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MALIHINI MEMBERSHIP MEETING

Friday, October 9th, 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 DINNER before the meeting:

Members can join Ron and John for no-host dinner at Thai Chili Cuisine, 1550 Halford Ave., Santa Clara, about 5:30pm. Let John know if you're coming. (408 314-5955)

SPEAKER: Ron Parsons

TOPIC: Rarities and Oddities of the Orchid World

SPEAKER BIO:

Ron has been growing orchids for more than 50 years, and has been interested in the species for most of that time. He loves to photograph orchids and other flowers whenever possible. Ron has nearly 127,000 digital images, most of which are of orchids, and still retains a slide library that exceeds 100,000 botanical images. He has given more than 500 talks on various botanical topics, and has more than 7000 published photos. Ron has co-authored five books on botanical subjects, all with Mary E. Gerritsen. The first two, published by Timber Press, are *Masdevallias*, *Gems of the Orchid World* and *Calochortus*, *Mariposa Lilies and their Relatives*. Their third book, a two-volume set, *A Compendium of Miniature Orchid Species* was published by Redfern Natural History Productions in January 2014. In 2019 *The American Orchid Society Guide to Orchids and their Culture* was released, and is on its third printing. The fifth book, a much-revised



second edition of *A Compendium of Miniature Orchids Species* was released in October, 2021. It is now a four volume set with 3100 photos (1800 are new), including those of more than 500 species not in the first edition.

OPPORTUNITY PLANT TABLE:

Jeff Tyler/In Situ Orchids will provide the plant table.

DONATIONS:

Many thanks to all members who bring refreshments! Thank you to Orchid Design for the Sept. plant table and Facebook advertising.

MOS 2026 Schedule

November 13 – No Friday meeting, Saturday Field Trip

November 14 – Saturday Field Trip to orchid greenhouses

December 11 – MOS Holiday Party

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November 14 – Saturday Field Trip — For November, instead of our usual Friday evening meeting, we will have a Malihini Orchid Society trip to see several orchid growers' greenhouses in the area but we do need to know how many members plan to come. We expect to carpool in minivans; about 18 people maximum. Cost will be \$15 per person, to cover gas & expenses, and \$5 more if we decide to buy a group lunch.

We will meet to carpool at the Alma DMV parking lot (111 W. Alma Ave, San Jose) about 8:45 Saturday morning, leaving for Pacifica at 9am. Arriving in Pacifica about 10, we'll visit Shelldance Orchid Gardens (where they have much more than just orchids!) and during the visit, small groups (4-6 people at a time) can split off to also visit Dan Newman's adjoining Hanging Gardens nursery. We'll have lunch at Shelldance, then visit Brookside nursery in Menlo Park on our way back home. Upon returning to San Jose, we'll visit Orchid Design nursery, conveniently located directly across the street from the Alma DMV parking lot!

Discussion at this month's meeting: Lunch options — do we:

- 1) Everybody bring their own? - or -
- 2) Do a potluck somewhat like our Friday meetings? - or -
- 3) Buy and bring a group lunch?

At this month's meeting, members interested in going on the field trip will need to decide on lunch, sign up, and pay their share of costs. We will need to get an accurate headcount to arrange vans.



Any member interested in joining the group but either unable to make this month's meeting to sign up, or preferring to drive themselves instead of carpooling, please contact Malihini President John Humphrey (408 314-5955) by mid-October at the latest!

NEW WEBSITE

We have a new website: <https://malihiniorchids.com/>
Please visit, and contribute ideas.

MEMBERSHIP FEE

Since more than half the year is gone, the membership fee from now through December will be half the regular price. The membership fee is now \$12.50 for the remainder of the year. That's only approximately \$2.08 per month!

MEMBERSHIP:

There are many benefits in becoming a Malihini Orchid Society member:

- Learn about the various genera of orchids
- Learn the culture and cultivation of orchids
- Monthly newsletter
- Monthly orchid speaker(s)
- Opportunity to acquire orchids through monthly meetings
- Showing off your orchids during Show & Tell
- Connect with people with similar interest
- Ask questions about what ails your orchid
- Participate in our yearly orchid show & sale
- Holiday dinner

If you know anyone who might be interested in orchids, forward this newsletter to them. We are always interested in having new members join us! If anyone has any questions about Malihini Orchid Society, you can email Lynn at malihini.society@gmail.com

MEMBERSHIP SHOW & TELL PLANTS and REFRESHMENTS:

Bring your orchids in bloom and share your experience with us. You will receive one opportunity plant ticket and can win another orchid. Members who bring refreshments to a meeting also receive one opportunity plant ticket.

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.





NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit your article, show flyers, open house or other info... to our newsletter editor Angelic Nguyen:

malihininews@gmail.com

before the 20th of the month. We will post it for you.

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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

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Past President - Bill Weaver

Newsletter Editor - Angelic Nguyen (malihininews@gmail.com)

Webmaster - Angelic Nguyen

Orchid Show/Sale Chair - OPEN

UPCOMING EVENTS

• **Oct. 9 – 11, 2026**

The Huntington's 10th Annual International Orchid Show

– **"Roots of Origin"** (*see flyer*)

1151 Oxford Road

San Marino, CA 91108

<https://www.huntington.org/event/10th-annual-international-orchid-show-and-sale>

• **Oct. 24 – 25, 2026**

San Diego Orchids In The Park – Fall Show & Sale (*see flyer*)

Casa del Prado Room 101.

1800 El Prado, San Diego, CA 92101.

Free admission.

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THE HUNTINGTON ORCHID SHOW & SALE

OCT. 9–11, 2026
ROOTS OF ORIGIN



10th Annual International Orchid Show & Sale

Featuring exhibits by growers from Southern California and around the world as well as a wide selection of orchids and related supplies from domestic and international vendors

Show and sale open 10 a.m.–5 p.m.
1151 Oxford Road, San Marino, CA 91108

huntington.org/orchid-show

Orchids

San Diego County Orchid Society presents

October 24-25

Saturday Noon – 5 p.m.

Early bird sales start at 10 a.m.

Sunday 10 a.m. – 4 p.m.

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