

KAIMUKI ORCHID SOCIETY

MAY 2021

MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT

HELLO dear members. How are you? I hope that everyone is fine and keeping busy by tending to their orchids and gardens. I am having so much fun catching rain water and giving it to my orchids. For those who have missed the zoom meetings of the Kunia and Honolulu Orchid Societies, you are really missing out on some very interesting and informative lectures. If you would like to see any lectures missed, please email, text, or call and I will forward these videos to you. You may want to watch these more than once.

Honohonos are in bloom. It's hard to imagine, if you don't have any of these plants, what it feels like to get up in the morning and be greeted by that special fragrance through out your orchid house. Even a few blossoms on a single cane is awesome. Unfortunately, the plants are rather expensive in the garden shops so my advice to you is to start your own collection soon by getting some free keikis from friends. The upcoming Honolulu Orchid Society May meeting will feature a presentation by Jan Takamiya, our designated "Queen of *honohonos*", on these wonderful plants. As many will recall, Jan has been a guest speaker at Kaimuki Orchid Society on several occasions, always with a number of tips/suggestions for culturing these beautiful and popular plants. Her May presentation promises to be both interesting and informative. Look for the meeting invitation, which will be distributed shortly, to participate in the meeting.

On a business note, the Board voted and approved to have KOS member's 2020 dues be extended also cover 2021, this essentially due to the fact that we have not been able to hold any live meetings during the pandemic.

It is hoped that we will be able to meet in the not too distant future when it is safe and allowed by the powers that be. You will be advised of the date and time when established. In the meantime stay safe and healthy and give your plants some extra care, they will respond by providing you with joy and excitement!

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Michele's Rainwater Catching Implements

Honohonos: D. JC White (l), D. Purple Pride



Slc. Jewel Box 'Dark Waters' - Ernie Nogawa



Phal. Showpiece - Ernie Nogawa



Den. Noname - Ernie Nogawa



Den. Little Sweet Scent- Ernie Nogawa



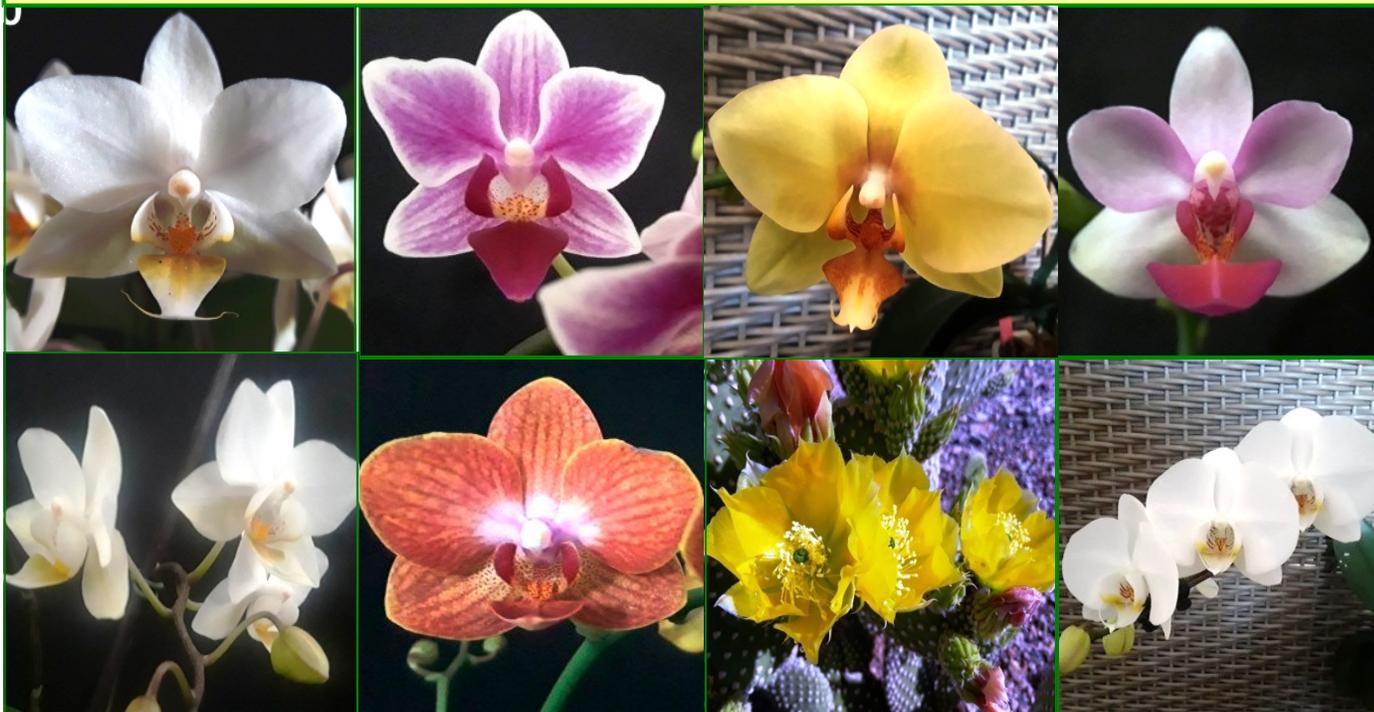
Den. Aphyllum syn pierardii - Ernie Nogawa

In Memorium - We were saddened to learn that former KOS member and Director Concetta Di Leo passed away in early April. She was generous with her time and contribution to KOS. The Board on behalf of members extend our sympathies to her family and close friends.

The monthly, 6:00 p.m., 1st Tues. General Meetings, Kilauea Rec Center, ***remains cancelled*** until further notice!

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Phalaenopsis collection by our KOS member Ted Chinen who resides in Arizona. He has not let the warm dessert climes affect his orchid culture skills as evidenced by these magnificent blooms. Note, he also does cactus flowers.



**Elegant Orange Bloom
(Noname) - Alice Murai**

Noname

**Rlc. Golf Green 'Hair Pig' -
Paula Fukuda**

**LC. Orange Walker 'Red' (LC Orange
Passion x C. walkeriana) - Alan Maii**



Oncidium Golden Anniversay - Alan Maii



C. Sea Breeze (C. warneri x C. walkeriana) - Alan Maii

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Den. Aggregatum - blooms generally appear in the April - May timeframe



Den. Jacquelyn Thomas (Den. Gouldii x Den. Phalaenopsis) - a primary hybrid developed at UH Hilo



Myrmecophila grandiflora (formerly Schomburgkia tibicinis v. grandiflora) - some canes can exceed six feet in height



Brassia Rex 'Waiomao Spotless' FCC/AOS - large elegant blooms that can span 6" to 8", developed by Kawamoto Nursery in Palolo



Encyelia bractescens - one of the smallest of the Encyclias, attractive in appearance even when not in bloom because of its grass like appearance



And if all else fails,
Michele says to grow
pine apples!

Please feel free to submit photos of your plants, with names if possible, along with any interesting stories associated with them.
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