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#### SEPTEMBER 2025 NEWSLETTER

The Colorado Springs Orchid Society will have its September 2025 meeting on Saturday the 27<sup>th</sup> at Fire Station #14, 1875 Dublin Blvd. The fire station is at the intersection of Academy and Dublin behind Yorkshire Veterinary Clinic. From Academy Blvd, turn east onto Dublin, then take the first right. The meeting starts at 10:00am with social time and set-up between 9:30am and 10:00am.

We encourage members to bring in orchids (divisions, duplicates, or ones that you are just not having luck with) to sell or for the raffle table. Raffle tickets are \$1 each. Bring your blooming orchids for Show & Tell and receive a free raffle ticket.



This month refreshments will be provided by those whose last name begin with the letters Q to Z.

#### CSOS 2025 Calendar

September 27 – TBD Refreshments Q – Z

October 25 (Auction) – TBD Refreshments A – C

November 22 (Elections) – TBD Refreshments D – G

December 27 – TBD Refreshments H – P

# **Other Announcements:**



<u>Special Thanks to Bridget Wright</u> – Although she is not a member, she is an orchid enthusiast who donated 4 orchids to our raffle last month. Your generosity is appreciated and we will, hopefully, provide them with as loving a home as you did.

<u>CSOS Display and Award Photos</u>: Below are a few pictures of some displays, plants and awards from the DOS Show and Sale held on September 13 and 14, 2025. Congratulations to everyone:



CSOS Display, September 2025



Group A. Cattleya Alliance – Best Flower: Brassocatanthe Booth Lee 'Venice', Joan McCann



Group E. Oncidium Alliance – Best Flower: Miltonia regnellii var. alba, Amal Cooke



AOS Artistic Certificate (AOS/AC 81 points), Best Exhibit by a Novice. (1st time exhibitor), Best Exhibit with plants grown under lights: Amal Cookie, Exhibit #1



AOS Educational Certificate (AOS/EC 91 points), Best Educational Exhibit, and Best Exhibit featuring Miniature Orchids:

Jojo deBeaubien, Exhibit #6



#### Bulb. Sunshine Queen 'Orange'

#### President's Message

What a whirlwind and successful few weeks it's been! First, a big thank you to everyone who made our summer picnic such a success. The morning weather was dicey, but the afternoon turned out to be beautiful! It was great to see everyone relaxing under the trees and enjoying the day. A special thanks to Karen for bringing the drinks and to Lorie and Matt for working out all the details with Mission BBQ. A big thank you also goes to Roger and Maggie for graciously hosting us all later in Black Forest for a greenhouse tour. Oh, and yes, Karen even got to meet the firefighters this year!

Thank you, and a huge round of applause to the Denver Orchid Society for hosting a truly spectacular Fall Orchid Show and Sale! We are so grateful for their hard work and for providing such a wonderful opportunity for us to showcase our plants. Our society's exhibit looked beautiful, and it wouldn't have been possible without the amazing teamwork of our membership. Thank you to Jean and Matt for working on the exhibit ideas, Roger for setting up the backdrop early so we could hit the ground running, and to Barbara, Kathy, Joan, and Roger for sharing plants for our exhibit. Including myself, we had five members participate this time, and we'd love to see even more of you join us for the spring show!

And now for the very exciting results from the show! Congratulations to all of our ribbon, rosette, and exhibit winners! We had some truly spectacular plants on display. In addition to multiple ribboned plants in our society's exhibit (we hope to see you again at Show-and-Tell!), Joan's *Brassocatanthe* Booth Lee 'Venice' won the Best Flower rosette for the *Cattleya* Alliance group!

Amal rocked the house with her first solo exhibit! Her beautiful *Miltonia regnellii* var. alba earned her the rosette for Best Flower in the *Oncidium* Alliance group. She also earned multiple ribbons and the trophy for Best Exhibit by a Novice, Best Exhibit with Plants Grown Under Lights, and an AOS Artistic Certificate (AOS/AC 81 points)! What a fantastic debut!

If you were thinking of setting up a grow tent but weren't sure where to start, I hope you didn't miss Jojo's exhibit, showing step by step how accessible building a grow tent system from scratch can be! This gorgeous tutorial and its orchids brought home multiple ribbons and the trophy for Best Educational Exhibit and Best Exhibit featuring Miniature Orchids. She was also awarded an AOS Educational Certificate (AOS/EC 91 points). Incredible work, Jojo!

Unlike the last few fast-paced months, our September meeting promises to be a relaxing morning, and we would love to see all of the ribbon and rosette-winning plants on display again at the fire station. It's a great opportunity to get a closer look at these stunning orchids and hear more about their award-winning care.

Happy growing, and I can't wait to see you all at the fire station on the 27th!

Cheers, Alison Dino President, Colorado Springs Orchid Society Automobileveloce@gmail.com

## Roger Stone's August Blooms:



Bc. Gulfshore's Beauty



Lctna. Joyful Suncoast 'Charis'





C. Hybrid

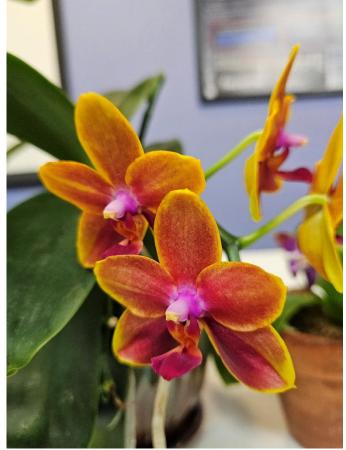
# Three of Terry Bernard's August Blooms:



Rlc. Frank Gilmore 'Mendenhall'



Phal. Mituo Dragon 'Blue.Ring'



Phal. Mituo Sun Queen '95-2'

# One more of Terry's August Blooms:



# Another one of Terry's August Blooms:



# Two more of Terry's August Blooms:



Bl. Yellow Bird



B. nodosa 'Susan Fuchs' FCC/AOS



Hab. erichmichelii grown by Allison Barton

## Jojo duBeaubien's August Blooms:



Ctsm. Dentigrianum 'SVO Excellance' x .Portage Star 'Brian Lawson's Surprise' HCC/AOS





Sns. fragrans



Den. hekouense grown by Barbara VanderStoep





Ctsm. pileatum.var. imperiale 'SVO Red Baron'.grown by Kaoru Stabnow





Paph. Odette's Oxymoron and Slc. Mahalo Jack grown by Amal Cooke

# Joe Genova's August Blooms:



Den. Hybrid







Paph. lowii

## Kathy LaBree's August Blooms:



C. Leoloddiglossa var. coerulea 'Exotic Orchids' AM/AOS



Rlc. Mem. Helen Brown 'Sweet Afton' AM/AOS

## Three of Joan McCann's August Blooms:



Phal. bellina f. Pink x sib







Phal. LD Bellina Kingfisher 'Mutuo #1'

#### Three more of Joan's August Blooms:



Den. Hybrid



Pot. Rubescent Fire 'Fire Bomb' x Pot. Martha Clarke 'Bali Flare' HCC/AOS



Bllra. Tropic Lily 'Hilo Space Ship'

## Two more of Joan's August Blooms:



Hab. Erich's Pink Thing 'She's Allowed to Wait' AM/AOS



Hab. rhodocheila 'Brilliant' JC/AOS