Next Meeting
Date: Sat., Feb. 10, 2018
Time: 1:30-4:00
Place: Kamana Senior Center,
127 Kamana St., Hilo
Speaker: Karen Kimmerle
Topic: American Orchid Society
Judging Demystified

Every month we publish photos of orchids that have
won AOS (American Orchid Society) awards issued
by our local AOS judging center, which is right here
in Hilo. But have you ever wondered how the AOS
judges decide which plants get awards? And who
are these AOS judges, anyway, and how do you
become a judge?

This month, our own Karen Kimmerle will tell all
about AOS judging, including an interactive
faux judging session so you can see exactly what goes
on.

Karen is an accredited AOS judge and is currently
the chair of the AOS judging center at Hilo and of
the Hawaii state judging region. She was born and
raised in Portland, Oregon, but came to Hilo in 1975.
A year later she happened on an orchid show in Hilo,
which kindled her interest in growing orchids. Forty
years later, she and her husband run a large backyard
orchid nursery, Island Sun Orchids, in Kapoho. Her
love of orchids has led her on many trips around the
U.S. and internationally. She says, “I have been so
fortunate to have a passion that has taught me many
skills in life and allowed me to travel and meet many
interesting people. And I still get excited about
orchids!”

If you’d like to share some of Karen’s
excitement and find out what AOS judging is all
about, don’t miss this meeting!

Dues Are Due
Your membership dues for 2018 are due. If you
have already paid, thank you! Also, new members
who joined at last year’s orchid show or in
September 2017 or later are considered paid through
2018.

Dues are still only $20 for individual
membership or $25 for family membership. In
return, you get a year of interesting speakers,
newsletters, and activities, plus the chance to get
together with folks who share your interest in these
beautiful and fascinating plants.

Please fill out the form on page 5 and mail it in
with your payment (address is on the form), or you
can pay at the meeting. Thanks!

2018 Orchid Photo Contest
We’re repeating last year’s popular orchid photo
contest, open to all HOS members. The only rule is
that it must be your photo. The subject doesn’t have
to be your orchid, but you must be the photographer.
Submit as many photos as you like to Larry Kuekes
at lkuekes@me.com, but remember, the contest is
not for who submits the most photos. It’s for who
submits the best photo. The deadline for
submissions is Oct. 1, 2018. All photos will be
placed in a photo gallery in our website, and the
winning photo will be announced in November. The
winner will receive 2 free tickets to our December
holiday party.

2018 Show Table Contest
We’re also repeating our contest to encourage you to
bring in your blooming orchids to exhibit on our
monthly show tables. The only consideration is to
please be sure the plants are free of pests such as
little fire ants. The person who brings the most
orchids to our monthly show tables from now until
October will receive 2 free tickets to our December
holiday party.
Julie Goettsch Receives Diamond Award

Rick Kelley presented the Orchid Digest Diamond Award to Julie Goettsch in recognition of her outstanding contributions to the Hilo Orchid Society. The award citation, which appears in the Jan. Feb. Mar. 2018 issue of Orchid Digest, mentions her service as HOS President for three years, her founding and management of the Orchid Isle project to beautify our island by putting orchids in public places, and her spectacular orchid show fundraising success, bringing in over $25,000 in the last two years.

Orchid Show Art Contest

The Hilo Orchid Society is looking for artwork for the 2018 Hilo Orchid Show “Kaleidoscope of Orchids”, to represent the beauty and grace of orchids grown and enjoyed on The Orchid Isle. This is an opportunity for original artwork to be exposed to visitors through the website, social media, marketing and advertising efforts, and the attendees of the three-day show. Artists must reside on the island of Hawai’i. The winner will receive $100 cash prize and the option to sell their art at the show. All accepted artists will receive an opportunity to display and sell their accepted entry(s) at the show.

Prior to entry the artist must email julia.hiloorchidshow@gmail.com or call Julia at 541-915-7291 to receive a copy of the official rules and regulations and a release form. Deadline to enter is February 15, 2018. All inquiries may be sent to the email listed above.

Orchid Workshop at Volcano Art Center

Donna Barr and Shelby Smith conducted another successful orchid workshop at the Volcano Art Center on January 27. The topic was how to design and build your own mini orchid display. Limited to a 16”x16” footprint and incorporating only a few orchids, they showcase the artistic and creative abilities of their creators. Above, two attendees show their enthusiasm for their creation as others work in the background.

Orchids for the workshop were provided by our Society, and attendees scavenged outside of the Art Center to find moss, wood, and other natural objects to incorporate into their creations.

Mini displays have been a popular feature at our annual orchid shows. We hope this workshop will encourage more people to show off their creative talent at this year’s show.

CALENDAR OF ORCHID EVENTS

The following events are held at Kamana Senior Center, Hilo unless otherwise noted

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January Members Choice

Left: Hobbyist 1st place: *Arpophyllum spectatum*, grown by Glen Barfield
Right: Hobbyist 2nd place (tie): *Clowesia rosea*, grown by Glory Kirkland

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Right: Hobbyist 2nd place (tie): *Phaiocalanthe Kryptonite ‘Chariots of Fire’*, grown by Glory Kirkland

January AOS Awards

Left: *Paph. (Emerald Sea x White Knight) ‘Newman’s Nursery’ HCC/AOS,* grown by Newman’s Nursery
Center Left: *Paph. (Marlborough x Novenka) ‘Newman’s Nursery’ AM/AOS,* grown by Newman’s Nursery
Center Right: *Paph. (Millenium x Eye Catcher) ‘Rheda Superstar’ AM/AOS,* grown by Alexe J Popow
Right: *Paph. (Pacific Fire x Lippewunder) ‘White Summit’ HCC/AOS,* grown by Hilo Orchid Farm

Note: for larger photos of January AOS award winners, please see the AOS Awards 2018 gallery in our website
[www.hiloorchidsociety.org](http://www.hiloorchidsociety.org)
January AOS Awards (continued)

Photos by Glen Barfield

From left: *Paph.* (Odette’s Glory x Magic Pops) ‘Slipper Zone Blushing Glow’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Blushing Petula ‘Slipper Zone Fred’s Folly’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Brain Buster ‘Slipper Zone Spots in Hiding’ AM/AOS; *Paph.* Delightfully Macabre ‘Slipper Zone’s Sepal Galore’ AM/AOS, all grown by Lehua Orchids.

From left: *Paph.* Hawaiian Volcano ‘Slipper Zone Glowing Day’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Hawaiian Volcano ‘Slipper Zone Green Lava’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Jewel Memories ‘Slipper Zone Pink Gracefully’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Macabre Illusion ‘Slipper Zone T’other’ HCC/AOS, all grown by Lehua Orchids.

From left: *Paph.* Mooning Fred ‘Slipper Zone Thankfully’ HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Oriental Green ‘Slipper Zone Freshly’ AM/AOS; *Paph.* Oriental Green ‘Slipper Zone Gracefully’ AM/AOS, all grown by Lehua Orchids; *Phrag.* Fritz Schemburg ‘Hawaiian Punch’ AM/AOS, grown by Orchids Limited.

From left: *Phrag.* Peruflora’s Cirila Alca ‘QF Ekolu’ HCC/AOS; *Phrag.* Ekolu ‘QF Hawaii Spectacular’ AM/AOS; *Phrag.* QF Agnes Atkinson ‘QF Da Best’ AM/AOS; *Phrag.* QF Agnes Atkinson ‘QF Sunday Best’ HCC/AOS, all grown by Quintal Farms.

HILO ORCHID SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP RENEWAL FORM

Please print this form, fill it out, and mail with your dues payment to:
Hilo Orchid Society
P.O. Box 4294
Hilo, HI 96720

Dues are $20 for individual membership, $25 for family membership.

Please print clearly:
Name:  ____________________________________________________________
Address:  __________________________________________________________
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Phone:  __________________________
Email for receiving newsletter:  ________________________________________

Check one:
☐ Individual membership ($20)
☐ Family membership ($25)

Check one:
☐ I grant permission to publish this information in the Hilo Orchid Society Directory.
☐ I do not grant permission to publish this information in the Hilo Orchid Society Directory.

Signature: ____________________________________________________________

Optional:
Are you interested in volunteering to help with any of the following activities? Check as many as you like.
☐ Monthly meetings
☐ Annual Orchid Show
☐ Orchid Isle Project (mounting orchids on trees in public spaces)
☐ Orchids at the Zoo
☐ Serving as an officer
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