

Camellia Times

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Hi everyone!

Wow, we had a great turnout for our October meeting – even with the unexpected downpour!! Tom Nuccio was impressed so many people came to the meeting. It was so nice to see everyone after our summer break. Our camellia friends are the best! We have lots to do before our 100th in March, so please keep attending our monthly meetings. We will have awesome presenters each month along with updates on our 100th show, sign-up sheets for helping at the show, and sign-up sheets for shirts, hats, totes, etc. (you will find more information on this inside the newsletter). Please take the time to look at these sign-up sheets to let us know where you would like to help at the show. If you work at the show you are able to purchase a cool staff event shirt! We want to have the best show ever come March and we hope these brightly colored staff shirts will help the general public know who to go to for questions and/or assistance.

Linda Kancev will be our speaker this month. She raises bees and is very knowledgeable about them and their different types of honey. She is an excellent speaker and you will learn from her presentation.

Are you noticing our sasanquas blooming? It is camellia time! Please see Don Lesmeister's Camellia Culture article in the newsletter for tips on preparing your blooms for a great camellia season!

If you have Instagram, check out Julie and LuAnn and the Camellia Coffee Roasters. They came to LuAnn's home in October and are coming to my house this month. We dispense a little camellia culture with Ryan and Rob, the owners. They are such fun! If you have some time, go down to their place at 12th and R Streets and have a great cup of coffee, tea, or hot chocolate! They have breakfast sandwiches and pastry, too! Say hi and let them know you are from our society. They have done so much for us, let's do what we can to support them right back!

We are going to have a great year!

Mark your calendar for November 19th and we will see you then!



Julie

REMINDER!!

**NEW LOCATION for
our monthly
meetings**

**SIERRA 2 Center
2791 24th Street
Room 12**

**Sunday, November 19th
2:00 p.m.**

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO 2023-2024 EXECUTIVE BOARD

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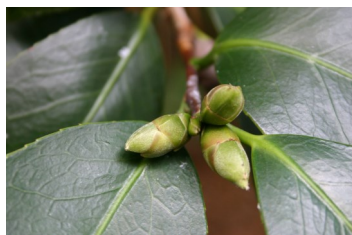
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NOTE: The location for all of our monthly meetings has changed. New location is:

**Sierra 2 Center
2791 24th Street
Room 12
2:00 p.m.**

Parking is available in the lot behind the building.

General Meeting Dates

All meetings are on the following Sundays at 2 p.m.

October 22nd, 2023

November 19th, 2023*

December 17th, 2023*

January 28th 2024

February 25th, 2024

March 17th 2024*

*(a week earlier because of holidays)

LUNCHEON: Sunday, April 28th (Sierra 2)



Sacramento Camellia Show 2024

"Sacramento Celebrates 100 Years"

Order your merchandise now!!



We will continue to have the pre-order lists at our November and December meetings so you will be able to pre-order (and pre-pay) for t-shirts, polo shirts, long sleeved shirts, sweatshirts, baseball caps, tote bags, etc. for our upcoming show. We are very excited to be able to offer so many options at very reasonable prices. If you are interested in any "swag" please make sure you pre-order as we will be raising the prices slightly at the show.

Options available:

- Short sleeve t-shirt in either white or light heather gray with 100th year button print (\$15 each)
- Long sleeve white shirt with button entry that depicts State Capital and camellias (\$20 each)
- Sweatshirts - color choices, design & cost still TBD. We should have more info at Nov. meeting
- Polo shirt in black with embroidered camellia (\$35 each)
- Baseball cap in assorted colors with embroidered camellia (\$20 each)
- Canvas tote bag - choice of two prints that were button entries (\$20 each)
- Camellia pins - paper pins that can be worn on blouses/jackets (over 10 options available) (\$15 each)



November 19th Program - Linda Kancev

We are so excited to have Linda as a presenter this month. She will be sharing her knowledge of bees and also doing a honey tasting.



We will also continue to share updates on the plans for celebrating 100 Years of Camellias at our March 2024 show.

UPCOMING EVENTS

DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER
October 22nd	All About Camellias!	Tom Nuccio
November 19th	All About Bees The different types of honey bees produce	Linda Kancev
December 17th	Gift Exchange and Desserts!	
January 28th	Everything you need to know to enter this year's Sacramento Camellia Show photo contest	Jackie Randall
February 25th	Grafting How to Show Blooms	Justin Bergamini
March 17th	Overview of the 2024 Camellia Show and ice cream social	Julie Vierra and Don Lesmeister
April 28th	Luncheon, Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle, Great Friends, Laughs	Fun for all!

THIS MONTH'S PLANT RAFFLE - Bill Kitagawa

Debutante - Japonica. Light pink, medium, full peony form.

Elegans Splendor - Japonica. Light pink edged white.

Freedom Bell - Hybrid. Bright red, vigorous compact upright growth.

Show Time - Japonica. Pink with yellow anther and light yellow filaments.



Tickets are \$1.00
or
6 for \$5.00

Camellia Culture - Don Lesmeister

Required camellia culture and care makes November one of the busiest months of the year. Some of the projects are:

- ⇒ Apply a low/no nitrogen fertilizer such as 0-10-10 or 2-10-10. This will aid in the bud setting process for your plants.
- ⇒ Where there are two (2) or more buds set on the terminal branches, or buds set down the branch, you should remove one of the buds. This is not as important on miniature & small flowers.
- ⇒ Any seeds your plants have need to be harvested prior to the seed pod opening and the seed falling to the ground. Please see me if you have questions and the American Camellia Society (ACS) fact sheet No. 9 also explains this process.
- ⇒ Ants are placing aphids on your plants for their winter food. This damages both the leaf and flower buds. Use a hand sprayer with any mild spray to kill the aphids.
- ⇒ Now is the time to do any flower "gibbing". Thanksgiving until Christmas is the ideal time. It is suggested you only "gib" a few buds on large plants, but none on smaller one-gallon plants. Also spread this over a few weeks rather than all buds at once.
- ⇒ Your camellia plants are going into dormancy, so now is the perfect time to transplant plants in the ground from one location to another. If you disturb the top (feeder) roots you can apply Vitamin B-1 to reduce the shock.
- ⇒ Remove any dead branches and those branches that will prevent flowers from fully opening.

For more detailed information on any of the above items, you can contact me or any of our board members.

Good Luck!



**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—
2024 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE**

February 17th	Judge's Symposium/Mini-Show St. Andrews Celebration Center 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051
February 24th & 25th	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Meg Melani, camelliasfpcs2021@gmail.com
March 2nd & 3rd	Camellia Society of Sacramento Show Scottish Rite Temple 6151 H Street, Sacramento Contact: Don Lesmeister, 916-742-3443 or Julie Vierra, 916-371-2174
March 9th & 10th	Northern California Camellia Society Show St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051
March 16th & 17th	Camellia Society of Modesto Show Gallo Administration Building, Modesto Contact: TBD
March 23rd	Mini-Show Desco Plaza III 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051

100
YEARS

Calling all amateur photographers!!!

We are excited to announce that our Photo Contest will be returning this year to help celebrate our 100th show! Jackie Randall has been working hard to prepare for the photo contest and will be the guest speaker at our January 28th meeting where she will share more information on the photo entry categories, guidelines and helpful tips. So as your camellias begin to bloom remember to take pictures!!!! The categories will be:

- ◆ Single Camellia - must be a Pink Perfection
- ◆ Camellia(s) in a floral arrangement
- ◆ Camellia(s) with a child, children or pet
- ◆ Patriotic
- ◆ Blast from the Past



Thanksgiving Word Scramble

Unscramble the Thanksgiving words and then use the highlighted letters to form the secret message. You will have to unscramble the message as well.

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Note: The 10th word is a little difficult. If you are unable to figure it out, the letter you need to complete the sentence at the bottom of the scramble is "A". You will need to use all of the letters in the orange boxes and unscramble them to complete the final sentence. Have fun and good luck!

Fun Fact: Camellias were a fashion icon's favorite – the camellia became an emblem to renowned fashion designer Coco Chanel. She used the camellia in the designs of shoes, bags, belts, and jewelry, elevating the flower to icon status by the French fashion house.

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