

Garden Island Orchid Society Newsletter

May - June 2021

President's Message

Aloha everyone! 2021 is moving a lot faster than I thought it would. It seems I'm very busy doing a lot of nothing. I re-potted about half of my orchids in my shade house and feel pretty good about that. I did have one mishap when the neighborhood cat decided to knock one of the trays over. And since I had just re-potted them, they all ended up on the ground with bark everywhere and tags mixed up. I have now become determined that I will put a tray, rock or brick on any open space on the shelves to discourage any areas that can be used for napping! But I'm happy to be healthy and look forward to being able to meet with you all.



One thing I want to change about our Zoom meetings is the format to better match what we do at a live meeting. The Zoom call will be opened at 6 pm so please sign in and join the group. But we will not start the meeting immediately to encourage members to use the Zoom chat feature to reach out to others attending. I hope this gives us the same feeling of greeting each other at our regular meetings. Please join us and take the time to chat with one, two or more before the meeting starts.

We will also be doing the door prize drawing again at the June Zoom meeting. The drawing will be at the end of the meeting and you must be present on-line to collect. Sorry, if you received a door prize at the previous meeting you are not eligible for the June drawing.

We don't have the program finalized but will update everyone when the Zoom link is e-mailed out. Hope to see you at the June Zoom meeting, meanwhile, here are a few blooms from my garden.

Elizabeth



Upcoming Events

General Meeting -- The next General Meeting is scheduled for Friday, June 11, 2021 beginning at 6:00 p.m. and using Zoom as our on-line meeting platform. Log-in information will be sent a few days prior to the meeting.

2021 General Meeting Schedule: Zoom meetings are scheduled for June 11, August 13, October 8, and December 4 until regular in-person meetings can be held.

The Garden Island Orchid Society is affiliated with the [American Orchid Society](#).

Participating In The Zoom Meeting



By now we are all experts on using Zoom, right? The GIOS June General Meeting will be held via Zoom on Friday, June 11, 2021 at 6:00 p.m. To participate you must first have a Zoom account set up on your personal computer, laptop or tablet.

If you do not have a Zoom account, go to www.zoom.us and click on the "SIGN UP" button that's at the top-right corner of the screen. Then create a new account using the e-mail address you use to receive your newsletter. Zoom will send you an e-mail with a confirmation link. Click on that link to go to Zoom's Sign-Up Assistant and sign in using your credentials. This will install the program on your device and an icon should appear on your desktop.

Several days before the meeting, you will receive an e-mail with a meeting link. On the day and time of the meeting, go to your e-mail and just click on the link embedded in the e-mail, or paste it into your web browser to join the meeting.

Chat with Friends

Zoom has a chat feature that we will use at the beginning of our next meeting to provide an opportunity for people to say hi to each other and enjoy some conversation.

All attendees will be able to chat with other attendees. You can choose to send out a general message to all attendees or just chat with another person privately.

To chat, look at your controls at the bottom of the Zoom window and click or tap Chat. When you click on chat, the chat window will appear. It will be on the right if you are not in full screen. If you are in full screen, it will appear in a window that you can move around your screen.

To chat, first select who you would like to chat with by clicking on the drop down menu next to To and selecting someone. Then type your message and press Enter to send it.

When you receive a chat message, you will receive a notification at the bottom of your screen if you do not currently have the chat window open.

Its that simple. Have fun chatting with friends you may not have seen for a while!

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2021 Membership Dues

If you have not yet paid your 2021 membership dues, please see the March-April 2021 Newsletter for details.



Blooming Orchids

The following beautiful orchids are from the collection of Mark Edlund.



Angraecum EBurum



Dendrobium Liberty White 'Mutation'



*Miltassia Kauai's Choice
'Tropical Fragrance'*



Rhyncolaelia digbyana



BLC Momilani Rainbow 'Waldor'



Vanda Kulwadee Fragrance 'Blue'



Rhynchostylis gigantea 'spots'



*Vanda Lamellata Boxallii
'Rose' HCC/AOS x
Vanda Lamellata Boxallii
'Margaret Ann'*

Please submit photos of your orchids to Newsletter@gardenislandorchidsociety.org for inclusion in future newsletters.



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Cattleya Culture Sheet, learn more at:
<https://www.aos.org/orchids/culture-sheets/cattleya.aspx>



GIOS T-Shirts & Cookbooks For Sale

We still have some GIOS T-shirts and cookbooks available for purchase. The T-shirts are available for only \$15 and the cookbooks are \$10. These are great for members and to give as gifts. They also provide funding that supports the operation of the club.

To purchase a shirt or cookbook, please send an e-mail to President@gardenislandorchidsociety.org.

Looking for Orchid Bark???

For members looking for orchid bark, Kauai Irrigation recently received a shipment of the Orchiata bark from New Zealand in two sizes, 40 liter, \$21 a bag. They may be all gone already but hopefully they have future shipments coming soon. If enough of us ask for it, they will most likely order more. They moved to Puhi Industrial, turn right at Mark's Place, phone 808-245-2244



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