Antoine-drinks, Karen Reynoldson-donuts, Elise Chapman-popcorn, Barbara Sanchez-rugelah
Peggy Geria-sandwiches

Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Clemence Lorquet.

Remember, we love the treats you bring (which are not just limited to sweets)

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU.IN OUR NEXT NEWSLETTER

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Enjoying our POS board meeting celebrating Rose and Bev's birthdays



POS 2018 CALENDAR

April 3rd: Daryl Venables-Tezula Plants

May 1st: Gail Miller-Miller's Way orchids

June 5th: 50th Anniversary Potluck

NOTEWORTHY

Would you like to serve on the Plantation Orchid Society Board or committee? Our elections are in June. Please nominate yourself or a friend to be on the board or serve on one of our committees. No experience necessary.

June is our 50th Anniversary, Pot Luck, Photo Contest, and Elections. Get your recipe cards out and your camera. For members only: Two entries in 8 X10 per person of named orchids.

Our March speaker Thomas Bajza

The Giant World of Miniature Orchids & How to Grow Cool Growers in Florida

By Gigi Louis



Tomas delighted us with his talk and slide show on miniature orchids. If you are a member of the Facebook group Florida Orchid Growing (FOG), then you are already familiar with Tomas' minis – and his amazing photography of the blooms.

Tomas explained how to grow micro and miniature orchids indoors in a simple set up using a glass orb or vase and live moss, which provides humidity for the plant. When grown this way, the plants do not require frequent watering – perhaps every two to three days – because the live moss keeps the humidity levels high.

The plants may be grown on a windowsill, near a glass door or under lights. If growing under lights, Tomas recommends aquarium lights because they are waterproof. Fans are generally not needed unless you are growing in a tall vase then any inexpensive fan may be used to provide additional air circulation.

Warm-growing plants may be grown outdoors on a patio or balcony. Watering is easy using a pump sprayer. If your particular species are fussy about water quality, rain or RO (reverse-osmosis) water should be used.

Cool-growing species may be grown in a vivarium or even a repurposed wine cooler! In the alternative, they may be kept indoors all summer and then moved outdoors in the cooler months. Cold fronts are actually beneficial to the cool growers and will prompt them to bloom.

ICU for Miniatures

When ordering plants from international vendors, be aware that small plants do not travel as well as standard orchids. They will require a little TLC when they arrive. Be aware that they may lose all of their leaves!

Create an ICU in a container or jar using live moss. Simply put the plant inside and close it up until the plant recovers from its long journey.

Mounting Materials

- Cholla wood (choy-a) – the skeleton of the cholla cactus which may be found at shops that sell aquarium or reptile supplies.
- Cork plaques Cork bark – available from some orchid vendors by the pound or in quantity from Maryland Cork,
- Hygroton – a textured, wicking cloth that may be stuffed with foam to make a mounting tube. Available from Glass Box Tropicals and other online vendors

Feeding

Tomas feeds his plants with MagiCal (magnesium and calcium), Sugar Daddy (magnesium and Sulphur), Grow More (seaweed extract), RepotMe Feed Me (MSU formula fertilizer) and Dynagrow Orchid Pro 7-8-6.

Tomas provides full service orchid care including simple inside growing setups, in-home care and repotting and mounting services in addition to miniature and rare orchid sales. He may be reached at tommy.bajza@yahoo.com.

A special offer from Tomas Bajza

WWW.TARZANEGROUP.COM

**20% discount on all plants purchased
through the website**

Offer good through April 30th, 2018

**Promo code
'Speech'**

SHOWS

Tropical Plant Fair -Richardson Park- FREE ADMISSION

March 24, 2018 9:00 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

March 25, 2018 10:30 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

1937 Wilton Drive, Wilton Manors, FL 33305

Flamingo Gardens Orchid & Bromeliad Expo & Sale

March 31 & April 1, 2018 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3750 South Flamingo Road, Davie, FL 33330

www.flamingogardens.org/events.html

For more info call 954-472-2955

Go to their website for 25% OFF COUPON FOR ADMISSION

Sawgrass Nature Center & Wildlife Hospital

Orchid, Native & Garden Art Festival

April 7 & 8, 2018 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m.

3000 Sportsplex Drive, Coral Springs, FL 33065

Mounts Botanical Garden-Spring Plant Palooza

April 28th 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

and 29th 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m.

531 N. Military Trail. West Palm Beach, Florida

Redland International Orchid Festival-Fruit and Spice Park

May 18th, 19th and 20th 2018, 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

24801 SW 187th Ave., Homestead, Florida 33031

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