



Hilo Orchid Society September 2023

Newsletter

In-Person Meeting

Note: the meeting scheduled for Sat., Sept. 9, 2023 will be in-person. There will be no Zoom meeting.

Date: Saturday, Sept. 9, 2023
Time: **1:30** Informal “talk story”
2:00 Meeting starts
Place: Kamana Senior Center,
127 Kamana St., Hilo
Speaker: Julia Douglas
Topic: Orchid Conservation in Oaxaca

Earlier this year, we awarded Julia Douglas a conservation grant to support the work that she has been doing in Oaxaca, Mexico. This month, Julia will tell us all about it. In the town of Zaachila, local people harvest thousands of the endemic orchid *Prosthechea karwinskii*, which they call monjita, for ornamental use in Easter parades, dances, and altar decorations. Since 2019, Julia has been collaborating with the municipal government and community to help ensure the survival of the species, including returning plants into nearby forests and building greenhouses for monjita cultivation.



Julia was born and raised in Honolulu and is currently a Ph.D. student in the Botany program at the University of Hawaii at Manoa. When she's not saving orchids, she enjoys climbing trees, surfing, making ceramics, and vegetable gardening.

If you'd like to hear how one of our conservation grant recipients is saving orchids in Mexico, don't miss this meeting!

Pre-Order from Fred Clarke

Our November speaker is Fred Clarke of Sunset Valley Orchids in California. He is offering a 20% discount on orchids that we pre-order, which he will ship to us before the meeting. This has to be done as a group order in mid-October, so to get the discount, DO NOT order directly from his website. We'll have more info about the group order at the meeting and in next month's newsletter.

Fred is known for his *Catasetinae* hybrids, including black orchids, but also offers *Cattleyas*, *Paphs*, *Dendrobiums*, *Sarcochilus*, and others. See his website <http://sunsetvalleyorchids.com>



Prosthechea karwinski, the orchid that Julia Douglas is helping to conserve in Oaxaca, Mexico.

August Members Choice

Photos by Larry Kuekes



1st place: *Oncidium* Taylor Barfield 'Pixie Dust', grown by Dana Culleney



Left: 2nd place: *Blc.* Prada Green Deluxe, grown by Vivian Ueoka



Right: 3rd place: *Bulbophyllum* (Binandijkii Sarawak x *lasianthum*), grown by Sherry Partlow

July AOS Awards

Photos by Glen Barfield

Note: these include awards given at the Hilo Orchid Show in July.



Ascorella QF Amanda 'QF Awesome' AM/AOS, CCM/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms



Left: *Cattleya* Fulvescens 'Island Sun' AM/AOS, grown by Dana Culleney



Right: *Cattleya* Nora's Melody 'H & R' AM/AOS, grown by GLA Orchids



Catasetum Richie Moran 'Ferocious' AM/AOS, grown by Shogun Hawaii



Left: *Cattleya schofieldiana* 'Giant Petals' HCC/AOS, grown by Orchid Eros



Right: *Cattleya* Who Dis 'De Udder' HCC/AOS, grown by Orchid Eros



Dendrobium arachnoideum 'OrchidFix Tiny Gem' CCM/AOS, grown by OrchidFix



Left: *Catasetum* Richie Moran 'Lovingly luscious lips' AM/AOS, grown by Shogun Hawaii



Right: *Dendrobium lampangense* 'Ping Pong' AM/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids



Left: *Dendrobium* Jairak Fire Horn 'ISO' AM/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids
Right: *Dendrobium* Mem. Lillian Yamada 'Carmela' CCE/AOS, grown by Carmela Orchids



Left: *Dendrobium* QF Hawaiian Magic 'QF Amanda' AM/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms
Right: *Habenaria* Jiaho Yellow Bird 'QF Ann' AM/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms



Left: *Scaphosepalum microdactylum* 'For Fai' CCM/AOS, grown by Jungle Mist Orchids
Right: *Paph.* QF Akala Leo 'QF Amber' AM/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms



Left: Jungle Mist and Timothy Brown exhibit, Silver Certificate and Show Trophy
 Right: Waves of Good Vibrations mini display, AC/AOS (Artistic Certificate), exhibited by Michelle Gannon



Left: Waves Waves Waves mini display, AC/AOS (Artistic Certificate), exhibited by Mark Krishtal
 Right: *Pinalia rhodoptera* 'Eli' CBR/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids



Paph. hookerae 'QF Adria' FCC/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms



Left: *Paph. Longing Sighs* 'Slipper Zone Green Heights' HCC/AOS, grown by Lehua Orchids



Right: *Paph. x hermannii* 'QF Annie' HCC/AOS, grown by Quintal Farms



Left: *Rlc.* Louis de Pointe du Lac 'Pele's Flame' AM/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids
Right: *Platystele stenostachya* 'Microdose' CCM/AOS, grown by Jungle Mist Orchids



Paph. QF Akala Leo 'QF Amber' AM/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids



Tolumnia velutina 'Emi's Pink Dream' HCC/AOS, grown by Island Sun Orchids



Lou. Richard Ace Otaki 'Gold Rush' AM/AOS, grown by Hawaii Hybrids

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