MASSACHUSETTS ORCHID SOCIETY



September 2010

ANNUAL MOS ORCHID AUCTION

Tuesday, Sept. 14th, <u>7:00PM</u>

Arlington Senior Center 27 Maple Street Arlington, MA



It's Auction time again this month at the September 14th Massachusetts Orchid Society Meeting!

There is no show table this month.

We've got great plants from some great vendors, and you can help by bringing in your extra plants for all to bid on! Hopefully, you had great growth this summer, and now you have to divide plants to get them to fit back in your growing space for the fall and winter.

Please note that the meeting starts at 7:00 instead of the normal 7:30. If you are able to come early to help setup, your help would be much appreciated. We will need help during the auction, and if you are interested in being a spotter, a runner or helping in any other way, please let me know. All plant donations are tax deductible, and plants that go for over the fair market value can have the excess deducted (I believe this is correct but please check with your tax professionals to verify...).

This is the society's biggest fundraiser and your help is essential! If you have plants you're planning on donating, please let me know in advance so that we can get some lists up on the website. Follow this link to see some of the plants that will be available.

http://www.massorchid.org/Default.aspx?pageId=487858

Thanks! bleibume@gmail.com



MOS welcomes the following new members.

Carl Doremus Milford, NH
Jennifer Fuchel Cambridge
Carl Geyer Concord
Patricia Iverson Somerville
Leola Moss Arlington
Jason Rodriguez Waltham
Daryl Yerdon Milford, NH



"Trident's Treasures"

Tower Hill Botanic Garden 11 French Drive Boylston MA November 4th through 7th

VOLUNTEERS ARE REALLY NEEDED! IT'S FUN
AND INTERESTING!

Set-up and plant registration takes place on <u>Thursday</u>, <u>November 4th</u>. On Friday morning, there will be Ribbon Judging of the show exhibits and plants. The show (exhibits and sales rooms) will be open to the public on Friday afternoon from 1 to 5PM.

The following vendors will be participating in the 2010 show.

A&P Orchids – www.AandPOrchids.com
Brennan's Orchids, LLC – www.BrennansOrchids.com
Corn Starch Flowers – Jai Kelley – JaiKelley1@verizon.net
Frosty Hollow Orchids – Wendy Oliver – FrpsotyHollowOrchids1@verizon.net
J & L Orchids – www.JLOrchids.com
Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies – www.kkorchid.com
Marlow's Orchids – www.MarlowOrchids.com
The orchidPhile – Carri Raven-Riemann – CarriR@optonline.net
Piping Rock Orchids – www.PipingRockOrchids.com

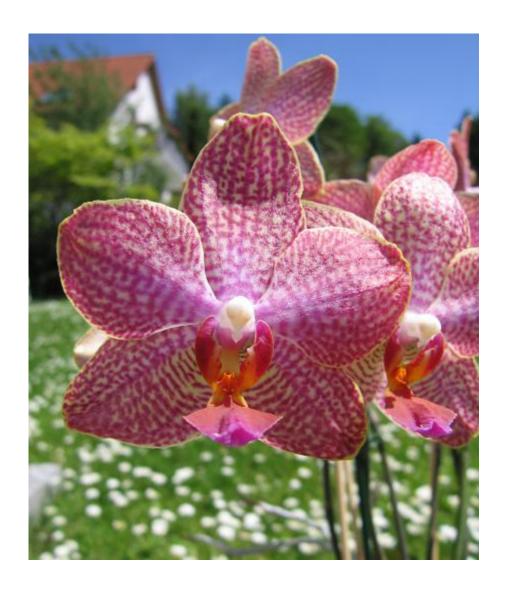
Please visit the vendor websites to see if they are offering pre-orders that can be delivered at the show.

MOS is counting on you – we need your plants for the MOS display and your help with registration (including data entry), judging and clerking; set-up of the MOS display; general set-up (and clean-up) of the exhibits and vendor spaces; hospitality and refreshments, advertising and publicity, the raffle table, guided tours, workshops and talks, etc. And, a list of trophies to be sponsored will be listed shortly.

Please give me a call or send an e-mail to let me know how you'd like to help.



Joanna K Eckstrom, Show Chair Home 603-654-5070 JKEckstrom@comcast.net show@massorchid.org



Annual Dues are due!

One third of the MOS membership has paid annual dues through July 2011. We are still looking for your dues.

Please send a check made out to MOS for \$20 and mail it to Susan Flier, 27 Colchester Street, Brookline, MA 02446. OR... bring your dues to the meeting.

Thank you.

Susan Flier

Helpful Links:

There is so much information out there on the internet. If you have come across any links that you find interesting – please send them to me in an email at susan.johnston3@comcast.net. I'll have a little space in every newsletter to exchange information. Here are a few submitted by members...

http://sites.google.com/site/deepcutorchids/Home/info

http://www.orchidmall.com/

http://www.oakhillgardens.com/

http://everything-orchids.com/

http://aos.org

http://www.massorchid.org/

Growing Tip of the Month - by Liese

Fall has definitely arrived here in the Midwest. This is the perfect time of the year to add cooler growing orchids to your collection!

By growing these plants close to a window, or in a basement, under lights, you can achieve the natural drop in nighttime temperatures that will push these plants into flower. Many of these cooler growers are also miniatures and require only medium-to-lower light, thus making them perfect for windowsill growing.

A cooler nighttime temperature is actually appropriate for most of your orchids. In many cases, the shorter days and temperature fluctuation between day and night is what pushes fall and winter blooming varieties into spike, including Phalaenopsis and Cattleyas. Cooler temps will also help keep your humidity higher during the dry winter months.

There are some varieties of orchids that require very cool temps to grow and bloom (some Pleurothallids including some Masdevallias and Draculas, etc.). When the temperatures in summer go above 80 degrees, these plants can suffer greatly. At Oak Hill Gardens we carry only a few of the "warmth-tolerant" Pleurothallids, as our conditions cannot accommodate the air-conditioned specifics that most of them require. This forces us to concentrate on growing the varieties with which the home grower can also have success! Try some cooler growers!

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Cymbidium Lillian Stewart 'Monique', AM/AOS

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