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MAY 2025 NEWSLETTER

The Colorado Springs Orchid Society will have its May 2025 meeting on Saturday the 24th 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

May 24 – TBD Refreshments Q – Z

June 28 – TBD Refreshments A – C

July 26 – Presentation by Ron Parsons Refreshments D - G

August 23 – TBD Refreshments H – P

September 27 (Auction) – TBD Refreshments Q - Z

October 25 – TBD Refreshments A – C

November 22 (Elections) – TBD Refreshments D – G

December 27 - TBDRefreshments H - P

Other Announcements:



<u>Thanks to Kaoru Stabnow</u> – She did an outstanding job of taking photos of the Show & Tell Plants bought in for our April 2025 meeting!

President's Message

The Denver Orchid Society Spring Show & Sale is a wrap, and we're so grateful to our DOS friends for another unforgettable weekend filled with camaraderie, collaboration, and stunning displays! The CSOS Society Exhibit was alive with the results of the talented, loving care, and occasional threats (you know who you are), you all lavish on your orchids! Thank you so much, Amal, Kaoru, Maya, and Terry, for your design work to showcase all of our beautiful blooms, Joan for helping us connect via Zoom, and Roger for working your magic on the backdrop. It was fun to see the delight on visitors' faces when they spotted one of Amal's handmade gnomes peeking out from an orchid, or the waterfall Maya lit up with tiny lights!

Congratulations to all of our exhibit, rosette, and ribbon winners! Songbird Orchids earned the honor of Best Commercial Exhibit, Jojo brought home the Best Educational Exhibit and Sunday's People's Choice for her Orchid Species exhibit, and Pam's gorgeous display won Best Exhibit Featuring Orchid Plants and Art. Amal's *Dendrobium thyrsiflorum* was definitely a crowd-pleaser, earning a rosette, People's Choice Plant honors on both Saturday and Sunday, and even making an appearance on the news!

Throughout the weekend, the show hall was filled with laughter, teamwork, and growers comparing notes. I know I owe Taylor a debt of thanks for helping me fix a mistake I didn't even know I was making with my terrarium setups. I can already see a difference in my plants—thanks, Taylor! The weekend was truly orchid magic at its best. We're already looking forward to doing it all again this fall at Nick's Garden Center and Farm Market in September. Details will follow as we get closer.

I don't know how it's nearly June, but it is, and that means our upcoming Native Orchid Hike in Emerald Valley with the CoNPS is fast approaching! The hike will take place on Saturday, June 21st, from 9:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Parking at the trailhead is very limited, so we will be organizing a carpool for participants, departing from the Safeway on Colorado Avenue. Additional details will be shared closer to the event date.

The hike is already half full, and only three spots remain for CSOS members to sign up. If you're interested in joining this unique field trip to experience the beauty of Colorado's native orchids in their natural habitat, don't wait, reserve your spot using the link below. Thank you so much, Kaoru, for coordinating with the CoNPS to make this opportunity possible!

https://conps.org/home/events/event-calendar/#!event/2025/6/21/se-chapter-field-trip-emerald-valley-saturday-june-21-2025-9-am-to-2-pm

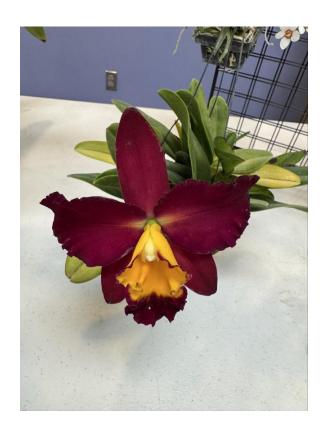
Can't wait to see you—and all the orchids that waited until *after* the show to bloom—at the fire station on Saturday,

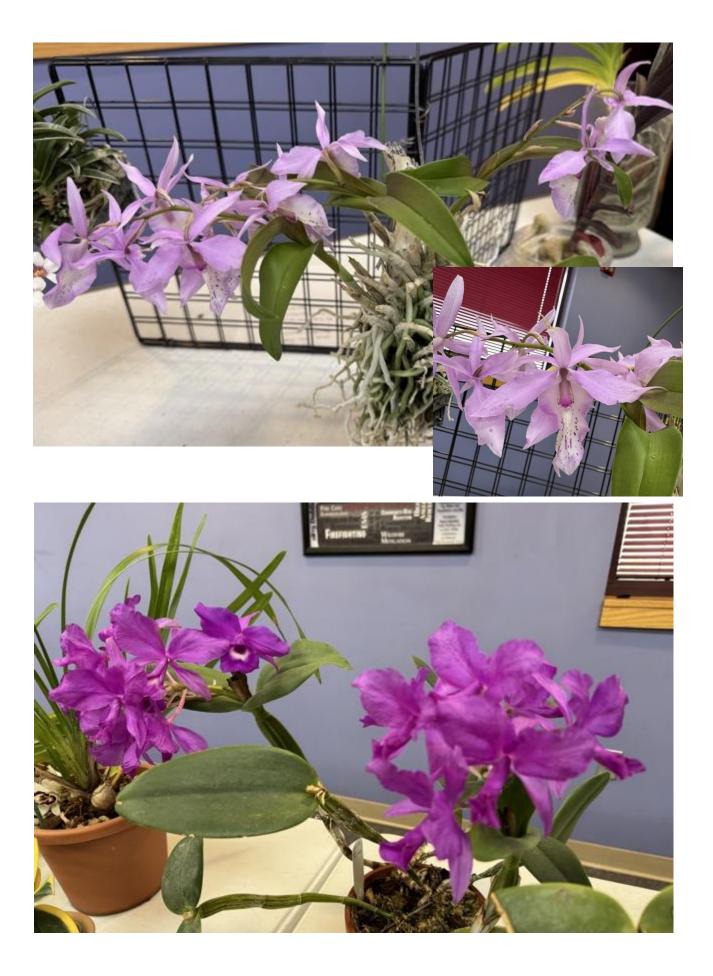
Alison Dino President, Colorado Springs Orchid Society Email: <u>automobileveloce@gmail.com</u> Just for fun, see how many of the April 2025 Bloomers you can match to the list at the end of this newsletter!



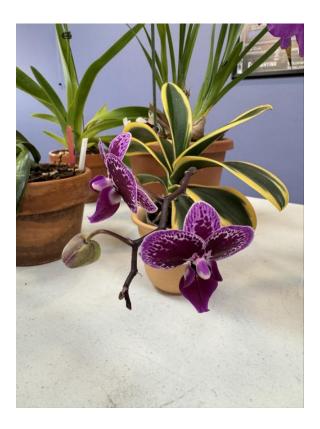




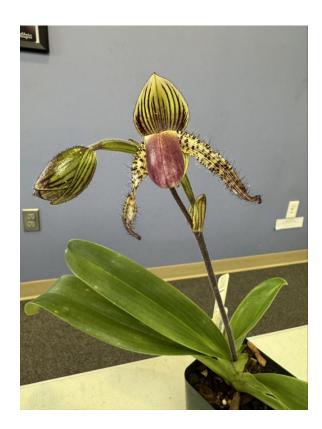


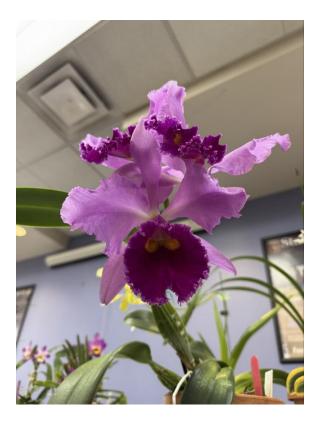


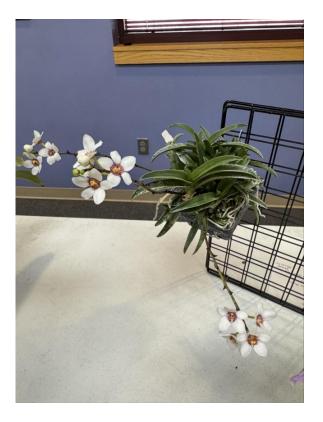


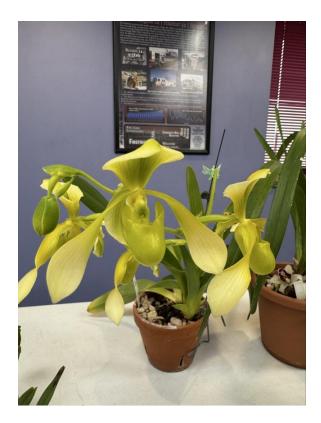




































Colorado Springs Orchid Society April 2025 Show and Tell Plant List

<u>Barbara Pollock</u>	Lc. Irene Finney 'Springs Best' AM/AOS Cymbidium (Cym.) sanderae Paphiopedilum (Paph.) Iowii f. alba x haynaldianum Phalaenopsis (Phal.) unknown?	
<u>Janice Mann</u>	Dendrobium (Den.) FireCracker 'Lucky S Phalaenopsis (Phal.) unknown Den. Love Memory 'Fizz' (nobile hybrid)	
Kaoru Stabnow	Cattleya (C.) schroederae f. alba Paph. (lowii f. alba x haynaldianum)	C. schroederae Phal. Unknown
Terry Bernard	Phal. Long Traen Paph. philippinense ('New Twists' x 'Alford' AM/AOS) Guaranthe (Gur.) skinneri 'Casa Luna' AM/AOS? Rlc. Heaven's Gate 'Crystelle' FCC/AOS	
Barbara VanderSto	ep Masdevallia (Masd.) triangularis	Lockhartia micrantha 'Blanco'
Jenny Holman	Maxillaria tenuifolia 'Coconut Girl'	
<u>Jean Garren</u>	Den. (Nobilis) New Century 'Happiness' Den. Tianmu Eustoma Vanda (V.) ascofinetia	Stelis villosa?
Jack Willcox	Phal. (pink, with spots or dots?)	
Roger Stone	V. Jake Justin C. unknown	Renanthera monachica
Lois Dauelsberg	Paph. Vanguard (rothschildianum 'Borneo' FCC/AOS x glaucophyllum)	