



Newsletter of the Kansas Orchid Society

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KOS Meeting Schedule

All meetings are held at Botanica in the Lotus Room Green Growers topics start at 1:30 and the business meeting at 2:00 pm, on the 3rd Sunday of each month **unless noted differently.**

Oct 16: Fall Show preparation

Oct 29: Fall Show and Sale
Dec 4: Christmas dinner & Orchid Bingo
Hayesville Senior Center

NEW MEMBERS

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

Coming to a botanical garden near you is our fall show on October 29th. If you come and participate, here are a few of the things you can take away from the show. You can

Have fun,
Learn about orchids,
Buy some new orchids,
Eat great food.
Help your society,
Win a certificate, ribbon and/or trophy
Get up early and come have breakfast and be a show clerk and get 'orchid bucks' (if you don't know what those are – come find out)
Help setup on Friday, October 28th and get free pizza.
Enter an orchid – if it's in bloom put in the show,
Watch AOS judging.
Hang out with your orchid friends and be tired but enthused by the end of the day.
Entice new members
Sell some orchids to the public

This is your chance to be an active member of your Society. Please don't feel you have nothing to contribute. Everyone's help and participation is appreciated. "Ask not what your Society can do for you but" –well you know how the rest of that goes. See you at the October meeting on the 16th and we'll plan it all out.

Greg Tompkins,
President

There will be raffle plants, some that could be your show entry!

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Meeting Minutes

September 18, 2022

The meeting was called to order at the home of Sarah Pratt by President Greg Tompkins at 2:15 pm following our annual picnic. We had great food and Sarah's wonderful cheesecake for dessert. Tyler Trottman was a guest.

Minutes: Bryon Rinke moved to accept the minutes as published in the last newsletter. Richard Vanderlip seconded the motion after making a clarification. Encyclia chloroleuca "Selma" is just one plant and Richard Vanderlip gave it to Bryon Rinke. Encyclia "Lee" is a different plant and many members have divisions of it. Both plants were collected in Belize in 1969 by Lee Fent. The minutes were unanimously approved as corrected.

Treasurer's Report: no report.

Committee Chair Reports:

- Garden Council: no report
- Great Plains Judging Center, Bryon Rinke: September judging had 12 plants presented for judging and six were awarded. Judges from other areas took part using Zoom and it was very successful. Great Plains is one of three judging centers experimenting with using Zoom and it is working well.
- Membership, Ruth Wilson: Members who have paid dues for 2022 will receive a new name badge.

Old Business

The date of our fall show will be Saturday, October 29 with set-up on Friday October 28 starting at 9:00 at Botanica.

New Business: none

Announcements; The annual contribution for the Fred Woolf Trophy has been received

Program

We all enjoyed visiting Sarah's wonderful greenhouse and buying a few new plants.

Respectfully submitted,
Susan Tompkins, Secretary

Newsletter Articles

If you have articles, **please send them on or before
the 5th of the month to Sarah Pratt at**

svcsjp@gmail.com



Cynorkis purpurea 'Bryon' CBR
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Pescatoria dayana 'Bryon' HCC 77 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Paphiopedilum Wonderful Pleasure
'Slipper Zone Radiating Joy' HCC 78 pts.
Exhibitor: Lehua Orchids



Guaritonia Why Not
'Max' HCC 77 pts.
Exhibitor: Max
Thompson



Bulbophyllum disciflorum 'Bryon' AM 83 pts.
Exhibitor: Bryon Rinke



Stelis quadrifida 'El Salvador' AM 80 pts.
Exhibitor: Max Thompson

Do Orchids SCARE You??

Conquer your fears at the
Kansas Orchid Society
Fall Show & Sale

Sat, Oct 29 · 10 am - 5 pm
@ Botanica, The Wichita Gardens

Free Admission for all ages

For more info go to www.kansasorchidsociety.com or



Vendors
Beautiful displays
Experts available for
questions



It's Show Time!!!!

Max and Bryon will not be able to attend this year (they are obligated to go to the AOS national meeting in Sacramento). So I am trying to get as much done ahead of time as possible.

There are several attached documents you all need to take a look at.....

- Schedule of events: what is happening when
- Copy of flier: these will be available at the meeting, but this can be copied and posted on your social media.
- A hospitality list: what we generally try to have for food. If you know you can bring something, email me, so we know what spaces still need to be filled in at the meeting next week.
- SWROGA Plant Entry tags: this is a new form. This is a fillable .pdf form that we hope will replace those hand written plant tags (which will still be available). Download and print as you pick your show plants and forward to me ASAP. If at possible, I would like to have the vast majority of the plant entries before Wednesday, the 26th. Remember that it is always easier to delete an entry as opposed to adding one.

Think about whether you want to clerk, man the 'Meet an Greet' Tablet or work the sales table. Sign up sheets will circulate at the meeting.

A message from Sussie Sutton, our Facebook Editor

Have you joined our Facebook page? If you're on Facebook and haven't, please join us, Kansas Orchid Society. You can view and even reply to posts without joining, but to post comments or share pictures of your beautiful flowers, you need to join (sorry, just a FB thing about groups); but just click on Join and I'll approve within a day or so and then you're on. For those who have joined, I need your help; we need more activity. A

stagnant FB page doesn't evoke excitement and it won't have repeat visitors.

I have a request for the rest of the year - Would those who have already joined pick one week a month and sometime during that week find something to post on the KOS FB page? For those who have not joined, but are on FB, would you please join and do the same? Also, as you see activity increase please invite friends who enjoy orchids and orchid people from other areas. The FB page is one-way people may learn about our group and if they see an active, interesting page it may encourage them to come visit us in person.

Orchid definitions

PANICLE –

A branched raceme in which each branch has more than one flower. A spike is a raceme, but the flowers develop directly from the stem & are not borne on pedicels. Ex: a raceme is like the main trunk of a tree and the panicles are like the side branches.





Thursday, October 13, 2022 8:30 PM EDT



AOS Greenhouse Chat with Ron McHatton

Join Dr. Ron McHatton, AOS Chief Science Officer, as he answers your questions about all things orchids. Have your questions answered by our resident orchid expert! Please send your queries to greenhousechat@aos.org two days prior to the chat. *Open to all.*



Discover the top vendors in the orchid community and their special offers on all things orchid. If you are an AOS member, you also save 5% from every vendor. Two-Year AOS members also receive over \$600 worth of coupons from the ELITE Marketplace Partners.

[The 2022 Fall Giveaway begins on October 10th!](#)

(can't call it a raffle, go to [aos.org](https://www.aos.org))

Get your tickets (\$10 each or 3 x \$25) to participate in the drawing of three great items:

- *2 Original watercolors by premier RHS Botanical illustrator (1872 - 1953) Nellie Roberts
- *A copy of the new *Aerangs 2nd Edition* book by Isobyl la Croix
- *An orchid-themed ceramic lamp



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