



Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers

A Branch of the Cymbidium Society of America, Inc.

**Please note the early start time for this meeting.
Set-Up and Plant entry starts at 4:30 PM**

**AGAIN THIS YEAR
ALL AUCTION PLANTS – BOTH SALE & DONOR – HAVE
BEEN PRE-TESTED NEGATIVE FOR CymMV/ORSV!**

January 2016

Date: January 15, 2016

Time: 7:00 PM (Auction plants may be checked in after 4:30 PM and until 6:00 PM)
Auction preview from 6:30 PM to 7:00 PM. Auction starts at 7:00 PM.

Place: The San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo

Take the Alameda de las Pulgas exit off Highway 92. Turn south. The Garden Center is located between 26th and 28th Avenues.

Program: The program this month will consist of our annual Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers (GCCG) Collectors' Auction of Cymbidiums and Cymbidium Companion plants. This is an extremely important fund-raising event for GCCG, since a large part of our yearly income depends on its success. We are very fortunate to again have this year our famous "keep your paddle in the air" Jeff Trimble, CSA judge, past president of our club and former President of the CSA parent club.

Board Meeting: A short but important Board meeting will be held at 3:00PM at the Garden Center prior to the set up for the auction. If you cannot attend or will be late, contact Marron at 408-807-9124.

Dinner with the Speaker, Plant Table and Plant Sales: These regularly scheduled events will not be held at this month's meeting due to the auction. Only those plants entered in the auction catalog, or approved as substitutes, will be allowed in the building.

Refreshments for the Auction: Refreshments are more than welcome at the auction and your tickets will be honored at the February meeting. There will be no raffle this month, so remember to pick up your free raffle tickets at the February meeting! **Please ensure that all items are labeled with the name of the provider so that Tony can record the names for the next newsletter and provide the 5 free raffle tickets prior to the draw.**

2016 AUCTION CONDUCT RULES: The rules for this year's auction, implemented to keep the auction under control and allow participants to go home at a reasonable time are listed at the beginning of the Auction Catalog. There are three ways for you to contribute to the success of this event - as a **seller, donor** and/or **buyer**:

Seller: Members have pre-submitted plants or related orchid items for sale, with 25% of the sale price benefiting GCCG and 75% going to the seller.

Donor: The Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers club thanks all those who have made donations to this year's auction to ensure the continued success of our organization

Buyer: As an auction buyer you win in two ways. First, you add one or more quality plants to your collection. Second, you have the satisfaction in knowing that a portion of your winning bid that goes to Gold Coast will help support your club. Do not forget to view the entries on Photo Bucket:

[http://s489.photobucket.com/user/goldcoastcymgrowers/library/GCCG 2016 Auction?sort=4&page=1](http://s489.photobucket.com/user/goldcoastcymgrowers/library/GCCG%2016%20Auction?sort=4&page=1)

Thank you to all the Commercial Growers and Companies who have supported our auction this year: Casa de las Orquideas, OrchidWiz, Santa Barbara Orchid Estate, and Top Hat Orchids.

Peninsula Orchid Society Show: If you have plants, especially Cymbidiums in bloom now, consider supporting the POS show in Redwood City. Entry is Friday Jan 22nd from 2:30PM to 6:00PM. The number of Cymbidiums entered has decreased dramatically in the past few years, and it would be fun to participate in this show and let POS see what great plants the GCCG growers have in bloom at this time of year. **Visit their website** <http://penorchidsoc.org> for more information and to view the schedule of classes.

CSA Parent Club Quarterly Board Meeting: Saturday January 23th 9:30 AM. Rosewood Resort, 2825 Sand Hill Rd., Menlo Park, CA 94025. As CSA President, Marron is encouraging all those interested to attend the meeting in the Orange Room (to the right of the main dining room). She and the CSA Board have been working tirelessly this year to strengthen our organization and would like to share their plans. After the meeting, be sure to drive the short distance to the POS Show and Sale at the Community Activities Building 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA.

Membership: The GCCG Membership list for 2015-2016 is attached with the email newsletter. Copies for regular mail members may be picked up this month from the Membership Chair, Darrel Wong. Please check your entry for accuracy and report any errors to Darrel Wong, at 6601 Bowie Way, Castro Valley, CA 94552-5038, 510-582-5896 or bacyms@yahoo.com.

CSA Membership: Members are strongly encouraged to join the Cymbidium Society of America. The CSA is the parent organization of the GCCG and not only provides liability insurance for GCCG events but allows us to operate under the umbrella of their 501(c)(3) tax status. Contact Stanley Fuelscher, CSA Membership chair at any of the GCCG meetings for CSA membership information. Dues are \$35.00 per year, which include a subscription to the *CSA Journal* and should be mailed to Stanley Fuelscher, Cymbidium Society of America, 5710 Hollister Ave., #270 Goleta, CA 93117 or handed to Stanley at one of our meetings. Membership payment may also be made through PayPal on the CSA website.

GCCG Show: The Show Chairs for our April GCCG show are Sylvia Darr and Marron Honigman, with Florence Inserto as Sales Chair. This year we will again be at The Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Ave., Redwood City, CA. The show will be open to the public on Saturday, March 19th, from 10AM to 4PM, and will include member plant sales. We will not have our members' Potluck Dinner on Friday night but in May instead. In addition to ribbon judging, we will have CSA and AOS judging. More information will be published in the February and March Newsletters as plans and more committees are confirmed. Meanwhile, now is the time to offer your help to the show committee in any way you can by signing up for a job. Remember that every helping hand will make the show and sale even more successful!

President's Message for the New Year: This year, I spent Christmas with my brother Mark in Bozeman, Montana. Although it is frosty, cold and snowing outside, there is an active orchid growing culture here. This goes to show that orchids transcend more than we can sometimes imagine. On that note, I am eagerly awaiting our January 15th GCCG Auction. The longer I am involved with the world of orchids, the more I realize what an amazing event this really is. After days, weeks and months of hard work by the growers and the Auction Committee, we all have the opportunity to bid on an incredible selection of some of the finest orchids to be found anywhere. The mere fact that this particular auction gets such a buzz on the Internet, tells me that our GCCG evening is truly something special. I want to thank Richard, Auction Coordinator, Darrel, Weegie, Lyn, Stanley, Sylvia, Jeff and my Board of Directors for their dedication to making this an unforgettable evening. Be sure to put the 15th on your calendar and be ready for the fast-paced magic that only this event can offer. The checkout process has been streamlined and Doug and Tony will have an assortment of gourmet goodies available to sustain us. My auction paddle #8 is ready.

A REMINDER FROM YOUR EDITOR

I cannot print what I do not receive. If any member receives an AOS or CSA award on a Cymbidium or Paphiopedilum Alliance plant or a trophy at any show this season, please send the information to goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com. The same is true for any member or Orchid Society wishing to publicize an event in the Newsletter as a calendar item or as an attached flyer. The deadline is the 4th Friday of the preceding month.

December 21, 2015 – Oakland, CA. *Laelia anceps* f. *lineata* 'Feathered Lady NDT' (species) received an FCC/AOS of 90 pts. exhibited by Japheth Ko. (*Although not of the Cym. or Paph. Alliance, an FCC is rarely awarded and this plant came from a successful bid by Japheth at our 2015 auction!*)

Plant Judging: The CSA will be judging Cymbidiums, Paphiopedilums, and Phragmipediums at our regular monthly meetings on request. To have a plant judged, call Sylvia Darr at [650-450-1384](tel:650-450-1384) at least one day in advance, to ensure that the CSA judges know that plants will be submitted for judging. Plant entry is between 7:00 PM and 7:30 PM the evening of the meeting. Clerks can advise you in filling out the plant entry form on your arrival. If you have a plant that will be ready for judging at another Branch meeting, please contact Sylvia Darr for more information.

The AOS judges all genera of orchids in San Francisco at the SF County Fair Building (Hall of Flowers) in Golden Gate Park on the first Tuesday and in Oakland at the Lakeside Garden Center on the third Monday, of each month. For either judging, plants need to be submitted to the clerks between 6:15 PM and 7:00 PM. Contact Sylvia for more information.

CSA and/or AOS judging takes place at most of the local shows. Contact the show organizers for specifics regarding plant entry for judging.

Upcoming Events:

January 15, 2016. Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers Annual Collector's Auction. San Mateo Garden Center, 605 Parkside Way, San Mateo, CA. **Preview 6:30PM. Auction starts at 7:00PM.** Information: Richard Mangan 209-373-7852 or visit <http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com>

January 23 & 24th 10 AM – 5 PM Peninsula Orchid Society 2016 Show & Sale. “Orchids Around the World”. Community Activities Building 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City, CA. Admission \$5 Adults, \$3 Senior (62+), \$3 Children 12-16, Free for accompanied children under 12. Fabulous Displays of Blooming Orchids, Seminars, Orchid Vendors & Member Sales.
<http://penorchidsoc.org>

February 26 - 28, 9 AM – 6 PM 2016 SFOS Pacific Orchid Exposition. “A Legacy of Orchids”. Festival Pavilion, Fort Mason, San Francisco. Fri/Sat; 10 AM - 5 PM. Sun. \$14 advance, \$15 at the Door; Seniors - \$11 in advance, \$12 at the door. 3 Day Pass - \$25; Children 16 and under - Free. Lectures, demonstrations, tours, orchid displays and sales. One of the Country's largest orchid expositions - don't miss it. www.orchidsanfrancisco.org

March 5 & 6, 2016 – 10 AM to 4 PM Annual Napa Valley Orchid Society Spring Show & Sale. “Out of this World Orchids” Free Admission Napa Senior Center - 1500 Jefferson St. Napa.
info@nv-os.org

March 4 - 6, 2016: 9 AM – 5 PM 71st Annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show. “Wild World of Orchids”. Earl Warren Show Grounds, 3400 Calle Real, Santa Barbara, CA 93105.
www.sborchidshow.com

Newsletter Deadline: The deadline for submission of information for the Newsletter is the fourth Friday of the month. The Newsletter will publish announcements of upcoming events for other orchid societies as space permits. Please send all Newsletter related items to goldcoastcymgrowers@gmail.com

GCCG Website: Check out the GCCG website at <http://www.goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers.com> for information on upcoming shows, photos of previous shows, meeting information, and copies of back newsletters. If you have any news we can put on the site, please email the GCCG Webmaster, Audrey Young-Tarter, goldcoastcymbidiumgrowers@yahoo.com

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Gold Coast Cymbidium Growers
Cymbidium Orchid Auction

Friday, January 15, 2016

Auction 7:00 PM
Registration & Preview 6:30 - 7:00 PM

Beautiful Cymbidiums and their
Companions, Including In Spike,
Rarely Available, and Show &
Award Winners!

- 150 Plant Entries
- No Buyers Premium
- Absentee Bids Accepted

San Mateo Garden Center
605 Parkside Way
San Mateo, CA 94403

Catalog & Photos will be Available after January 4, 2016 at:
www.GoldCoastCymbidiumGrowers.com

Email Questions or Inquiries to bacyms@yahoo.com or call (510) 582-5896



Cym. West Gate Bridge 'Terry Pohl'
Photo By Heather Drobus