



# THE GREATER CINCINNATI ORCHID SOCIETY

## February 2025 Newsletter

### ***February 11 Meeting In-Person at the Scout Building, 10078 Reading Rd***

**6:00 pm Beginner's: "Re-Potting Your Orchid"**

**7:00 pm Bridget Uzar, "Journey of a Seedpod"**

This presentation takes you from why and how you create an orchid seedpod, all the way through growing seedlings in the Carter and Holmes greenhouse. Included are photos and videos of steps taken in the lab and greenhouse. A vibrant speaker, she will speak over interactive Zoom at the Scout Building.

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### **About Our Speaker Bridget Uzar**



We are delighted to bring you Bridget Uzar! She has been responsible for hybridizing with Carter and Holmes Orchids in Newberry SC since 2009. As the chief grower and hybridizer, she oversees greenhouse management and production of award-winning orchids. She also handles company marketing emails, promotional material and social media.

As a second-generation orchid grower, Bridget follows in her father's footsteps at Carter and Holmes. She has been around orchids her whole life, essentially growing up under the benches in an everyday potting and watering capacity.

This esteemed speaker enjoys giving talks to societies and orchid shows. You can find her on social media compiling Carter and Holmes regular email offerings as well as giving talks.

***SHOWTIME SOON WILL BE HERE! The GCOS Yearly Orchid Show will be March 22 and 23, 2025 with Setup on March 21. Click here to sign up to help or bring food:***

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0948AEAC2AA7FFC16-47012969-orchid>

### ***Thank you to GCOS Members Who Renewed for 2025!***

We sincerely thank those who have renewed their Membership for 2025 by purchasing 2-year memberships or by renewing at the end of 2024. Membership fees are a critical contribution to our programming. Also the list of current paid members is used to send out GCOS information including Zoom links for meetings. Although membership is by calendar year, officially ending on December 31, we have included the 2024 members in this email, hoping for renewals at the February in-person meeting. Renewal may be done on the Website or by mail, and Dave or his representative will be ready to accept cash, check or credit card at the in-person meetings. 2025 Membership forms will be available at the meeting and also available on the website. **The first Memberships or Renewals at the Meeting Tuesday will receive a NEW (well, 2024) edition of Orchids Magazine!**

# How Are Your Friends Growing Their Orchids? Visits to Member's Homes and Fieldtrips in 2025

Would you like to see how other members are growing their orchids? A lot can be learned from each other. This year, we will set up "Open Houses" to visit and to explore various setups in members' homes. Our first visit will be an Open House from 1:00-4:00 on April 27 at Shirley Holt's home.



Tolumnia jairak Flyer 'Sahara'  
Photo by Shirley Holt

## Your Assistance is Appreciated

- 1) Everyone has a favorite orchid. We would like to continue to include writeups on members' favorite orchids in our Newsletters. Photos, interesting facts, or stories about your favorite orchid can be sent to [anntsui26@gmail.com](mailto:anntsui26@gmail.com) or to any Board Member.
- 2) Continue to bring finger foods to the meetings held at the Scout Buildings. These snacks have been wonderful!

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