

# **ORCHID NEWS**

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## The President's Corner

From the President:

It's hard to believe that in less than a month we will launch KOS Orchid Show 2022! This will be our first show in 2 years (thanks to Covid) and I know you are all really looking forward to it. We need everyone's help to make this show a success. Our September meeting will be dedicated to this event and we will be discussing all the details. The chairpersons, Jan Smith and Stephen Benjamin, will be conducting the majority of the meeting and making sure everything we need for the show is covered. Please attend this important meeting at Sojourn East Church on September 13 at 6:30. We will not have any food at this meeting, so please plan accordingly. We will have Show & Tell and a raffle. We'd love to see everyone at the meeting but if you can't attend in person, the meeting

will be available on Zoom. Here is the link for the meeting:

KOS Admin is inviting you to a scheduled Zoom meeting.

Topic: KOS Admin's Zoom Meeting

Time: Sep 13, 2022 07:00 PM Eastern Time (US

and Canada)

Join Zoom Meeting

https://us06web.zoom.us/j/84296027878?pwd=MzhLR29FckNKSE9jdDRVa3Z3UlgxZz09

Meeting ID: 842 9602 7878

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Passcode: 178609

Find your local number:

https://us06web.zoom.us/u/kcYEKdL2IH

Unfortunately, this will be our last meeting at the Sojourn East location. Once again, we are looking for a new meeting venue. Suggestions are welcome but we must secure a place before our October meeting. If you have ideas, please email me, Janet Crafts or Sal Locascio. Also, once we secure the new location, we will send out a notification email telling you where we will meet. Please be on the lookout!

Hope you are having a wonderful week and I hope to see all of you at the meeting.

Deanna Day, President

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# The Vice President's Corner

Letter from the Vice President:

September, the month when school starts again for many and Labor Day which reminds us all that summer is winding down and fall is right around the corner. Pumpkins and squashes are growing fast with the cooler night temperatures and we are looking forward to pumpkin pie and apple cider.

We better have our orchid growing area and greenhouse ready to receive our plants which summered outside. The plants will be rejuvenated having received all those fresh breezes and Mother Nature's watering. We will need to be vigilant when bringing all of them back inside because unwanted "critters" may try to hitch a ride and once inside the treatment is not always easy or safe. Bringing them inside gives us an opportunity to inspect each and every plant and treat accordingly. More about that at a later time.

At least six KOS members were at the Orchid Fest in Kettering this past weekend. I hope they enjoyed their trip up north. There was lots of potting to do for me since MVOS had decided that if people bought a bare root orchid from vendors or brought an orchid from home that needed care, the society would repot/pot them up for a nominal fee. Some vendors, our own Stephen amongst them, even gave 'a refund' when they purchased a plant from them and had it potted up. I did loose count; however, it was a very good fundraiser for MVOS. There was a large selection of orchids available for sale and I'm sure the vendors where pleased with the turnout. Let's hope we can reproduce this at our show and have a large crowd!

There were 140 orchids entered for judging and 10 AOS awards were awarded!

Hope you had a chance to listen/view the speakers? Both talks were recorded and will be made available later.

Large number of people attended the Sunday morning meeting from the Mid America Orchid Congress as well.

https://midamericanorchids.org/

Our September meeting is our preparation meeting for our show. Hope all of you will be able to attend since we will need everyone to take part in the show, there is so much to do! I was amazed at what was all needed at Orchid Fest! By the way, I can now add to my list of skills or done that/been there, helping to set up a bouncy house! There is a close cooperation between MVOS and the church the event was held, hence after Sunday service there was a church picnic and a bouncy house!

We are again looking for a new home as this will be our last meeting at Sojourn. Similar rules will apply as last month, mask wearing and not being able to share food.

Looking forward to seeing all of you.

Here are some pictures from the plants after judging.









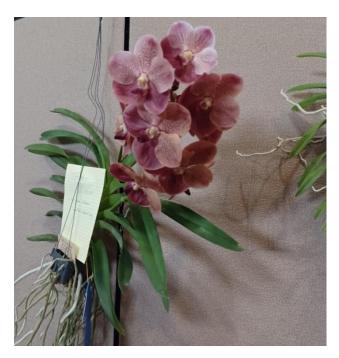














PS. There was a professional photographer, great pictures have been taken!

Anne-Marie Blancquaert, Vice President ambblancquaert@frontier.com

### **Minutes**

#### KOS MEETING MINUTES

August 9, 2022

Attendance: Approximately 25 Members. New

Member - Jennifer Coy - Welcome

Meeting Minutes: Approved by membership

Treasurers Report: Approved by membership

#### **Old Business:**

- 1. S. Benjamin reminded all members of the August 26-28 Orchid Fest in Kettering, Ohio featuring speakers and orchid sales from 13 vendors. Speakers are R. Parson & M. Gerritsen. Registration for the weekend event is \$55. Go to www.ohiovalleyorchidfest.com to enroll.
- 2. C. Cates has finished the Directory. It will be emailed to you. If you do not have email hard copies are on the back table. Thank you Carla.

#### **New Business:**

- 1. Jan Smith announced that we are about to begin the preparations for our show on 9/30 (setup) thru 10/2. Keep thinking about how you would like to volunteer to help. We will need every member of the club to help out and make it a success. She outlined all of the duties required to make the show a success. We will have 5 plant vendors and 3 non-plant vendors this year. Plant vendors:
  - Natt's Orchids
  - Orchid Outlet
  - Windy Hills Orchids
  - Ecuagenera
  - Rainbeau Orchids

#### Non-plant vendors:

- Mei's Creations
- Sue's Pottery
- Hartmann Collectibles
- 2. Pres. Day announced that we have been asked to participate for 1 day at the Highlands Belknap Festival on Oct. 8th with an information table and presentation. S. Locascio volunteered but would like additional member's help.
- 3. Stu will be photographing your orchids from the show & tell table.
- 4. A list will be circulated for an Awards Sponsors for the upcoming show. A donation of \$25 is requested.
- 5. Pre-orders for Mei's Creations before the show are requested so she can bring them to the show and save shipping. Also Ecuagenera Need a chairperson.
- 6. Anne-Marie introduced Eric Sauer from Cincinnati Orchid Club speaking on nomenclature and what cultural helps one can derive from a plant's name. Thank you Eric on a great presentation!

PLANT RAFFLE - Held for the members SHOW & TELL - Winners were chosen Adjourn.

Sal Locascio, Recording Secretary

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## Show & Tell Winners -August 2022

#### Topmiller:

1<sup>st</sup> Place: Phalaenopsis Unknown - mauve-purple - Heidi Boel

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: (cattleya. Valda x brassavola [B.]

nodosa) - Larry Atwood

#### Fanelli:

1st Place: dendrobium Poper Red - Larry Atwood

2<sup>nd</sup> Place: *oncidium* Aka Baby 'Raspberry

Chocolate'

(oncidium. Jimbo x oncidium Sharry Baby )

- Heather Pollard

## KOS 2022 Orchid Show & Sale Details

By Jan Smith

The KOS 2022 Show and Sale is fast approaching. We have some wonderful vendors and our show will be bigger than ever. We will be discussing the show in detail at the September meeting, but I want to give you a 'heads up" about what we will be discussing.

There are many "moving parts" to the show and we will all need to work hard to make it be a big success. We began sign ups at the last meeting, but will need many more members to help in multiple ways to put on the best show possible. Please be generous with your time!

#### We need volunteers to:

- Greet visitors at the welcome table (obtain email addresses, accept donations, answer general questions, provide face masks for those who do not bring them, if they are still being required by the church to enter the building)
- Staff the KOS information table (answer questions about KOS, sell AOS publications, sell raffle tickets, hand out AOS culture sheets, answer questions about orchids)
- Bring a dessert for Friday evening and/or bring a side dish, dessert or salad for Saturday lunch
- Assist with setting up the tables for the vendor area and display area, helping vendors unload their trucks and carry in their merchandise (Friday afternoon and evening)
- Staff the Hartman table (we will be selling items from Gwen's collection)
- Assist in the kitchen-this is predominantly setting up and keeping the buffet table tidy and washing dishes. We can divide this into several shifts so no one gets "dishpan hands"!
- Clerking on Saturday morning 7 am to 10 am; (everyone possible needs to volunteer for this); a training session a few days before the show will be provided by Zoom and breakfast will be provided at 7 am and then clerking will start at 7:30
- Help vendors carry out their unsold merchandise and load into their trucks, clean up the room, put away tables, etc. on Sunday afternoon, immediately after show ends

We also need for people to drop off flyers at their places of employment, put out yard signs in their front yards or at strategic intersections the week before the show. We will have the signs at the next meeting.

These are the members who are heading up different aspects of the show:

#### KOS Show leadership:

Co-chairs	Stephen Benjamin Jan Smith	Ribbons	Peg Revell Pam LaRocco
Plant Registration	Pam LaRocco Stephen Benjamin Peg Revell	Clerking	Jan Smith
		Hospitality (Food)	Heidi Boel
Computer	Stephen Benjamin Carla Cates Michelle Berry	Marketing	Sal Locascio Pam Martin

Speakers Stephen Benjamin BOC/display photography

Stu Fleischaker

Facilities Coordinator Catherine Luckett

Set Up Sal Locascio

Information table/Greeting/volunteers

Linda Solley-Kanipe

Awards photography (AOS)

Rick Noel

Finance

Linda Solley-Kanipe

KOS Display Pam LaRocco

Danetta Willias

Trophies Stephen Benjamin

Jan Smith

Hartmann Table Anne-Marie Blancquaert

And, don't forget to pre-order from:

Mei's Creations (<a href="https://meiscreations.com/products/orchids/">https://meiscreations.com/products/orchids/</a>) or on Etsy (MeisCreationsWM)

Ecuagenera (<a href="https://ecuageneraus.com/">https://ecuageneraus.com/</a>)

## 2022 KOS Show Orchid Display Requests

By Pam LaRocco

Putting up displays can be great fun but challenging all at the same time. There are several issues that frequently cause upset for both exhibitors and those who put up and take down the displays. For this year's show, we'd like to try a few new things to see if we can eliminate some of these. The goal is a better more easily assembled display and exhibitors with fewer issues and concerns. Also, we will be setting up our display a bit later than usual so some of these ideas will help things go faster and smoother. Thanks in advance for your help! We really appreciate your participation.

- 1. Please pre-register all of your plants, even the maybe's. It's easier to remove a plant from the registration than it is to do all the look ups on Friday at the show.
- 2. Plants should be cleaned, properly staked, and bug free. We'll try to check this.
- 3. All exhibitors will be asked to check-in at the Registration Table, one at a time. We'll check to make sure all plants are registered. It will give exhibitors the opportunity to let us know if stakes in their plants are for exhibit, or transport only and need to be removed. Plants will be placed in a predesignated area until they get pot covers and are transported to the KOS display area. Please don't take them there yourself. You should let us know at that time if you are adding or removing plants from your registration.
- 4. Please bring your plants in boxes. <u>Label your boxes</u> with your name for ease in locating your box after the show is over.
- 5. <u>Labeling your plants</u>: Please print the plant's name on masking tape and place it along the edge of the pot. Your name should go under it on a separate label. It would be wise to remove your plant label and keep it at home to return to your plant after the show. Many labels are lost or broken when the display people remove them and put them inside the pot cover. The best place to put the plant name label is on the side that you think looks the best. See the example below.



- 6. Staple your plant labels to the back of mounts or the underside of slat baskets. Tape won't stick.
- 7. All plants must remain in the display until the show is officially over. Designated individuals will remove the plants from the exhibit and put them on a table(s) in front of the exhibit. Exhibitors may retrieve their plants from the table. They will be removed from the exhibit, front to back for safety's sake.



# **Kentucky Orchid Society's**

# 33rd Annual Orchid Show and Sale

October 1, 2022

October 2, 2022

10:00 am—5:00 pm

12:00 pm—4:00 pm







St. Matthew's Episcopal Church

330 N. Hubbards Lane, Louisville, KY 40207

## FREE ADMISSION AND DAILY SEMINARS

For more information, please contact:

Jan @ 502-645-8633 or Stephen @ 502-348-1787

or visit www.kyorchidsociety.com

# August Show & Tell Gallery

Kentucky Orchid Society members and visitors brought their flowering orchids for Show & Tell. Thank you to Stu Fleischaker for photographing the orchids.







































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