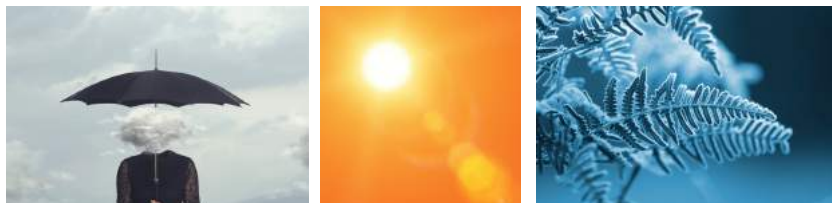


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March is not disappointing with its skill for inducing weather whiplash. Every time the sun makes an appearance, I find myself planning where I will put my orchids outside when the time comes.

Meanwhile, AAOS is gearing up for our annual Festival and it's going to be an exciting show as usual!

Details about the show, volunteer opportunities, and much more in this newsletter.



Orchid on the left: BLC Fuchs Orange Nugget 'Lea' grown by Laurent Kanago

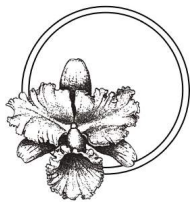


Orchid on the right: Cattleya intermedia alba grown by Shane Ginnard

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If you have anything you'd like to add to the newsletter, please email it to Lynn by the 1st of the month.
lynnkrawczyk@gmail.com



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March 2023 Meeting Topic

- MEETING TOPIC + SPEAKER: Odontocidiums / Russ Vernon
- MEETING LOCATION: Matthaei Botanical Gardens
1800 Dixboro Road
Ann Arbor, MI 48105
<https://mbgna.umich.edu/>
Room 125
- MEETING DATE & TIME: March 12, 2023 from 2pm-4pm
- There will be refreshments at the meeting.
- Please bring plants you wish to re-home for the raffle table.
- Please bring plants for Show + Tell.

About Russ:

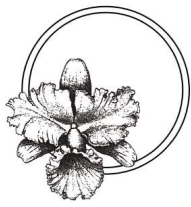
Russ grew up in Cleveland, Ohio. Early on he had an interest in plants, helping in the yard and growing cacti purchased with his allowance. His parents and grandparents were all interested in various aspects of horticulture.

When Russ was 12 years old, his uncle arrived with 6 orchids saying, "If you can grow those darned cacti, you ought to be able to grow these." And a career was launched.

Russ is a graduate of Ohio State University majoring in horticulture/floriculture. He has worked for Orchid by Hausermann, A&P Orchids, Ball State University's Wheeler Orchid Collection and Species Bank, and Jim Davis, the creator of Garfield the Cat.

In 2004, Russ and his wife Anita started New Vision Orchids. The company specializes in Phalaenopsis, Odontoglossums and their intergenerics, Miltoniopsis, Cattleyas, and Lycastes. The biggest area of focus is hybridizing, wholesale and retail sales. Russ also lectures to various orchid societies across the country and conducts workshops on orchid culture.

Russ is a judge of the American Orchid Society and is past President of the International Phalaenopsis Alliance, and Past President of the Mid-America Orchid Congress and serves on their Conservation Committee. He and Anita have two daughters.



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AAOS Logo Update - Call for Ideas!

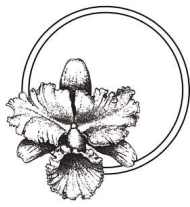
The current AAOS logo has served the club well for many years. But we are now looking to create an updated version that can make the group easily identifiable and stand out amongst other societies.

We want your ideas! The April newsletter will have all the logo ideas submitted for the membership to vote on at the May meeting. Please email your logo idea to Lynn at lynnkrawczyk@gmail.com for inclusion in the April newsletter.

YOUR
LOGO
IDEA
HERE!

Things to consider when creating your Logo idea:

- The logo should contain an orchid flower and the text ANN ARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY
- Because the logo gets used as a smaller image for many things, a simpler version of your favorite orchid flower works better.
- Color! Color makes logos stand out so be creative!
- Have fun! 😊



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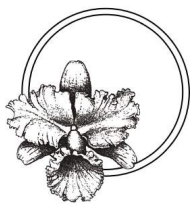
Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show Report



To the left is our display at the Greater Lansing Orchid Society in February. We did pretty good in the ribbon department again! 😊

A special thank you to everyone who set up & tore down the display and to everyone who contributed plants to the display!

A list of plants and growers who won ribbons on the next page.



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Greater Lansing Orchid Society Show Report (continued)



Plant: *Cattleya aurantiaca* spots
Award: 1st place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Cattleya intermedia* var *alba*
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Cymbidium* NOID
Award: 3rd place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Dendrobium* Blue Seas
Award: 3rd place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Lycaste dowiana*
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Paphiopedilum lowii*
Award: 3rd place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Phalaenopsis cornu-cervi*
Award: 1st place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Phalaenopsis* NOID
Award: 1st place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Psychopsis* Mendenhall "Hildos"
Award: 1st place
Grower: Shane Ginnard

Plant: *Phalaenopsis* Star Cheshire Cat 'M256'
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Laura Zimmerman

Plant: *Phalaenopsis* MS Freckle Girl 'MBL061'
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Laura Zimmerman

Plant: *Phalaenopsis* Bloody Mary
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Lynn Krawczyk

Plant: *Phalaenopsis* NOID
Award: 1st place
Grower: Lynn Krawczyk

Plant: *Rhyncho brassoleya* 'Spotted Charm'
Award: 1st place
Grower: Lynn Krawczyk

Plant: *Epicattleya* Mikawa Prime
Award: 2nd and 3rd place
Grower: Kevin Griffin

Plant: *Paphiopedilum* Pinocchio
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Kevin Griffin

Plant: *Rhynchostylis gigantea* 'spot'
Award: 1st place
Grower: Kevin Griffin

Plant: *Brassolaeliocattleya* Miriam Suzuki
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Denise Nash

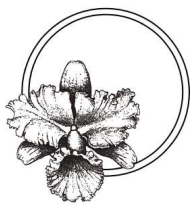
Plant: *Epidendrum centropetalum*
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Denise Nash

Plant: *Paphiopedilum* William Mathews
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Denise Nash

Plant: *Phragmipedium* After-Glo
Award: 1st place
Grower: Denise Nash

Plant: *Sophrola eliocattleya* Coastal Sunrise
'Tropico'
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Denise Nash

Plant: *Brassolaeliocattleya* Yen Sunrise 'Seiko'
Award: 2nd place
Grower: Paige Hartman



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Think you can't show your orchid in the AAOS display? Think again!

Are you still on the fence about loaning your orchid to the AAOS display for our festival? Here are some busted myths that may be holding you back!

MYTH #1: I can't show my orchid because it's a NOID or I lost the label for it.

BUSTED! You can absolutely show orchids that are NOID! They are eligible for ribbons too!

MYTH #2: There's only one or two blooms on my orchid. It's not worth putting it in the display.

BUSTED! Not true! Some orchids are not prolific bloomers. If you have even one beautiful bloom, it is more than welcome in the display!

MYTH #3: My orchid isn't good enough to win a ribbon or AOS award.

BUSTED! Are you sure? Are you psychic? There's no way to know that ahead of time! Besides, the purpose of our displays is to showcase our love for growing orchids. The more diversity the better. Winning a ribbon or award is icing on the cake. Sharing the diversity of plants our group grows is always the number one priority.

Options for getting your plants to and from the show for display:

PLANT DROP OFF

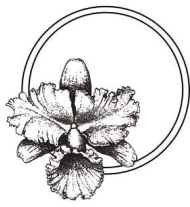
- Bring your plants to the March 12 meeting and Shane or Vivian will take them to set up for Festival.
- Drop your plants off in the auditorium during set up on Friday March 17. You can bring them starting at 12 noon. Please bring them as early as possible so work on the display can begin sooner rather than later.

PLANT PICK UP

- Plant pick up begins on Sunday March 19 beginning between 4:30pm and 5pm.
- If you can't make pick up on the 19th, please make arrangements with a member who will be there to take it home for you.
- Any unclaimed plants by the end of tear down will go home with an AAOS member. That member will contact the grower to arrange reuniting grower and plant.

Please label your plant with your name and phone number on the outside of the pot.

- A spreadsheet is on Google Drive for you to enter the name of your plant you are loaning to the AAOS display. You can find it at this link: <https://tinyurl.com/AAOS-display-plant-lists>. Enter as much information as you know about your plant. If you don't know the class, leave it blank.
- **Names must be on the spreadsheet by Wednesday March 15 so show labels can be made.**



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AAOS Festival is almost here!



Ann Arbor Orchid Society
**Ann Arbor
Orchid Festival**
March 18-19, 2023

Location:
University of Michigan
Matthaei Botanical Gardens
1800 N Dixboro Rd, Ann Arbor

FREE admission!
Show and Sales Hours:
Saturday: 10 am to 4:30 pm
Sunday: 10 am to 4:30 pm

Photographers' Hour:
Sunday 9 am to 10 am
annarbororchidsociety.org



MATTHAEI BOTANICAL GARDENS
AND NICHOLS ARBORETUM
UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN

Our Festival is an inspiring and exciting event. All the beautiful orchids on display – and for sale! – and getting to talk and mingle with fellow orchid geeks.

As with any event like this, it takes a lot of planning and lots of people to help it be a huge success.

Many hands make light work and there are several ways to participate in Festival. Have a couple of hours to spare? Check the next page for a list of opportunities that might fit your schedule! ☺

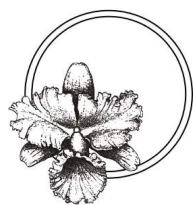
You can contact Vivian with your choices or questions.
vivlin1127@gmail.com

You can also add your name to the spreadsheet on google drive with what you'd like to volunteer for. Here is the link:

<https://tinyurl.com/2023-AAOS-festival-volunteer>

VOLUNTEER





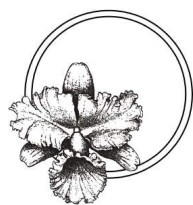
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2023 Festival Volunteer Opportunities

Contact Vivian with your choices or questions at vivlin1127@gmail.com.

PARTICIPATION OPPORTUNITY	AMOUNT OF TIME FOR TASK	CONTRIBUTION
Kitchen Volunteers	2 hour shifts	Ensure the food and drink are set up and cleaned up as needed for their shift
Clerks	Saturday morning	Help with spotting plants to be judged and with recording judges' decisions and distributing ribbons and trophies.
Auditorium Set-Up	Friday morning, 2 hour shifts	Move tables and chairs and mark off display areas for each exhibitor according to the Auditorium map.
Work on AAOS Display	Friday afternoon, 2 hour shifts	Set up AAOS display
Assist Vendors with Unloading their Vans	Friday afternoon, 2 hour shifts	Assist Vendors with Unloading their Vans
Clean up the Greenhouse	Each day at the end of the day	Sweep floor and empty trash.
Clean up the Auditorium	Each day at the end of the day	Sweep floor and empty trash.
Set up Folders for Judging	Friday evening at Vivian's house	
Auditorium Host	Saturday after judging and all day Sunday; 2 - 2.5 hour shifts	Engage with the public, answer questions about orchids and about the AAOS, encourage people to join AAOS, remind people not to touch the flowers.
Greenhouse Host	Saturday after judging and all day Sunday; 2 - 2.5 hour shifts	Engage with the public, answer questions about orchids and about the AAOS, encourage people to join AAOS, sell raffle tickets.
Watch vendor's tables for vendors who are judges	Saturday morning	Watch vendor's tables for vendors who are judges
Return plants pulled for AOS judging	Saturday afternoon	Return plants pulled for AOS judging
Tear down AAOS display	Sunday, late afternoon	Ensure that all black cloths are collected and washed, all florist wire is collected, plants are returned to their owners, display items packed up and put away.
Auditorium tear down	Sunday, late afternoon	Put all the tables and chairs back where they came from.
Assist exhibitors & vendors with teardown and transport of their plants/materials to their cars	Sunday, late afternoon	Assist exhibitors & vendors with teardown and transport of their plants/materials to their cars.



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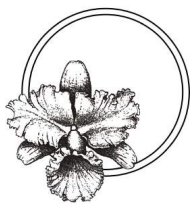
AAOS Meeting Schedule for 2022-2023

MEETING/SHOW DATE	DAY OF WEEK	TIME	LOCATION	SPEAKER + TOPIC
March 12, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 125	Russ Vernon - Odontoglossums: History and Culture
April 16, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 125	Orchids 101
May 7, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 125	TBD
August 13, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 139	Thanh Nguyen of Springwater Orchids - Paphiopedilums
September 17, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 139	Kristen Uthus of New World Orchids - Miniature Orchids
October TBD	Sunday	2pm	TBD	TBD
November 12, 2023	Sunday	2pm	Matthaei Room 125	Peter T. Lin of Diamond Orchids - Epidendrum, Prosthechea, Encyclia
December TBD	Holiday Party - details TBD			

AAOS meets September - May of each year, excluding December.

Upcoming Show Schedule for 2023

ORCHID SOCIETY	DATES & TIMES OF SHOW	LOCATION	SOCIETY'S WEBSITE FOR MORE INFORMATION
Ann Arbor Orchid Society	Friday March 17, 2023 Saturday March 18, 2023 Sunday March 19, 2023	Matthaei Botanical Gardens	Show set up on March 17 th .
Michigan Orchid Society Show	April 1, 2023 - Sunday April 2, 2023	Madison Heights	More details on time and location address coming soon.



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AAOS Board Meeting Schedule and Zoom Link

Meetings are 2pm the first Sunday of every month from August to May.

Upcoming meetings:

- March 05, 2023
- April 02, 2023
- May 07, 2023

- Zoom link:
<https://tinyurl.com/aaosboard>

All members of the Ann Arbor Orchid Society can attend the club's Board Meetings. The schedule and the link to the zoom meeting are shown to the left.

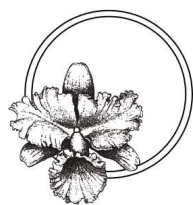
Elections for the AAOS Board of Directors will be during our regular meeting in May.

The Board conducts routine business of the Society. The voting members of the Board consist of the President, Vice President, Secretary, Treasurer, Past President and two Directors.

Chairpersons of committees are appointed (rather than elected) and are nonvoting members of the Board.

A brief description of the responsibilities of each Board member are listed below:

- President: Sets the schedule and agenda for Board meetings, runs the general meetings.
- Vice President: Fills in for the President when the President isn't available.
- Secretary: Takes minutes of Board meetings. Conducts an election of a temporary meeting chairperson if both the President and Vice President aren't available.
- Treasurer: Handles the finances of the Society. Files all the taxes and other required documents with the State of Michigan and with the IRS.
- Past President & Directors: Assist the other members of the Board with decision making and conducting the routine business of the Society.



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AAOS Officers and Volunteers for 2022 - 2023

POSITION	NAME	EMAIL	PHONE
President	Shane Ginnard	sginnard@emich.edu	(734) 882-9999
Vice President	Laura Zimmerman	lhzimmerman@gmail.com	(267) 709-1424
Treasurer / Membership	Vivian Lin	vivlin1127@gmail.com	(734) 834-4367
Secretary	Lynn Krawczyk	lynnkrawczyk@gmail.com	(734) 673-4822
Director	Kevin Griffin	kahless66@yahoo.com	
Director	David Malmquist	dcmalmquist@gmail.com	
Past President	Michael Weber		
Hospitality	Michael Weber		
Reception	Dottie Winter & Michael Weber		Dottie: (734) 761-5859
Newsletter	Lynn Krawczyk		
Webmaster	Shane Ginnard		
Festival	Michael Weber, Kristen Uthus, & Vivian Lin		
Shows	Shane Ginnard		
Programs	Vivian Lin		
Publicity/Recruitment	---		

AAOS ONLINE

Find AAOS online – links below!

Website	http://www.annarbororchidsociety.org/
Facebook Group	https://www.facebook.com/groups/annarbororchids/
Facebook Page	https://www.facebook.com/annarbororchidsociety

Please note: The Facebook Group is private. This means that you will have to request to join it.

ANN ARBOR ORCHID SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP FORM

Name: _____

Check the box for each line that you do NOT want published in
the Membership Directory.

Address: _____ ☐

City/State/Zip: _____ ☐

Phone (home): _____ ☐

Phone (mobile): _____ ☐

Email: _____ ☐

Please check
membership type: ☐ Individual (\$20)
☐ Household (\$25)

☐ Senior* Individual (\$15)
☐ Senior* Household (\$20)
* Senior rates apply to individuals
70 and over

The Newsletter is provided via email to all members at no additional cost. If you would like a printed paper copy mailed to your home, please donate \$10 to help cover costs.

☐ I would like a printed paper copy of the newsletter mailed to me. (\$10)

Membership form and payment can be brought to any in person meeting or mailed to Vivian Lin at 710 Watershed Drive / Ann Arbor, MI 48105. Payment can be made by check or by Venmo.

- Make checks payable to Ann Arbor Orchid Society. Please include a printed membership form.
- Venmo payment option: @AnnArborOrchidSociety. Please email your membership information to Vivian at vivlin1127@gmail.com

AAOS MEMBER SURVEY – To help us provide meetings that are of interest to you, please take a moment to let us know your thoughts on the questions below. You can write your responses on the back of this form or email them to Vivian at vivlin1127@gmail.com. Thank you!

- 1) Would you characterize yourself as a beginner grower, an advanced grower or something in between?
- 2) How long have you been growing orchids? What kinds of orchids do you grow?
- 3) Where do you grow most of your orchids? (For example, windowsill, outdoors in summer, greenhouse, under artificial lighting, etc.)
- 4) What types of orchids would you like to hear more about?
- 5) What other orchid-related topics would you like to learn about?