

May 2026

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NEWSLETTER OF
MALIHINI ORCHID SOCIETY



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ORCHID SOCIETY

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<http://malihini.org/>



MALIHINI MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday, May 8th, 2026

MEETING LOCATION

The South Bay Historical Railroad Society (SBHRS)

1005 Railroad Avenue, Santa Clara, California (between the Santa Clara Police Department & Santa Clara University)

SETUP STARTS AT 7PM, MEETING AT 7:30PM

SPEAKER: Dave Robison from Orchid Design

TOPIC: Repotting & Dividing Cymbidiums

OPPORTUNITY PLANT TABLE:

Orchid Design will provide the plant table.

SPEAKER BIO:

As a retired graphic arts instructor, **Dave Robison** claims he's not really an "orchid person" and that his main hobby is letterpress printing, but he actually spends most of his time helping his wife take care of cymbidiums and a few thousand other orchids at their Orchid Design business. After more than two decades of dividing and repotting hundreds and hundreds of cymbs, Dave thinks he may have figured out how to do it, and is happy to share tips, techniques, and ideas on dividing, potting media, repotting, and how to get cymbidium "back bulbs" to grow new plants.

NEW / RETURNING MEMBERS:

Welcome back Josephine Wong...



MESSAGE FROM THE VP:

When Bill planned to step down, he asked if I would continue as VP. Ten plus years was a long time! Due to a lack of candidates for Vice President at the time, I decided to stay on. Now that Dave is stepping into the VP position, I hope you will offer him the same support you've given me. We will hold elections for the VP and membership chair positions at the upcoming meeting.

It's a great load off my mind. I can now concentrate on maintaining the membership database, the library, and getting to know the new members. Also I will have more time to get my personal life in order.

DONATIONS:

Thanks to Antonio (\$100), Dave Robison (speaker fee), and Orchid Design (plants) for their donations to Malihini Orchid Society.

SHOW AND TELL PLANTS:

Join us and show off by bringing your orchids in bloom and share your experience with us. You will receive 1 opportunity plant ticket and can win another orchid.

REFRESHMENTS:

Members who bring refreshments to a meeting receive 1 opportunity plant ticket. Contact the Refreshment Chairperson at the meeting to receive your tickets.

MEMBER SALE PLANTS

All members have the opportunity to sell plants from their personal collections at regular meetings. Members sell directly to the buyers. Sellers are responsible for paying any sales taxes.

NAME TAGS (BADGES)

You will receive a name tag after you become MOS member.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Join our social media team to promote our Malihini Orchid Society, membership, show, take photos, posting, answer questions from the followers...

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit your article, show flyers, open house or other info... to our newsletter editor: Angelica@orchidesign.com **before the 20th** of the month. We will post it for you

Follow us on Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/ORCHIDinSANJOSE/>





MOS 2026 Speaker Schedule

May 8th – Dave Robison – Repotting and Dividing Cymbidiums

June 12 – Chen Hao – Indonesia Orchids

July 10 – TBA

August 14 – Cheri Wagner – TBA

September 11 – Mary Gerritsen – TBA

October 9 – Ron Parson – TBA





Moving Sale!

Hello Malihini Orchid Society Members & Friends!

We have a long-time member who plans to move to Washington state. She is having an orchid moving sale.

DATES

May 3, 2026 (SUNDAY FINAL DAY)

11 am - 2 pm

ADDRESS

1073 Sargent Drive

Sunnyvale, CA 94087

-COME ONLY AT THE TIMES LISTED (NO EARLY-BIRDS)

-CASH ONLY

-Most are not in bloom, only the ones in the flyer

-Many have name tags, but not all

-UPDATED: Monika will bring the orchids from her backyard for the sale also. In total there will be 50+ orchids remaining for the May 3rd sale.



HOME ORCHID SALE

Moving up north so I have to liquidate a lot of my prized orchids that I've been growing for 20 years.



They include many Australian Dendrobium and Cattleya crosses.

Address: 1073 Sargent Dr., Sunnyvale, CA 94087

Saturday, April 25 from 11 am to 3 pm

May 3 from 11 am to 2 pm



MOS 2026 OFFICERS

President - John Humphrey
Vice President - (Dave Robison)
Treasurer - John Humphrey
Secretary - (open)
Director of Ways & Means - Antonio Nguyen
Membership Chair - Yuko
Director at Large - Grace Keng
Opportunity Tickets - Liz Gehrig
Past President - Bill Weaver

Newsletter Editor - Angelic Nguyen
Webmaster - Amy Ohe
Orchid Show/Sale Chair - OPEN

UP COMING EVENTS

• May 8-10, 2026

Gold Country Orchids and Paph Paradise open house
Lincoln, California (See flyer)

• May 9 – 10, 2026

Santa Clara Valley Orchid Society Show & Sale

Yamagami's Garden Center

1361 South De Anza Blvd [scvos.com/scvos-2026-show-sale](https://www.scvos.com/scvos-2026-show-sale)

FREE ADMISSION

FREE PARKING

Show Times

May 9th - Saturday (9 am - 6 pm)

May 10th - Sunday (9 am - 4 pm)

Judging being held on May 9th (Saturday) @ 9:00 am

• June 20, 2026

Orchid Digest – Speaker Day

@ The Huntington Library & Botanical Gardens

San Marino, California (See Flyer)

• June 27-28, 2026

Orchid Fest sponsored by Five Cities Orchid Society

"FRIENDSHIPS AND BLOOMS"

at Nipomo High School, Nipomo, CA

Saturday 9AM to 5PM

Sunday 9AM to 4PM

<https://www.fcos.org/orchid-fest-2026>



• **July 25-26, 2026**

San Francisco – Orchids In The Park

SF County Fair Building, Golden Gate Park

Tickets and info at:

<https://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/events.html>

(See Flyer)

• **July 25-26, 2026**

San Diego – Orchids In The Park

Casa Del Prado, Room 10

Balboa Park, San Diego, California.

Admission FREE

<https://sdorchids.com>

Saturday: Sale opens at 10am - 6pm.

Show starts at noon.

Sunday: 10am - 4pm.

• American Orchid Society judged Show

<https://sdorchids.com/our-shows/>



June 27-28, 2026

- Sat 9 a.m. - 5 p.m.
- Sun 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

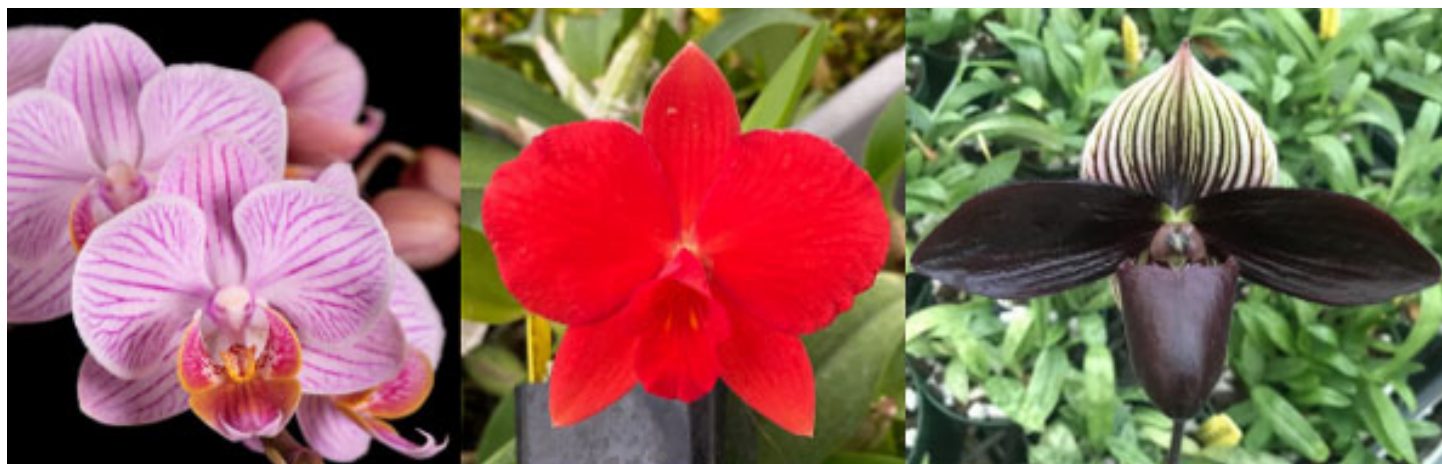
**Admission
\$5**

Includes \$5 voucher to use with our vendors during the show!

**Nipomo High School
525 N. Thompson Ave.
Nipomo, CA 93444**

Hosted by:

The Five Cities Orchid Society
Visit FCOS.org for more info



GOLD COUNTRY ORCHIDS & PAPH PARADISE SPRING OPEN HOUSE

GOLD COUNTRY:

**15% off any purchase over \$150 with this flyer
BRING MOM AND SHE WILL GET A FREE PLANT ON SUNDAY**

**MAY 8 9:00-4:00
MAY 9 10:00-3:00
MAY 10 10:00-3:00**

390 BIG BEN ROAD, LINCOLN, CA

**MAKE A DAY OF IT!
VISIT OUR LOCAL WINERIES, RESTAURANTS
AND MICROBREWERIES
WE RECOMMEND:
DUELING DOGS BREWERY
CIOTTI WINERY
AND MANY MORE!!!**

**PAPH PARADISE: NEW AND EXCITING PLANTS
Don't miss this chance to see our most recent
additions, including some select plants not
available online or at shows**



The Huntington and Orchid Digest
present
Speakers Day 2026, Saturday, June 20, 2026
10:00 am to 7:30 pm
Hybrid event: In-person and Virtual
at The Huntington
[1151 Oxford Rd, San Marino, CA 91108](#)
Registration includes:
Four Speakers, Vendors, Book Sales, On-Site Silent
Auction, Happy Hour, Dinner, Recording
Members through 6/12/26:
\$99.00: In-person registration, recording
Virtual \$40.00: lectures, recording
Nonmembers: \$125.00: In-person registration,
recording
Virtual \$55.00: lectures, recording
Non-members: Join now and take advantage of the member
rate for the coming year on all Orchid Digest Events, plus
the journal!



ORCHIDS IN THE PARK

JULY 25 & 26

@SF COUNTY FAIR BUILDING

1199 9TH AVENUE, SAN FRANCISCO CA 94122



**TICKETS
ON SALE!**

Advanced tickets
Recommended



**ORCHID
DISPLAYS &
VENDORS**

Workshops, Plants &
More



**ALL AGES
WELCOME**

Educational & Family
Friendly activities

MORE INFO & TICKETS
www.orchidsanfrancisco.org



Orchids

July 25–26

Saturday Sales 10 a.m.–6 p.m.

Saturday Exhibit 12 p.m.–6 p.m.

Sunday 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Casa del Prado, Room 101
Balboa Park

Near the Natural History Museum

Free Admission



Show and Sale
in the Park



sdorchids.com

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