

Hilo Orchid Society Newsletter

December 2017

Note: In lieu of a December meeting, we're holding our annual Holiday Party. The deadline for reservations is past – sorry, we can't take any more!

Date: Sun., December 10, 2016
Time: **11:00** Doors open to talk story
12:00 Luncheon buffet
Place: Nani Mau Gardens
421 Makalika St., Hilo
(see map and directions on page 5)
Program: Holiday Party and Auction

Holiday Party and Auction

There will be no regular meeting in December. Instead, we're holding our annual Holiday Party and Auction on Sunday, Dec. 10 at Nani Mau Gardens. Only those who signed up and paid in advance can be admitted.

The event features a social hour and sumptuous buffet lunch at the scenic Nani Mau Gardens, providing a chance to get together with old friends and maybe make some new ones. Then comes the auction, an opportunity to obtain top-quality donated orchid plants at bargain prices and benefit your Society at the same time. This event is not open to the public, but is open to Hilo Orchid Society members and their guests by reservation only.

For those who signed up, doors will open at 11:00 a.m. to enjoy beverages, talk story, and tour the gardens, followed by the installation of officers at 11:45, a buffet lunch, and the orchid auction.

For a map and directions to Nani Mau Gardens, see page 5.

Matthias Wins AOS Merritt Huntington Award



Matthias Seelis Takami, owner of the Shogun Hawaii nursery, has won the American Orchid Society's Merritt Huntington Award, given for the most outstanding plant to win an FCC award in the preceding year, for his plant of Rlc. Taida Eagle Eye 'White Angel' FCC/AOS (above). Congratulations, Matthias!

Volcano Art Center Workshop

Donna Barr and Shelby Smith are conducting a workshop at Volcano Art Center on Jan. 27 from 9:00 to noon on how to design and build a mini orchid display. Registration is \$25. For more info or to register, contact Volcano Art Center at 808-967-8222 or go to volcanoartcenter.org.

November Members Choice

Photos by Larry Kuekes



Left: Hobbyist 1st place: *Bc. Mrs. J. Leeman*, grown by Jeff Fendentz

Right: Hobbyist 2nd place: *Bulbophyllum grandiflorum*, grown by Shelby Smith



Left: Hobbyists 3rd place: *Calleya percivaliana* var. *alba*, grown by Bill Rawson

Right: Commercial 1st place: *Dendrobium (mirbelianum x johannis)*, grown by Karen Kimmerle

November AOS Awards

Photos by Glen Barfield



Left: *Cattleya wittigiana* 'Sebastian' HCC/AOS, grown by Orchid Eros

Right: *Laelia anceps* 'Gabriel' HCC/AOS, grown by Orchid Eros

November AOS Awards (continued)

Photos by Glen Barfield



Above left: *Cattleya pumila* 'Isabel Rosalia' HCC/AOS, grown by Orchid Eros

Above right: *Paph.* Odette's Grace 'Slipper Zone Tall Splendor' AM/AOS, grown by Lehua Orchids

Left: *Paph.* Presidential Moon 'Slipper Zone Dorsal Dominance' HCC/AOS, grown by Lehua Orchids

Below left and right: *Dendrobium (mirbelianum x johannis)* 'Chocolate Cream Twist' AM/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids



Pictures From the Repotting Workshop

Last month, instead of a presentation, we had a hands-on repotting session. Members learned how to repot orchids by actually doing it, with experienced growers showing them how.

Multiple stations were set up so everyone got a chance to get their hands dirty. Members got to take home the orchids that they potted, and a good time was had by all.

Mahalo to Dana Culleney for the photos.



Contest Winners

Last month, members voted on our contest for the best orchid photo, and the winner was Lou Rhoades for his photo of *Dendrobium amethystoglossum* growing outdoors (left).

The winner of our contest for bringing in the most orchids to our monthly show tables was Shelby Smith. Congratulations to both winners!

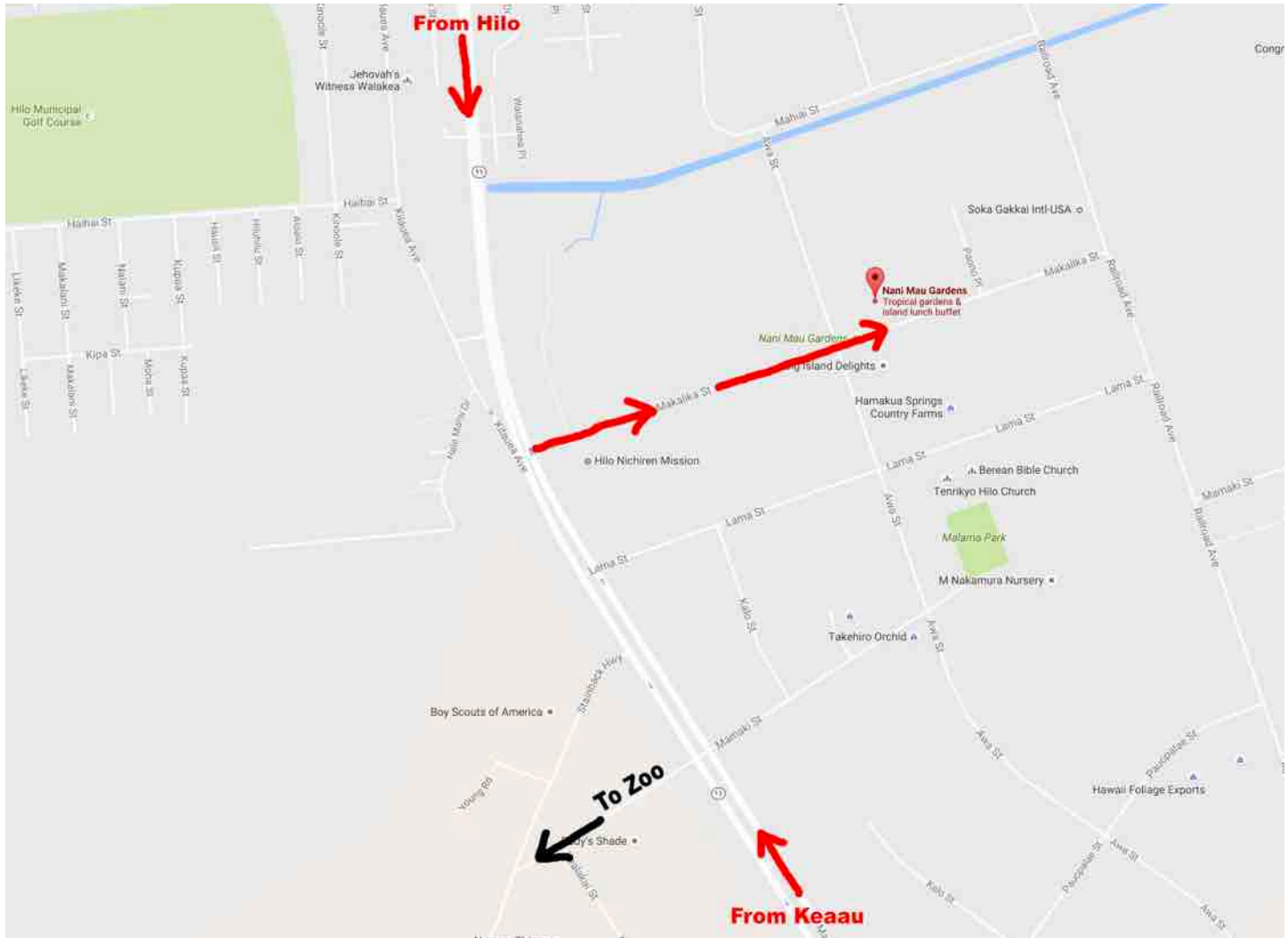
Paph. Guild Meeting & Show

The 62nd Paphiopedilum Guild Meeting & Show and 2nd World Slipper Orchid Conference will be held at the Grand Nanihoa Hotel in Hilo on January 12-14, 2018. Speakers include Phillip Cribb, Masoyoshi Takahashi, Alexi Popow, Yuan-Chuan Hsiao, Jose Portilla, Wenqing Perner, Harold Koopowitz and Karen Muir. Registration at www.orchiddigest.org is \$175.

Directions to Nani Mau Gardens

From Hilo: Take Route 11 South towards Keaau. After the speed limit increases to 55 mph, take the first left turn onto Makalika St. If you reach the turn for the Hilo zoo, you've gone too far. Head down Makalika St. for about half a mile. Nani Mau Gardens is on the left.

From Keaau: Take Route 11 North towards Hilo. Turn right on Makalika St, which is the second right after mile marker 4 (also the second right after the turn for the zoo). Head down Makalika St. for about half a mile. Nani Mau Gardens is on the left.



New Hilo Orchid Show Facebook Page

Julia Hoskins has created a Facebook page for our 2018 Hilo Orchid Show. It will have news and information about the show, local orchid growers, and more, plus lots of pictures of orchids.

You can find the new page at this address:
<https://www.facebook.com/2018HiloOrchidShow/>.
Or just get into Facebook and search for 2018 Hilo Orchid Show.

CALENDAR OF ORCHID EVENTS

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

Dec. 9	4:00	AOS Judging
Dec. 10	11:00	Holiday Party, Nani Mau Gardens.
Dec. 22	6:00 pm	AOS Judging, 113 Nowelo St. Hilo
Jan. 12-14		Paph Guild Meeting & Show, Grand Naniloa Hotel, Hilo
Jan. 13	1:30	HOS Meeting
	4:00	AOS Judging
Jan. 26	6:00 pm	AOS Judging, 113 Nowelo St. Hilo
Jan. 27	9:00-12:00	Orchid workshop at Volcano Art Center

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