

Camellia Times

camelliasocietyofsacramento.org



PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We are so glad you joined our fun group of camellia enthusiasts and we can't wait to get to know you better. For those of you who were unable to attend our end of the year luncheon, we hope you can join us at our first meeting of the year on Sunday, October 27th!

We will have your free camellia plant for joining at the meeting!!



Happy Summer Camellia Friends!

I hope you are all staying cool...what a summer we are having! Please watch your camellias and be sure to water them. After the sun goes down, take a spray nozzle and give your camellias a shower. They will thank you!

We are sending you a summer edition of our newsletter to share some news and information about our upcoming year. One is our photo contest, compliments of Jackie Randall's hard work! Check out the rules and be ready to snap photos as soon as camellias begin to bloom! The other is our button contest. More information is on page 5 and a separate document is included in the email with this newsletter. Please enter both if you can!

LuAnn has some great programs in store for us this coming year (see page 4 for a complete list). Remember, we are at a new venue for our regular meetings. We will be at the Land Park Eskaton on Freeport Blvd. If you can carpool with others, that would be great. Parking can be limited in the Eskaton lot, but there will also be parking available on Freeport Blvd. Our new meeting room is wonderful and the people who work there are so gracious and excited to have us use their facility.

Have a great rest of the summer and see you in October! Mark your calendar with our important dates for meetings and our 101st show on March 1st & 2nd, 2025! We are going to be at the Scottish Rite Center again this year. We had so many wonderful reviews of our show, that we are staying for another year.

Stay cool and see you soon!

Julie



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General Meeting Dates for 2024/25
All meetings are on the following Sundays at 2 p.m.

October 27th, 2024

November 17th, 2024*

December 15th, 2024*

January 26th, 2025

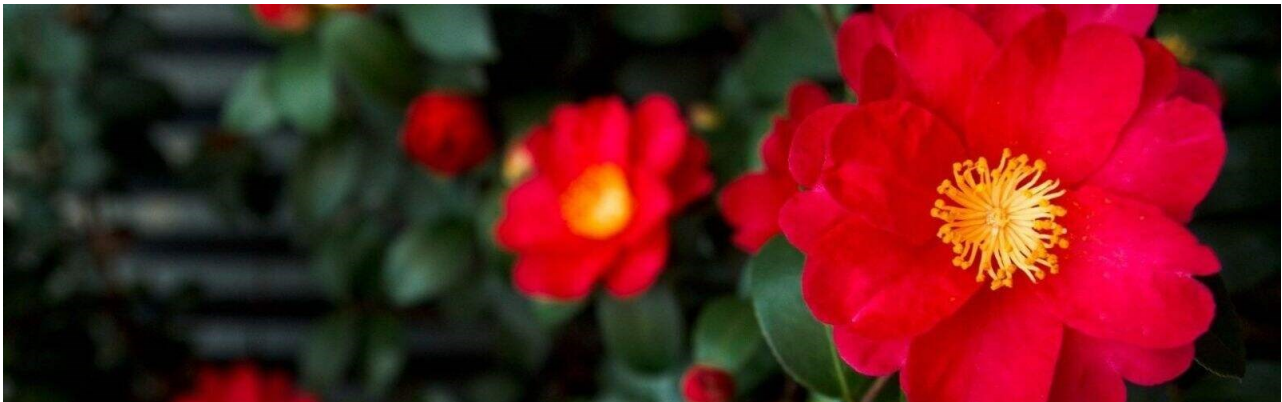
February 23rd, 2025

March 23rd, 2025

*(a week earlier because of holidays)

LUNCHEON: Sunday, April 27th (location TBD)

NEW MEETING LOCATION FOR the 2024/25 year!!
Meetings will be held at Eskaton Land Park
3225 Freeport Blvd, Sacramento



MEMBERSHIP DUES for 2024/25



- \$25 - Regular Membership
- \$30 - Sustaining Membership
- An additional \$5 will be required if you request the newsletter be sent via U.S. mail to cover the cost of printing and postage.

Please send your check to: LuAnn Lantsberger, 2960 Brenda Way, West Sacramento, CA 95691

Thank you for supporting our society!



Tom Nuccio will be out 1st Guest Presenter of the Season!!

Please mark your calendars for Sunday, October 27th for our first regular meeting of the 24/25 Camellia season where we will welcome Tom Nuccio!! Tom's presentations are always informative as he shares his wealth of knowledge on everything camellias (and azaleas too)!! Please plan to attend as in addition to our regular monthly plant sale Tom will be bring some wonderful varieties of camellias and azaleas that will also be available in the raffle.

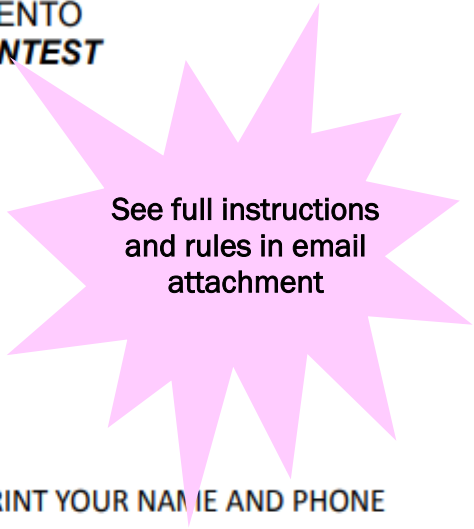
UPCOMING EVENTS



DATE	PROGRAM	SPEAKER
October 27, 2024	All About Camellias!	Tom Nuccio
November 17, 2024	Gardening A to Z and Q&A	Debbie Arrington
December 15, 2024	Gift Exchange and Desserts!	Start show prep with raffle of special camellia prep box
January 26, 2025	Preparing the for Show w/Q&A. From how to prepare blooms while still on the plant to transporting them to the show (and everything in between!!)	Julie Vierra and Don Lesmeister
February 23, 2025	Ecological Gardening	Greg Gayton, Green Acres
March 23, 2025	End of year ice cream social and fancy desserts	Review of show
April 27, 2025	Luncheon, Installation of Officers, Silent Auction, Plant Raffle, Great Friends, Laughs	Fun for all!



**CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO
2024-2025 CAMELLIA BUTTON CONTEST
RULES AND INFORMATION**



See full instructions
and rules in email
attachment

THE BUTTON MUST INCLUDE:

- **CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO**
- **2025**
- **Theme: I ♥ Camellias!**

YOU MAY ENTER NO MORE THAN THREE (3) DRAWINGS. PLEASE PRINT YOUR NAME AND PHONE NUMBER IN PENCIL ON THE BACK OF THE DRAWING.

THE BUTTON MUST HAVE A MINIMUM OF ONE CAMELLIA BLOOM PICTURED. CAMELLIAS COME IN WHITE, PINK AND RED, LIGHT PINK TO DARK RED, INCLUDING COMBINATIONS OF ANY TWO OF THE COLORS, PINK, RED OR WHITE. THERE ARE A FEW THAT ARE A PALE YELLOW. THE CAMELLIA(S) SHOULD HAVE LEAF/LEAVES ATTACHED. (See website for some pictures)

THE FINAL BUTTON SIZE WILL BE 1-3/4 INCHES IN DIAMETER.

YOU MAY USE AS MANY COLORS AS YOU LIKE, BUT THE SIMPLER THE BETTER, AS THE BUTTON IS VERY SMALL. THE CLEANER THE BUTTON, THE BETTER. BE CREATIVE!

FINAL DRAWINGS TO BE DONE ON **8-1/2 X 11 INCH** BOND PAPER OR ART PAPER. WE NEED THE ORIGINAL COLORED DRAWING. (See attachment)

DEADLINE – SEPTEMBER 30TH

A \$100 PRIZE WILL BE AWARDED TO THE FIRST PLACE WINNER (ALONG WITH A FEW BUTTONS FOR YOURSELF). THE WINNER WILL GET PROGRAM RECOGNITION WITH THE BUTTON DESIGN BEING DISPLAYED ON THE CAMELLIA PROGRAM AND THE BUTTON BEING SOLD TO THE PUBLIC.

*THIS BUTTON WILL BE USED IN CONJUNCTION WITH OUR ANNUAL CAMELLIA SHOW TO BE HELD AT THE SCOTTISH RITE CENTER, 6151 H STREET, SACRAMENTO. **THE SACRAMENTO CAMELLIA SOCIETY WILL HAVE PROPRIETARY RIGHTS TO THE ARTWORK OF THE WINNER.***

THANK YOU AND GOOD LUCK!

CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO

QUESTIONS, PLEASE CALL **JULIE VIERRA AT 916-371-2174** or email: j4sfgiants@sbcglobal.net

CHECK OUT OUR WEBSITE AT: camelliasocietyofsacramento.org

**UPCOMING SHOW DATES—
2025 NORTHERN CALIFORNIA SHOW SCHEDULE**

February 15th	Mini-Show Desco Plaza III 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051
February 22nd & 23rd	San Francisco Peninsula Camellia Society Show CAB Community Activities Building, 1400 Roosevelt Avenue, Redwood City Contact: Meg Melani, camelliasfpcs2021@gmail.com
March 1st & 2nd	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 8th	Mini-Show Desco Plaza III 3675 Mt. Diablo Blvd, Lafayette Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051
March 15th & 16th	Camellia Society of Modesto Show Location TBD, Modesto Contact: Cindy Cook
March 22nd & 23rd	Northern California Camellia Society Show St. Andrews Celebration Center, 1601 Mary Drive, Pleasant Hill Contact: Justin Bergamini, 707-637-7051



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*Also, in the evening once the
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CAMELLIA PHOTO CONTEST
CAMELLIA SOCIETY OF SACRAMENTO
MARCH 1ST, 2025

FIVE photo sections. Camellia(s) must be in each photo.

- Section #1.** Single RED Camellia
- Section #2.** Camellias with a child/children
- Section #3.** Camellias with pet/pets, animals
- Section #4.** Camellias used in landscape
- Section #5.** Humorous – no animals or children



RULES:

1. Contestants must be **Amateur photographers**. The public is invited.
2. Contestants may enter in **any or all 5 categories**. **Please**, only one entry per household in each category. **Please do not use photos previously entered.**
3. All entries must be **8 x 10**, vertical, or horizontal, and displayed in a **11 x 14 black mat**. (Mats available at art stores - Michael's, Hobby Lobby, Staples, or online.)
4. Entries must have the photographer's name, address, and phone number on the **back** of each photo mat. It should not be visible from the front.
5. In addition, contestants need to fill a **Camellia entry card** to submit with each photo. These are completed the same way as if you were entering a bloom. Example, Front of card: Section No. 1 , Variety Red Camellia. Inside of card need only be the exhibitor's name & address in both places.
6. All photos, with completed entry cards, should be placed in the correct photo section by **10:00 am, Saturday, March 1st, 2025**. Photos will be returned.
7. Photos will be judged on the overall quality of the composition with emphasis on the Camellia bloom(s).
8. Ribbons and trophies will be awarded to winners in each division.

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