



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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KOS Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at Botanica in the Terrace Room at 2:00 pm, on the 3rd Sunday of each month **unless noted differently**.

September 17: Show Prep

October 6-7th Fall Orchid Show & Sale
November 19: (TBA)
December 3: Christmas Bingo

New KOS members receive a free orchid plant when they attend their second meeting. Contact Sarah Pratt at svcsjp@gmail.com and she will try to pick out something special for you.

President's Palaver

Hello fellow KOS members and orchid enthusiasts!

Are you ready for our Fall Show? It's just around the corner, set up on Oct 6 and show on Oct 7. If you haven't been to a show or haven't participated before, you don't have to be an expert, anyone can enter or help (more about helping out later in the newsletter). And if you were asking why our Fall Show is the first of October this year, it is because Kansas City is having their show the end of October and hosting an AOS show as well. "Bewitched by Orchids" is October 27-28. Also, from what I understand one should expect one heck of a costume party. It's only a short drive, there's no reason not to go.

Since I have already mentioned helping out, do you like to be involved in the organizations you participate in, understand what makes them work, or just have a little extra time? KOS will have two open board positions for the years 2024-2025 and the only requirement is that you are a KOS member. If interested please contact a current board member so you can be submitted as a nominee. We can also use help in other ways such as assisting in maintaining the membership database and creating a membership roster for distribution, hospitality at meetings, and however you would like to help (official visitor greeter).

Finally, have you sent your favorite recipes to Blake for the Great Plains Judging Center Cookbook he is putting together? He will be putting this together for the holidays so there are only a couple of months left to send them in. He mentioned he could use additional recipes for Meat dishes. Please send in a format he can edit, such as word or in your email; this eliminates the need for him to retype when trying to add to the actual document for the book. Send to blakekruse335@gmail.com.

See you next Sunday
Susie Sutton, President

Kansas Orchid Society

Meeting Minutes

June 18, 2023

The meeting was held at Botanica and was called to order by our President, Susie Sutton at 2pm. Our new member, Janelle, received a plant for attending her second meeting. There were no new members or guests.

Minutes: Bryon Rinke moved to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. Sarah Pratt seconded the motion, and the minutes were unanimously approved as presented.

Treasurer's Report: Chad Sutton presented the current financial position and filed the Report for audit.

Committee Chair Reports:

Garden Council: Kathy Etheridge reported the Garden Council was disappointed the Kansas Orchid Society was not going to participate in the flower sale at Botanica on August 26.

Great Plains Judging Center: There were 15 plants presented; 4 plants were awarded. Nathan Bell from Mid-America judging center assisted with judging.

It was mentioned that the Society enjoys the information from Kathy Etheridge re: conservation and natural orchids.

Blake Kruse is assisting on the website and Facebook page for the Society (501.3c status). Society members are encouraged to submit information, articles and all ideas are welcome; also any funny stories, etc. It was reported that there are some things reported or mentioned on Facebook that indicate association with the Kansas Orchid Society; this is not always the case and users of the site should be careful. An example is the shoes, and T-shirts being shown. Blake continues to work on the cookbook. He tells the members that he needs recipes for meat dishes, salads and drink recipes.

Old Business: There was no old business to discuss.

New Business:

- The Society will have a Board Meeting @ 1:30 pm prior to the meeting on September 17.
- The Society's fall show is coming up—Saturday October 7. There will be posters to hand out at the next meeting on Sept. 17; could each member please participate in placing them out in the public.
- The Kansas City Orchid Society show will be 3 weeks later in K.C. and this is usually a “dress up” show for Halloween. It has been a lot of fun in the past.

The meeting was adjourned at 1:45.

There was a plant potting and re-potting “hands on” program after show and tell, and the plant raffle.

Respectfully submitted, Elsie Dalziel; substituting Secretary

Great Plains Judging Center August Awards



Pectabeneria Western Tanager
, Bryon Rinke' AM 83 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Phalaenopsis Forever Young
'M & B Dark One' AM 82
Exhibitors: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke



Cymbidium dayanum f. alba
'Timbucktoo' AM_81 pts.
Exhibitor: Sarah Pratt



Phalaenopsis Walnut Valley Purple Pixie
'Southwestern College 1885' AM 82 pts.
Exhibitors: Max Thompson and Bryon Rinke





Let's Grow Together!

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Fall 2023 Virtual Members Meeting Saturday, October 28th

The AOS Board of Trustees has approved the Fall Members Meeting to be held virtually this year.

It will be free to attend, but you will need to register to do so. Registration link and information will be forthcoming as planning progresses.

Orchids 2023 Supplement Coming in October

Everything you ever wanted to know about ***Dendrobium kingianum***

Let your imagination run wild with this easy-to-grow Australian species. Follow Peter Adams as he spends decades producing a kaleidoscope of colors and forms.

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Register now and view on your time schedule.

Send Your Greenhouse Chat Questions and Photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org

Greenhouse Chat webinars are recorded and indexed by topic for future viewing.

When	At Your Convenience Check Out the Timeless Collection of Recorded Webinars	Sept. 19, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Tuesday	Sept. 21, 2023 8:30 pm EDT Thursday
Topic	Use the webinar display filter to join the global community of orchid-growers by selecting from our broad range of webinar topics.	Virtual Judging Used as a Training and Educational Exercise	Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by Sept. 19</i>
Presenter	The world's top orchid experts share the latest valuable information on caring for your orchids, orchid research and continuing education.	Sergey Skoropad AOS Judge - NE Judging Center	Ron McHatton Chief Education and Science Officer



Kansas Orchid Society Fall Show and Sale

*Saturday
October 7, 2023*

Hosting the Fall Meeting of SWROGA

*Where: Botanica, the Wichita Gardens
701 Amidon*

When: 10:00 am - 4:00 pm

Schedule of Events

- ❖ *Friday, October 6th, 9:00 am - 4:00 pm Set up and registration. Submission of plant registrations in advance to show chair Sarah Pratt is **STRONGLY RECOMMENDED**. E-mail to svcsjp@gmail.com.*
- ❖ *Saturday, October 7th*
 - *7 am: Breakfast*
 - *8 am: Ribbon judging*
 - *AOS judging to immediately follow*
 - *10:00 am Show & Sale opens to public*
 - *11:00 am to 1:30 pm Lunch available*
 - *11:30 am: SWROGA committee meetings*
 - *1:00 pm: SWROGA Members Meeting*
 - *4:00 pm: Show closes and tear down*

ORCHID SHOW

Fri. & Sat., OCT. 27-28



*"Bewitched
By
Orchids"*

Orchid Society of Greater Kansas City

www.osgkc.org

Merriam Community Center 6040 Slater St. Merriam, KS 66202

Friday 3-8 p.m., Saturday 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

Admission \$5

Costume Party Among the Orchids

Friday – **EVERYONE** – Come join the fun of a Halloween Party

(Costumes NOT required – though prize for **BEST**)

Enhanced tickets available to include magic potion
& a trio of crunchy, gooey, and sweet treats – 5-8 p.m.

Putting on a Show is a lot of work, but a lot of fun!

1. To enter: you only need a healthy plant or flowering plant in the orchid family and submit your entry (see show instructions).

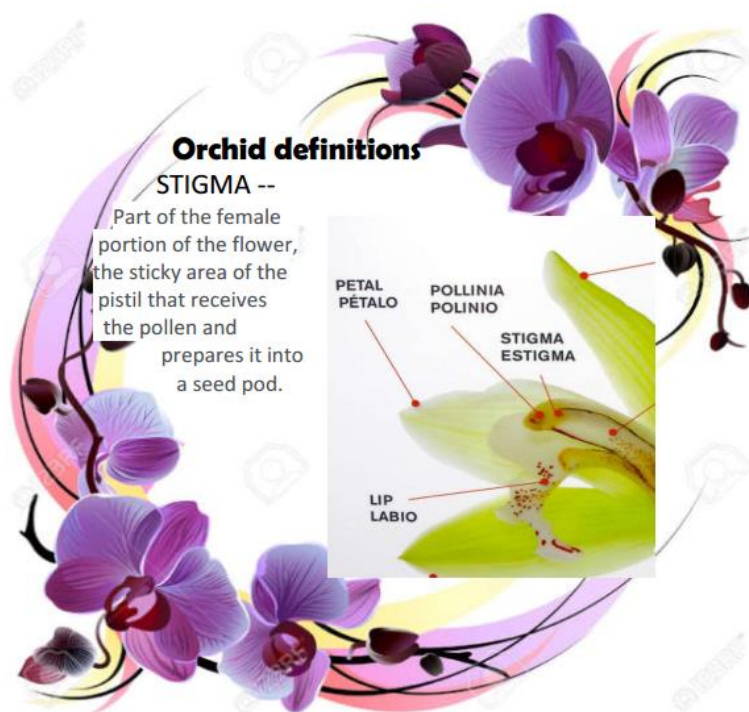
2. To participate:

- Assist judges as a clerk (we need 8- 10), show up at 8 am on Saturday, October
- Help set up on Friday and tear-down Saturday at end of day
- Provide food or beverages (sign up sheet at Sept 17 meeting)
- Assist in hospitality on as early as 7 am on Saturday thru lunch cleanup
- Help in KOS sales booth or KOS greeting table all day Saturday
- You don't have to have previous knowledge of orchids or shows for any of these, just be willing to help and open to learning. A couple of benefits are meeting new people, orchid bucks, and learning more about orchids.

There will be more detail about all of this at our meeting with lots of sign up sheets circulating.

Blake has been hard at work both revising our website and making a new official Facebook page. (not the KOS Facebook 'group') Check both out when you have a chance.

This is a work in progress so **please** be patient.... Address any questions, comments, or constructive input to:
thekansasorchidsociety@gmail.com



There will be some really nice raffle plants this month. Some in spike and all ready to be your winning entry in the show!!



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