

# Hilo Orchid Society Newsletter

February 2018

## 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](mailto: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



Photo by Dana Culleney

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](mailto: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



Photo by Dana Culleney

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*

Feb. 10	1:30	HOS Meeting
	4:00	AOS Judging
Feb. 23	6:00 pm	AOS Judging, 113 Nowelo St. Hilo
Mar. 10	1:30	HOS Meeting
	4:00	AOS Judging
Mar. 23	6:00 pm	AOS Judging, 113 Nowelo St. Hilo



## January Members Choice

Photos by Larry Kuekes



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



Left: Hobbyist 2<sup>nd</sup> place (tie): *Dendrochilum wenzelii*, grown by Glen Barfield  
 Right: Hobbyist 2<sup>nd</sup> place (tie): *Phaiocalanthe* Kryptonite 'Chariots of Fire', grown by Glory Kirkland

## January AOS Awards

Photos by Glen Barfield



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



From left: *Paph.* Mem. Miguel Medina 'QF Kai's Little Big Dynamite' AM/AOS; *Phrag.* QF Annette Maeda 'QF Pink Persuasion' HCC/AOS; *Paph.* Toni Semple 'QF Quiet Elegance' AM/AOS, all grown by Quintal Farms; *Paph.* Yellow Leopard 'Intense' HCC/AOS, grown by Hilo Orchid Farm



## 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: \_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_  
\_\_\_\_\_

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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