

# The Plantation Orchid Society An Affiliate of the American Orchid Society

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#### TUESDAY, SEPT. 4, 2012

Setup/Social 6:45 – 7:15 p.m. Meeting 7:15 – 9:00 p.m.

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Dear POS Members:

Many thanks to Jason from Indian River Orchids for coming all the way down from Vero Beach to give us some of his valued knowledge. Everyone raved about the meeting and found it very entertaining. I know I have used Jason's advice in the past to my advantage. We appreciated all the good info. Our September meeting and last speaker for the year, will be Greg Allikas a world recognized publisher and orchid photographer. His photos have been published in Orchid Digest, AOS magazines, calendars and orchid books worldwide. Greg will be speaking on one of my favorites topics, the very neglected, Dendrobiums.

As we get close to the end of the year, our POS calendar of events becomes very full. In October we have our Auction and we really need a lot of volunteers to help out. The money raised from the auction pays our speakers and our venue for the upcoming year. Please be so kind as to donate plants and/or help out during the auction, setting up, breaking down, or picking up plants. Don't forget to post an Auction poster everywhere you go and get your friends to do the same. I ask every client that comes in to post one at work or at their club. We must fill the room.

The Deerfield Beach Orchid Society has invited our POS members to join them on their second annual ramble on November 3rd. I'm looking forward to rambling with a fellow orchid group. Reservations are limited. See Information in this newsletter.

Our POS Holiday party will be held on December 5th. Again, information will be in the upcoming newsletter. Please mark your calendar. Seating is limited.

See you at the meeting!

Sincerely, Rose Maytin, President



Check out the Plantation Orchid Society on Facebook



Volunteers are needed to help with the October Auction. Please contact Rose if you are willing to help us out!



**GREEN RIBBON** Den Eima Impact Karen Reynoldson



BLUE RIBBON Den. No ID Mary Lee Tabeling



<u>RED</u> RIBBON Dtps. Chain Xen Queen Mary Lee Tabeling

# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR AUGUST RIBBON WINNERS!



<u>GREEN RIBBON</u> Otaara. Hidden Gold Helene Albee



<u>BLUE</u> RIBBON Schomburkia Schultzii 'Old Sherry' Phyllis Durst BLUE RIBBON Pot. Susan Fender 'Cinnamon Stick' Jeff Tucker

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 newlypurchased 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.



BLUE RIBBON Den. Lasienthera Helene Albee



<u>BLUE</u> RIBBON Lc. Empress Elizabeth Phyllis Durst



<u>RED</u> RIBBON Dtps. Fushings Glad Lip Mary Lee Tabeling

#### **UPCOMING POS CALENDAR**

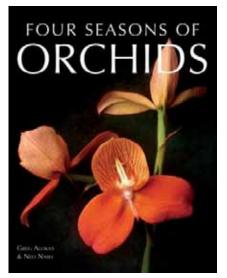
September:Greg Allikas - Photographer/GrowerOctober:POS Annual AuctionNovember:RambleDecember:Annual holiday party

#### **POS COOKBOOK RECIPES**

Because of your great response to the dishes that were brought to the anniversary dinner, we have decided to try and make a cookbook. We are asking for your recipes for the dish you brought to the meeting and we will try to assemble a POS cookbook for us all to enjoy. E-mail the recipe to posorchids@gmail.com)

# OUR SEPTEMBER SPEAKER: GREG ALIKAS Photographer and Grower

Greg Allikas is known the world over for his brilliant photographs of orchids, flowers and foliage. His extensive knowledge of his subject and arts background offer a unique interpretation that is both accurate, and stunningly beautiful. He has been a commercial photographer and orchid grower since 1970. He is awards photographer for the AOS West Palm Beach Judging Center, Florida-Caribbean Judging Center in Miami and numerous annual orchid shows in the U.S. and abroad. His photos are regularly seen in



American Orchid Society publications including the annual calendar and ORCHIDS magazine. He has written numerous articles for both ORCHIDS magazine and Orchid Digest. His orchid articles have been published in Russia, Germany, Sweden and South America The book Orchids (Thunder Bay Press, 2000), coauthored with Ned Nash, featured over 200 of his photos. In November 2005, Thunder Bay Press published a second Allikas-Nash book, The World's Most Beautiful Orchids which features over 500 photographs and 450 pages of text. A third Allikas-Nash collaboration, Four Seasons of Orchids, published by Creative Homeowner is now in its second edition. This highly-reviewed 256 page book features more culture information than the previous two volumes and deals with culture from a seasonal approach. Greg's most recent collaboration is The Orchid Whisperer written by colorful San Francisco orchidist, Bruce Rogers. This guide to growing orchids is sure to be a hit. In 2005, Greg was honored to consult on, and supply photography for a United Nations postal administration endangered species stamp release featuring 12 endangered orchid species. Recipient of the Silver Medal from the American Orchid Society. Greg is the



proprietor of the popular Orchid Photo Page on the World Wide Web at www.orchidworks.com.

Greg and his wife Kathy maintain a mixed collection of over 1,000 orchids comprised of Cattleyas & Laelias, Vandaceous, Dendrobiums and Oncidiums as well as many unusual species orchids.

Greg can be reached at:

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## HOSPITALITY

Thanks to everyone who brought food to the August meeting. Chix Wraps - Phyllis Durst, Brownies and Lemon Fingers - Stacy Russell, Stuffed Mushrooms - Angela Puca, Apple Cheese Platter & Popcorn - Christine Williams, Chips - Helene Albee, Key Lime Pie - Rosemary Deming, Chocolate Cake - Karen Reynoldson. Remember, we always love the treats you bring but:

PLEASE DON'T FORGET TO SIGN THE SHEET SO WE CAN THANK YOU IN SEPTEMBER. Coffee and soda will be provided by the Society courtesy of Judy Revier.

# The Plantation Orchid Society **AUGUST HIGHLIGHTS**





















# **POS WILL BE FIFTY!**

The 50th Anniversary of the Plantation Orchid Society is in 2018. Rose is in the process of preparing memorabilia for POS in the way of photos, banners, awards. Etc. If you know anyone that knows someone that has anything to contribute please call Rose at 954-401-3171 or e-mail posorchids@gmail.com

## OUR AUGUST SPEAKER WAS JASON GRIFFIN OF INDIAN RIVER ORCHIDS

At our August meeting we were motivated with Jason's high energy orchid pep talk. The most important thing to remember about orchids, Jason stressed, is that orchids should be fun! We are blessed to live here in S. Florida with an almost perfect growing conditions.

Jason like to grow his orchids in Staylite rock augmented with recycled rubber tires. He likes this media because it lasts forever and handles



water well. Aliflor works like Staylite but, because it is round, doesn't give as much surface for the roots to grab onto. He loves to mount onto driftwood that has been well soaked in fresh water. Any cypress floating in a fresh water lake is fair game. He also recommends cork and pecky cypress for great mounts. Baskets made of cypress or teak will last for 5-8 years. He also likes to use plastic baskets for his orchids. Jason stressed that all orchids must be securely attached to any mount that is used. On vertical mounts, be sure and mount the orchid low on the mount so that it can climb upward.

Jason likes to put his rhizome clips through a straw to protect the plant from the wire. When Jason is repotting, he will throw the back bulbs in a clay pot and wait 6-9 months to see if they will make an "eye", which will grow into a new plant. Jason likes to think outside the box. He demonstrated how to mount a cattleya on an upside down basket. The cat will grow its roots all over and around the basket. Ants can be a problem for your orchids because they can carry virus and diseases. Orthene works best to control ants, but it is smelly. Malathion is another good pesticide that can be used on flowers. He stressed that all insecticides should be used in the late afternoon or evening to avoid burning the plant. This is especially important for



pesticides that contain oils.

Jason said that when your orchid grows straight up out of the basket or pot and not sideways, it is getting enough light. Phals with big wide leaves need shade while orchids with thin pencil leaves need full sun.

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# **THE POS NEEDS YOUR EXTRA PLANTS!**



We are down to the wire, now is the time for all good members to get those gardening gloves out, clean out your leftover pots and divide your plants! We must raise funds to pay for our wonderful speakers, meeting room rentals, along with non-profit and bank fees and other miscellaneous. The club needs your extra plants to auction at the October meeting. Please help us out and share!

## Our regular POS meeting in November is being replaced this year with a ramble by invitation of the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society.

	A Personal Invitation to Members of Plantation Orchid Society:
	To the Deerfield Beach Orchid Society Second Annual
	Business Class Motor Coach Trip
	Saturday, November 3, 2012
7:00 a.m.	Leaving Deerfield Beach Woman's Club parking lot
	910 E. Hillsboro Blvd., Deerfield Beach, FL 33441
7:30 a.m.	A quick stop at Exit 99 on Turnpike (Okeechobee Blvd., (S.E. Quadrant)
	College Plaza Shopping Center, Behind "Chick Fill A" Look for the red ribbon on the tree.
9:45 p.m.	Return to Deerfield Beach Women's Club Parking with a prior stop at Okeechobee Blvd.,
I	Chick Fill A.
	We will be going up the East Coast and stopping at:
Odom's Orc	
Ritter Tropic	
1	Orchids/Our Vital Earth
1	Plant and Garden Fair on Lake Dora With numerous Orchid Growers, Plants and Crafts
This will be a	a memorable day!!!
What to Bring: Carton or box with your name on it to put under the bus for the orchids you just can't live	
without.	

Cost: \$70.00 per person. This includes breakfast, lunch and luxury bus, drinks, snacks and all the fun you can soak up. We will stop at Cracker Barrel on the way back for dinner. (NOT INCLUDED) We will pass the hat to tip our same driver James.

**!!!!THERE ARE NO REFUNDS!!!!** Mail check directly to Madeline.

Deadline for Reservations: October 12, 2012

Contact: Madeline Felton, 800 S.W. 17th Street, Boca Raton, FL 33486, Phone: 954-415-6163 or 828-963–8808. Sorry no E-mail.

If you had fun last year, I have a few more surprises for you this year. Our Motor Coach is small and exclusive so make your reservation soon. There are only 36 seats.

Sincerely: Madeline Deerfield Beach Orchid Society.



## PLANTATION ORCHID SOCIETY ANNUAL AUCTION

# TUESDAY, OCTOBER 2, 2012

PREVIEW STARTS AT 7:00 P.M. AUCTION STARTS PROMPTLY AT 7:15 P.M. Cash, Checks & Credit Cards Accepted

#### DEICKE AUDITORIUM 5701 CYPRESS RD.

PLANTATION, FL 33317 (To get to Deicke, take Broward to Fig Tree Lane, go north 1 block to Cypress Rd. then turn right and Deicke is on the left.)

> www. plantationorchidsociety.com e-mail: posorchids@gmail.com OR Phone: 954-584-4796

UP FOR AUCTION WILL BE MANY BEAUTIFUL ORCHIDS FROM BOTH LOCAL AND HAWAIIAN GROWERS

PLEASE BRING YOUR FRIENDS!





### Animal Rescue

Phyllis Durst is still collecting old towels and blankets and washable throw rugs for animals in rescue shelters. If you have any towels or blankets that you would like to get rid of, please bring them to our meeting Tues. and give them to Phyllis.

# **CURRENT EVENTS**

#### Mounts Botanical Garden "Everything Orchids; A Shady Affair"

Plant Sale September 15 & 16, 2012 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. 531 N Military Trail West Palm Beach FL, 33415. http://www.mounts.org/things-to-do/event-calendar/

#### **66th Miami International Orchid Show**

Friday, October 5, 2012 - 10:00 am - Sunday, October 7, 2012 - 5:00 p.m. Bank United Center at University of Miami 1245 Dauer Drive Coral Gables, Florida 33146 Delray Beach, FL. For more information: visit their website http://delraybeachorchidsociety.com/.