



# The Plantation Orchid Society

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**Wednesday Nov. 7, 2016**

**Annual Holiday Party  
7:00 p.m. - 10:30 p.m**

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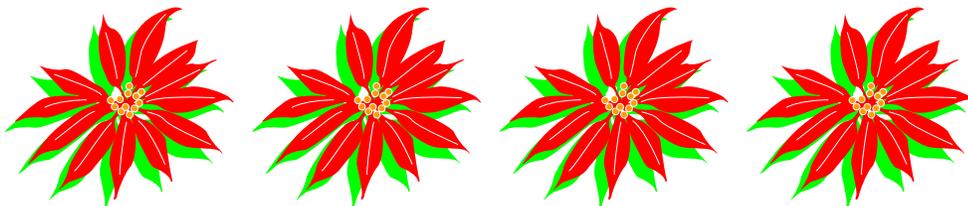
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*From the President*

Dear POS Members and Friends:

Thank you Mike Owens for the fantastic slide show presentation on Fakahatachee State Park. Your passion and dedication for your work and love for the Fakahatachee Strand was reflected in your presentation. I look forward to setting up a tour for our members in the near future to visit and get an up close experience.

If you missed our last meeting with Mike Owens or any of part of the meeting, you can watch it anytime you like on our Facebook Page. Just "Like" the Plantation Orchid Society Face Book Page and view it on Face book Live.

Thank you to our members, Bev Warde, Elise Chapman, Karen Reynoldson and Phyllis Durst for constructing such a beautiful Orchid display at the Bonnet House. Many of the visitors commented on the beauty and size of the plants and the presentation. These public orchid displays really show the dedication and knowledge of the experienced hobbyist we have in POS. Well done.

Our annual Holiday Party will be on December 7th at the Ft. Lauderdale Golf Course and Country Club. I look forward to enjoying an evening of dining and enjoying POS members.

Tony Millet and Sue Dohn will be doing the January hands on workshop. This workshop will include, how to remove kiki's and repot and care for various types of orchids. This is a great opportunity to ask questions on any problems you may be having at home. Feel free to bring in your problem plants for advice but please keep these plants separate from the raffle, show table and exhibit plants.

Wishing everyone a healthy and Happy Holiday Season.

Rose M. Maytin  
President



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



**Annual Holiday Party!**

Our Holiday party is this Wednesday, December 7th!



# CONGRATULATIONS TO OUR NOVEMBER RIBBON WINNERS!

Photos by Peter Jeannopoulos



**BLUE RIBBON**  
Blc. Alma Kee  
'Tipmalee' AM/AOS  
Phyllis Durst



**CULTURE RIBBON**  
Blc. Anna Balmores  
'Convex'  
Jeff Tucker



**BLUE RIBBON**  
V. Bitz's Heartthrob  
Lynn Molitor



**BLUE RIBBON**  
McIna. Yellow Star  
'Golden Gambol'  
Tom & Barb Van Strander



**RED RIBBON**  
Blc. Donna Kimura  
'Paradise Tami'  
Jeff Tucker



**RED RIBBON**  
Onc. Mayfair  
Tom & Barb Van Strander



**RED RIBBON**  
Den. Brown Lupe Antelope  
Phyllis Durst

**NOT PICTURED**  
**SPECIES RIBBON**  
Phal. bellina fma. coerulea  
Phyllis Durst

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Thanks to all the members who worked so hard on our display at the Bonnet House this past weekend. Karen, Phyllis and Bev handled the setup for the display and Karen, Phyllis, Elise and Rose participated in the breakdown. Congratulations on a beautiful display!

## Help Needed

We are going to need display and set up help for the

**Ft. Lauderdale  
Orchid Show  
at War Memorial Auditorium**

Set up the display on Wednesday,  
Jan. 18, 2016.

Please Call Contact Phyllis Durst  
954-584-4796 or  
Rose Maytin 954-401-3171  
if you are able to help or you have  
blooming plants that we can put in  
the displays.

## POS 2017 CALENDAR

**January 3**  
Sue Dohn & Tony Millet  
Repotting demo

**February 7**  
Mac Orchids  
Topic Dendrobiums

**March 7**  
Bill Thoms,  
Topic - Bulbophylliums

**April 4**  
Steve Arthur,  
Topic - Species Orchids

**May 2**  
Tony Millet  
Topic - hybridizing  
"How are orchids born?"

**June 6**  
Membership and Pot Luck

**July 4**  
No Meeting

**August 1**  
Movie and popcorn night  
TBD

**September 5**  
Brian Monk  
Topic - Warm Growing  
Cymbidiums

**October 3**  
POS Auction

**November**  
TBA

## HOSPITALITY

THANKS to all the members who brought snacks the November meeting!

Linda Dawkins - Potato Chips and Dip, Peter and Mireille Jeannopoulos - Cheese Cake, Salsa and Chips, Terry Volnik - Melon, W. David - Brownies, Sallie Sherwood - Ham and Cheese in Puff Pastry, Orpha Hirst - Deviled Eggs & Half and Half, Laslie Dengler - Hummus and Nut things, Suzie Bleus - Cut Apple and Dip, Elise Chapman - Cookies.

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

## **OUR NOVEMBER SPEAKER Mike Owen, Chief biologist at the Fakahatchee Strand**

by Gigi Louis

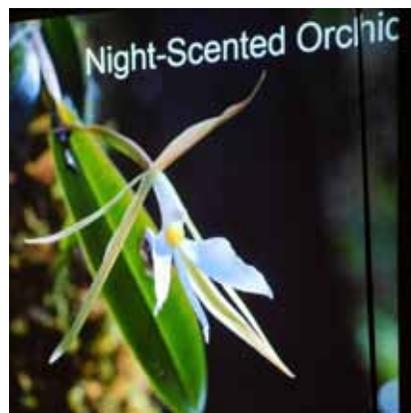
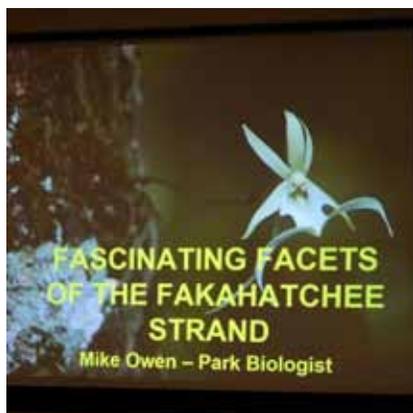
We were so fortunate to be able to hear Mike Owen's delightful presentation on the Fakahatchee Strand. Mike's enthusiasm regarding his work is infectious. By the end of the evening, we were all ready to sign up for a field trip!



The Fakahatchee Strand is one of the most biologically rich places in the greater Everglades and hosts a wide array of habitats and forest types from the wetter swamps and prairies to the drier islands of tropical hardwood hammocks and pine rock lands. —visitors will experience a portion of Florida's remaining subtropical wilderness. Its groves of native royal palms are the most abundant in the state and the ecosystem of the Fakahatchee Strand is the only place in the world where bald cypress trees and royal palms share the forest canopy.

It is the orchid and bromeliad capital of the continent with 44 native orchids – Florida boasts more native orchids than any other state - and 14 native bromeliad species. It is a haven for wildlife. Florida panthers still pursue white-tailed deer from the uplands across the wetlands. Florida black bears and Eastern indigo snakes, Everglades minks and diamondback terrapins can still be found here. It is centered on the world's largest strand swamp, a geological feature unique to the region. Known as the "Grand Canyon of the Everglades", it is the largest strand swamp in the world, at 85,000 acres. The biodiversity of the strand is so great that you could not see it all in a lifetime! The humidity in the strand is very high which keeps the dew point above freezing. In addition, there are 94 swamp lakes in the strand and there are very subtle differences in the topography. The deeper areas are known as sloughs. The strand became a nature preserve in 1974 and is home to many rare plants, ferns and bromeliads as well as the famous Ghost Orchid, *dendrophylax lindenii*. Many of the native tillandsias in the strand are being desimated by the Mexican bromeliad weevil. Orchid seeds are the lightest seeds on the planet and are disbursed by wind in the wild. The preserve is currently working with Marie Selby Gardens to obtain airplant seeds in order to repopulate the strand.

Mike is working on restoring orchids which have been lost in the wild due to over collecting which was prevalent from the 1930s through the 1970s.



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**Special Thanks to Peter Jeannopoulos for taking the photos at the November meeting and also Thanks to Gigi Louis for her synopsis of our November speaker's presentation.**

## **CURRENT EVENTS**

### **American Orchid Society Judging Educational Presentation**

**December 17th, 2:00 - 4:00 p.m.**

Visit [www.wpbjudging.org](http://www.wpbjudging.org) for plant entry procedures and more information  
West Palm Beach Judging Center at Flamingo Gardens

Contact Carol Holdren at (561) 212-4876 or email [cjholdren@gmail.com](mailto:cjholdren@gmail.com) for more information.

### **2017 Tamiami International Orchid Festival**

**January 13, 2017 - January 15, 2017**

10901 Coral Way (S.W. 24th St) Miami, FL 33165

Sunday 10am to 6pm

Dade County Fairgrounds Expo Center

The "largest winter orchid event in the United States." — The Boston Globe

Text ORCHIDS to 22828 to receive information about orchid festivals.

Admission: Single day: \$10 in advance, \$12 at the door

Weekend Pass (only in advance): \$20

### **The Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society proudly presents their annual Orchid Show for 2016 "A Galaxy of Orchids"**

**Friday, January 20, 2017: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Saturday, January 21, 2017: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.**

**Sunday, January 22, 2017: 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.**

NE War Memorial Auditorium 800 NE 8 Street Fort Lauderdale, Florida

Parking is free • Admission is \$8.00 Presale (through January 19)

DAY OF SHOW: Tickets will be available at the door. Admission is \$12.00 per person at the door  
12 & under free w/adult

### **11th Annual International Orchid Festival Fairchild International Orchid Show,**

**March 10-11-12, 2017 9:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.**

One of the bigger shows on the beautiful grounds of the Fairchild Botanical Gardens.

For three days, guests can immerse themselves in a tropical landscape brimming with orchids. Browse more than 10,000 orchid plants on sale from international vendors and learn how to care for them at the gardening workshops and lectures. Travel through the Rainforest to see where orchids originate from and how they grow. Enjoy delicious teas and savory snacks at the Orchid Tea Room, open Friday through Sunday from 11 a.m. – 3 p.m. For a truly spectacular sight, visit the Garden House and marvel at the orchid displays presented by the Orchid Society of Coral Gables and juried by the American Orchid Society. Children can learn about how vanilla is made from vanilla orchids at the fun and educational OrKids section. The Garden House Lawn will be filled with food vendors and live music.

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