

## The 2025 Kunia Orchid Show & Plant Sale

The 67th Kunia Orchid Show and Plant Sale will be held at the Leilehua High School Gymnasium on Friday, March 21<sup>st</sup> and Saturday, 22<sup>nd</sup> this year. The show hours are 9 am to 5 pm on Friday and 9 am to 4 pm on Saturday. The Kunia Orchid Society's event is one of the best flower shows on Oahu. Admission is free and there is plenty of available parking.

The show features local orchid clubs showcasing their very best blooming specimens. Judging will take place the night before the show and awards will be presented to the winners at a ceremony on Friday at 12 noon. Local plant vendors will be selling a selection of live orchid plants at very reasonable prices. Educational sessions are of interest to the beginner orchid enthusiasts as well as the more experienced orchid growers. Sessions at 11:00 am and 1:00 pm both Friday and Saturday will cover general information on growing orchids, including optimum growth factors of water, light and fertilizer applications as well as the best types of orchid media for growing and transplanting.

This year the show will once again feature an Ikebana display thanks to Mrs. Connie Yoshioka and members of her group who enjoy sharing this ancient art form. Ikebana expresses the philosophy of "less is more" by using just a few items in the arrangement while following a basic geometric shape; most often a triangle. Orchids and other flowers are presented in a way that's both beautiful and harmonious.



The ever-popular Kunia Kountry Store will feature a wide variety of plants for home gardens as well as an array of useful gardening supplies. There will also be a selection of homemade baked goods and much more. The sales at various food booths on site will benefit the athletic department of Leilehua High School.

The show is the main fundraiser for the non-profit Kunia Orchid Society. Proceeds support its monthly meetings with growing tips and lectures by guest speakers who share their expertise on orchid culture. New members are always welcomed. More information can be found on the Society's website at **kuniaorchidsociety.org.** 

