

The BackBulb

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November 2021



November Speaker: Deric Wenzler

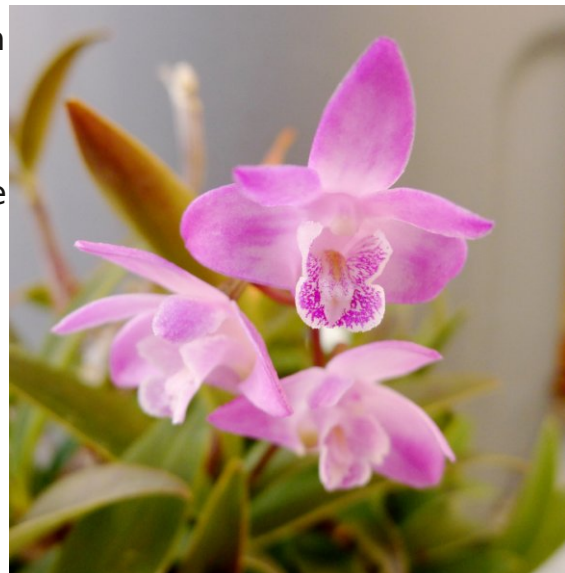
Growing Orchids Outdoors or one Cannot Live by Cymbidiums Alone

Deric Wenzler has been growing orchids on the Monterey Peninsula for over 33 years. Having grown up in the landscaping and nursery business, Deric became familiar with Cymbidiums as garden plants, but little else. Then with a happenstance rescue of an abandon Odontoglossum, his interest was piqued. He joined both the American Orchid Society (AOS) and the Carmel Orchid Society and started the latter's first Orchid May Fair Show in 1982. He also collaborated on Robert Hamilton's book of orchid species checklists: "When Does It Flower?"

In 1996, as the Carmel Orchid Society's AOS representative, Deric was awarded First Prize for recruiting the most new members by an individual over all other AOS members worldwide.

Perhaps Deric's biggest orchid dream was realized in 2005 when he attended the 18th World Orchid Congress in Dijon France. He was fortunate enough to visit the orchid nursery of Marcel Lecoufle in Boissy-Saint-Leger and view his famous Madagascan collection of angracoid orchids.

Deric still maintains his collection of mostly species in some 50+ genera at his Carmel Highlands home.



A popular patio orchid, *Dendrobium kingianum*

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In order to provide a selection of treats at our meetings, we are asking members with last names that start with the letter **A thru F** to **bring refreshments** to the next meeting.

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Upcoming Events

November

11/1 Monday 7PM COS November meeting

11/12-13 COS Fall Orchid Market

December

12/6 Monday 6PM COS Holiday Party at the church

January

1/3 Monday 7PM COS January Meeting

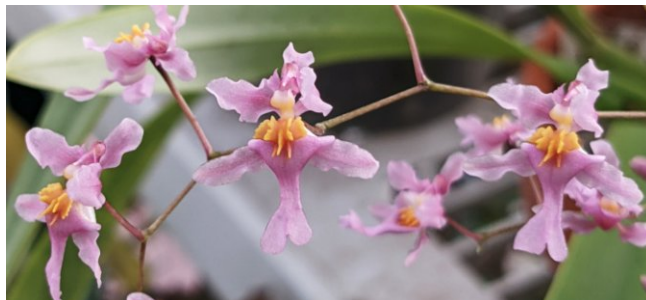
1/28-30 Peninsula Orchid Society Show, Redwood City

February

2/7 Monday 7PM COS February Meeting

2/24 Thursday POE Gala

2/25-27 POE, County Fair Bldg. Golden Gate Park



An NOID oncydium from John's greenhouse

2022 COS Board of Directors Slate

This is the official slate of nominations for the 2022 board. Anybody that would like to join us please let us know soon! You do not need to be an orchid expert to serve.

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Sell Your Orchids

If your orchid garden or greenhouse is overflowing, dividing and/or selling some of your plants at the fall show is a good way to make room for more orchids! Or if others have envied some of your plants at “show and tell” maybe you could make a little money by dividing that specimen. Members (only members please) of COS are encouraged to bring plants from their collections to sell. Here are a few guidelines for sales:

1. Plants should be disease and pest free.
2. Fill out sales tags as completely as possible (they are included with this newsletter). Plants that have a picture attached and have as much information about the plant as possible sell better. Attach the tag to your plant securely with masking tape or on a stick. If you have several plants, it is always a good idea for you to keep a list of the names and prices of the plants you bring.

3. COS will keep 25% of each sale as a part of our fundraiser. Price your plants accordingly, but remember that affordable plants sell first. Volunteers who will be at the sales table will not change prices on your plants, so if your plant is not selling, you may want to stop by the table during the show to change the price.
4. Plants can be brought to the church (show location) on Thursday afternoon, November 11th. If you cannot bring them until Friday, we will set them out for sale in the order as they are received. You will need to pick up any unsold plants at 4PM on Saturday.
5. You can sell orchids, bromeliads, succulents, carnivorous plants, or other exotics that you may have around.

I look forward to finding some real gems to purchase among the member’s orchids!

Carolyn Salmon, Member’s sales chair



Carolyn at member sales, 2017

Show Off Your Plants

We will have a display at the Fall Orchid Market this year, but it will be a bit different from years past.

Most of the guidelines from the past still apply:

- * Plants must be free of pests. It is particularly embarrassing to bring a nice plant to the show but to have it turned away due to the presence of bugs that you didn't see at home.
- * Plants should be in bloom, or be varieties known for their foliage (Neofinetias, Jewel orchids etc.). Stake the blooms if needed, clean the leaves if needed. Basically make them presentable.
- * Make the pot (if it has one) presentable. Put plants in plastic pots in a decorative container, clay pots are OK if they are not covered with water scale, algae or otherwise unsightly.
- * Plants don't have to have a tag, but it is much better if they do.

* Bring the plants to the show/market on Thursday afternoon, before 4PM.

* We have less space than usual so please limit yourself to a few plants.

This year I would like to ask a bit more of you. We always have nice plants on our display, but this year I would like to tell people a bit more than just the plant's name. **For one of your plants, if you could write down and send me what you would say about the plant if you were telling us about it at a regular meetings show and tell, I will print this information out and display it along with the plant.**

Suggestions if you have writers block:

- * How long you have had the plant.
- * What you like about it.
- * Where you got it from.
- * Some interesting cultural or other tid-bit about the plant.

John OConnell



Fall Orchid Market

presented by the
Carmel Orchid Society

Friday, Saturday
November
12 & 13
9am - 4pm

Orchids
Succulents
Carnivores
Natives
& Exotics

Community Church of the Monterey Peninsula
4590 Carmel Valley Rd. Carmel CA

CarmelOrchidSociety.org



Some sort of Brassovola Cattleya hybrid grown by Carolyn

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2021 Membership Application

Please make checks payable to the **Carmel Orchid Society** and mail to: Carmel Orchid Society - Membership, P.O. Box 223462 Carmel CA 93922-3462
 Please print

Date _____

Name _____

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Membership
 Single **\$25** _____
 Couple **\$35** _____
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 Add an additional **\$5** to receive the newsletter via USPS

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Print this page for your CVGS member plant sales tags. Fill out 1 tag per plant and attach to the plant. Use the "plant id" field to give each plant a unique code, so you know what you sold.