Massachusetts Orchid Society

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URGENT - PLEASE READ!



For many years our Society has been guided by a dedicated few. We are particularly indebted to those who have served on the Board for these past several years. In a successful effort to rejuvenate MOS, these folks have worked long hours for our membership. The directors mostly filled the committee positions and the society grew and flourished.

Unfortunately, the search for new leadership hasn't been emphasized enough to membership. Though it is often easier to "just get it done" rather than find the time to cajole, seek and involve the help of others; a volunteer organization needs (*surprise*) **volunteers**. Currently, we find ourselves in a strong membership position with active interest and enthusiasm for the show table, our speaker program, our annual auction, our Orchid Show and Sale and our personal interaction with our fellow members at our social events. Yet we currently teeter on the edge of failure without new blood on the Board of Directors. Simply stated, there is too much for too few to accomplish! Most of the current Board members have already served several terms and membership cannot expect the same people to continue year after year. MOS can't continue to function without new leadership.

Please say 'YES' Tuesday evening, when one of the board members reaches out to you. Just sitting back and expecting a few to continue to lead will no longer keep our Society alive! MOS will only continue thrive with a small commitment from a few new Board members.

So Tuesday evening...please say YES! – Jeff Feldman

MOS show table results April 2019

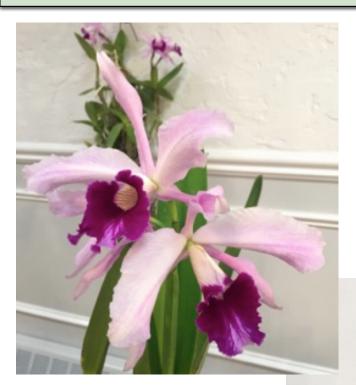
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Scribe: Brigitte Fortin

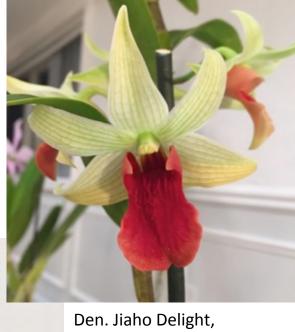
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Jeff Feldman	Oncidium Tsiko 'Marguerite'	Tsiko						
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Mike Badia	Catt. Intermedia var. orlata 'Crowfox'							
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Linda Abrams	Phrag Anne Popov	L	С					
Brigitte Fortin	Chysis Langleyensis x Chysis Limminghei	L	I					
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Brigitte Fortin	Phrag China Dragon 4N	W	I					
George Baltoumas	Cymbidium V/A Volcano 'Flash'							
Ben Larson	Max. tenuifolia	L	С					
Amanda Larson	Den. Aussie Chip x atroviolacean	W	W					
Brigitte Fortin	Paph. (Leopard spots x Den En) 'Red Bean' x Paph. Thunder Cat 'Sizzler'	W	I					
Suzie	Stenosracus Vanguard 'Red Stripe'	W	W					
Julie Michuyka	Phap no id	W						

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Ron Maloney	2					1	1		1		1	2	8
Ralph and Cheiko Collins						3			2				5
Jeff Feldman	2	2										1	5
Caren Savone	3	1		1									5
George Baltoumas		1		1					1			1	4
Cindy Sykes				2				1			1		4
Dina Deresh		1	1				1	1					4
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Betsy Opitz			1	2									3
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Alan Kaitz											1	1	2
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Bill Kimball											2		2
Ralph DiFonzo	1												1
Sasha Crotty			1										1
Burt Long**												1	1
Karen Stewart									1				1
Brian Leib				1									1



Laelia purpurata 'Flower Power', Mike Badia



Den. Jiaho Delight, Alan Kaitz

Stenosarcus Vanguard 'Red Stripe', Suzie

Cymbidium V/A Volcano 'Flash', George Baltoumas

Paph. (Leopard Spots x Den. En. Red Bean) x Paph. Thunder Cat 'Sizzler', Brigitte Fortin



About our Monthly Speaker, Bob Cleveland

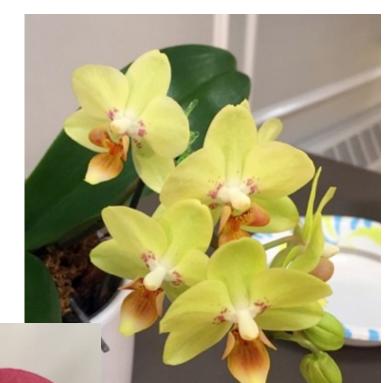
Long time commercial grower Bob Cleveland will be speaking about growing under lights in general and how LEDs can benefit the home grower. Bob will be bringing a selection of plants for sale.

Come early to shop for orchids, socialize with your orchid friends, and have a cup of coffee or tea and a snack. If you bring in a snack, you get a second raffle ticket.

Monthly meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Please have your plants on the show table by 7 p.m.



Phal. NoID, Julie Michuyka



Onc.Tsiko 'Marguerite', Jeff Feldman

Phrag. Anne Popov, Linda Abrams

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Max. tenuifolia, Ben Larson

Den. thyrsiflorum, Anna & Rudi Seitz



Epi. Yucatan 'Richella', Linda Abrams

Den. Nobile 'To My Kids Fantastic Story', Rob Maloney



Native Orchid Conference

Bruce Peninsula, Ontario, Canada June 14 - 17, 2019

Symposium Overview

In June of 2003 our second annual symposium was held on the Bruce Peninsula in Ontario, Canada. This year, our eighteenth consecutive, annual event will revisit the world-famous, orchid-rich "Bruce".

As has been our standard practice, there will be two days of presentations and two days of field trips. An optional visit to Flowerpot Island will be offered. A list of potential accommodations (motels, campgrounds, B&B's) for the peninsula area is available on our website.

Registration will be limited to the first 100 people

from whom we receive responses. For your convenience, electronic registration and a PayPal option will be available. Visit our website for instructions:

www.nativeorchidconference.org

Registration at the door is not available.

Feel free to copy and share conference information with friends and let us know of others who might be interested.

CONFERENCE FEE:

Full Registration: \$150 US per person Student Registration: \$ 75 US per person (available for full-time students at any high school,

college or university)

Case Grant Program: The NOC supports native orchid research and conservation through its Fred Case Grant program. Twenty-five dollars from each full symposium registrant will be directed to an endowment fund which supports the program. That amount is tax-deductible under US IRS regulations governing charitable contributions.

After receipt of your registration, a confirmation notice, updated symposium details (if any), and an orchid species list will be sent to you via email.

Our base of operations and venue for the Thursday ice-breaker is the Tobermory Princess Hotel. The nearby Tobermory Community Center is our lecture venue.

For those who wish to extend their stay, there are many interesting places to explore across this rich region. Information about points of interest on or near the Bruce is available on-line. In addition to orchids, there are many rare and unusual plants, birds and geological formations to be found.

A most important aspect of this event is the opportunity to meet people who share a common interest in natural history in general and native orchids in particular. Many long-lasting Paul Catling: Past President of the friendships and professional relationships have been formed at NOC symposiums Why not take this opportunity to renew them and/or make new ones on the wild, wonderful Bruce Peninsula?



Fairy Slipper Orchid (Calypso bulbosa)

Highlights:

- Optional ice-breaker & early checkin Thursday evening
- Presentations on Friday & Sunday
- Field trips on Saturday & Monday

FEATURED SPEAKERS

Canadian Botanical Association, co-author of Orchids of Ontario, FNA contributor "The Bruce Peninsula and Its Native Orchids"

Tom Sampliner: NOC member and retired attorney, this Cleveland native turned his lifelong passion for nature into a small business. He is a nature guide, conservationist, teacher, writer and photographer with specialties in native plants, wildflowers, mushrooms, and nature photography.

Additional speakers will be posted as they are confirmed. See website for details:

www.nativeorchidconference.org

Tentative Weekend Schedule

Thursday, June 13

1800 - 2100: Early check-in, reception & sales

Friday, June 14

0800 - 0945: Check-in and sales

0945 - 1000: Welcome

1000 - 1200: Presentations

1200 - 1330: Lunch (provided)

1330 - 1600: Presentations

1600 - 1700: Field trip planning

Saturday, June 15

0800 - 1600: Field trips

Sunday, June 16

0830 - 1130: Presentations

1130 - 1300: Lunch (provided)

1300 - 1500: Presentations

1500 - 1600: Annual meeting

1600 - 1700: Field trip planning

Monday, June 17

0800 - 1600: Field trips

18th Annual Native Orchid Conference Symposium June 14-17, 2019

For additional information or assistance write to the NOC via the "Contact Us" tab on our website.

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Miscellaneous Information:

Call For Presentations:

Time may be available for those who wish to share information about orchid sites or species which they have been studying. If you want to make such a presentation (30 minutes maximum), please advise immediately.

Sales Area:

There will be an area available for those who wish to sell orchid related items (books, plants, prints, etc.). Board approval is required and limited space will be granted on a first-come, first-served basis. If you have items you wish to sell please advise immediately.

Cancellation Policy:

75% of the conference registration fee may be refunded if written notice of your intent to cancel is received by May 31, 2019.

Some Rare Ferns of the Bruce Peninsula

- Hart's Tongue Fern
- Moonwort
- Northern Holly Fern
- Purple Stemmed Cliffbrake
- Robert's Fern
- Walking Fern

Bruce Peninsula Overview

The Bruce Peninsula and Flowerpot Island off its northern tip are legendary places for native orchid (and nature) lovers. These are spectacular botanical areas!

Forty-three taxa (species, forms, varieties & natural hybrids) of orchids have been documented on the Bruce. It is one of the richest North American native orchid sites outside of Florida. Many of the orchids are found in the open coastal marl or boreal forest. In addition to orchids, numerous species of carnivorous plants, rare ferns and other wildflowers can be found in the area.

Our field trips could produce 30 orchid species (many in bloom). The most likely are:

- Aplectrum hyemale
- Calopogon tuberosus
- Calypso bulbosa
- Coeloglossum viride
- Corallorhiza: maculata, striata, trifida
- Cypripedium: acaule, arietinun, parviflorum, reginae
- Galearis spectabilis
- Goodyera oblongifolia, repens, tesselata (leaves only))



Ram's-head Lady's-slipper (Cypripedium arietinum)

- Listera: convallarioides; cordata; ovata
- Malaxis: monophyllos; unifolia
- Piperia unalascensis
- Platanthera: dilatata; flava; orbiculata; hookeri; huronensis; obtusata; psycodes
- Pogonia ophioglossoides
- Spiranthes lucida
- Liparis loesellii

Along with a rich display of other wild flowers and ferns, we should see several sundew, bladderwort and pitcher plant species.

Most areas where we will hike are within a short distance of roads and have relatively easy access. We will carpool in order to minimize congestion. You should wear good hiking boots and bring plenty of insect repellant, snacks (or a box lunch) and water.

If you plan to stay after the conference, this is a great area to explore. There are lots wild-flowers, ferns, and birds on the Bruce at this time of the year. You might even see a black bear. As you drive around, keep an eye on the roadside for unbelievably dense displays of *Cypripedium parviflorum*.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Monthly Meeting – Bob Cleveland – Growing Under Lights

14 May 2019 7:30 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly Meeting – Janet Lamborn's talk on orchid viruses IS cancelled.

Instead, Brandt Moran will discuss orchid testing, greenhouse hygiene and conduct a deflasking demo
11 June 2019 7:30 PM
Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St,
Winchester, MA

Monthly Meeting – Brenda Oviatt, Botanica Limited – TBD

09 Jul 2019 7:30 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly Meeting – Helen Hersh -Advanced Windowsill Growing

13 Aug 2019 7:30 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Annual Orchid Auction

10 Sep 2019 7:00 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

<u>Monthly Meeting – Kim Fedderson -</u> <u>Cool Growing Orchids</u>

08 Oct 2019 7:30 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly Meeting –Gary Meyer -Growing Draculas

12 Nov 2019 7:30 PM Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA



Phrag.China Dragon 4N, Brigitte Fortin



Chysis langleyensis x Chysis limminghei, Brigitte Fortin

MOS Odds And Ends-

<u>Meeting Cancellation Notice Policy</u> Now you can find out whether a meeting has been cancelled (ie, inclement weather) by going onto our MOS webpage, where information will be posted after 2:00 PM. An email notice will be sent to all members, too.

<u>UPCOMING ELECTIONS – HAVE YOU HEARD YET?</u> Folks, we are in a bit of trouble as we near the end the year. We need a total of 10 Board members, which include a new President, a Vice President and a Secretary; otherwise we may not have a society going forward. And we don't want that to happen .

<u>Monthly meeting - raffle plant donations</u> If you have plant divisions, keikis or plants you want to put out for adoption, please bring them to meeting. As always, bring only pest and disease free plants.

MOS Show Position - Advertising/Marketing skills We are looking for someone to oversee advertising for our annual show in October. Strong communication skills and prior experience in marketing or social media campaigns is preferred, but not required. We are hoping to increase our attendance this year and a solid advertising campaign is the key. You can recruit members to work with you and you can rely on the support of board members as well. If you are interested and have time to volunteer, please contact Sasha Crotty.

<u>Annual Picnic</u> We are pleased to announce there will be a picnic this summer! The dates are Sat., June 22nd with a rain date Sun., June 23. *Time and location TBA*.

Hospitality Looking for an easy way to help the society? Hospitality needs YOU! Set up the snack table and drink counter, make coffee and tea, and put everything away at the end of the meeting. Two or more people make it even easier, more Fun and enables rotation.

Contact Ellen Shapiro if interested.

<u>Roving greenhouses</u> Learn all about greenhouse growing by lending a hand to some of our fellow members in their Greenhouses. *Message* Anne Pfaff at

newsletter@massorchid.org

for more information.



Den. Aussie Chips x atroviolacean, Amanda Larson

•THE AOS CORNER•



Seasonal Orchid Care: May/June

Click here for Checklist

Now you can access the MOS website from your smartphone with this new app!

The new Wild Apricot for Members App allows members to log in and view content from www.massorchid.org.

What can your members do with the member app?

- View the member directory
- View a member's profile
- Email fellow members
- View the event calendar and event details
- Register for an event
- Specify the number of guests if the registration type was set up to collect the total number of guests only
- View your existing event registrations
- Pay an outstanding event registration fee
- View your member profile
- Currently, only an iOS version of this app is available. The app was designed for the iPhone, is compatible with the iPad and iPod Touch, and requires iOS version 10.0 or later.

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