



Flamingo *Gardens*
ORCHID SOCIETY

December 2024

Wishing ALL of you
Happy and Healthy Holidays

From the
FGOS Board of Directors

A very special
THANK YOU
to everyone who
volunteered this past year

Meeting Information

Monday, December 9th, 2024
 FGOS Members' Holiday Dinner
 Doors Open - 7:00 pm

There will be no
 Members' Choice
 Silent Auction
 Newbie Session

Flamingo Gardens Learning Center
 3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
 Davie, FL 33330

Parking is available at the Main
 Entrance Parking Area

Contact Us:
FlamingoGardensOrchidSociety@gmail.com
 Website:
<https://www.flamingogardensorchidsociety.com>

We're having a party to celebrate another successful year! A record number of members have signed up to attend. We'll have more than a full house! This will be a special night, not a regular meeting. We have all the food and drinks covered. Just bring yourself and cash or cards for the raffle. We will have a raffle for the centerpiece orchids and the 50/50 drawing. We also will find out who won the most ribbons for the year and the winner gets a cash award! We will not be bringing in our orchids for members' choice, nor will we have a silent auction.

It would be great for us to welcome others to our tables to make room for all attending and make new friends.

The orchids have been ordered and the final count has been given to the caterer, we're all signed up and ready to party!!!

Thank you again to all who have volunteered this year and to those who will help with the party to set up, get the orchids, make the centerpieces, and so much more! You all contribute to our success as an Orchid Society.

Some raffle orchids we've been thrilled to win....



MEMBERSHIP

Renew now as our fiscal year runs from September 1, 2024 to August 31, 2025.

Official membership is valid upon payment of membership dues.

Renewing member dues are \$30.

New member dues are \$35 which includes a name badge.

- A benefit of membership is the FGOS Holiday Party with your gift of an orchid from the Society. ***Please note that you must be a paid member to attend and receive your gift of an orchid at the holiday party.***

Please print and complete the attached membership form and bring it, along with your check, to the membership table at the next meeting you attend. If you have any questions, reach out to Annette Scardina at annescar@hotmail.com (renewing as well as new members require an application.)

FGOS MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

For November we are pleased to welcome eight new members to the society--Daneale Gomer, Lorraine Hofheinz, Barbara Humphreys, James Koeper, Bonnie Long, Yona McWilliam, Johanna Rieman, Ryan Xu. If you see them at one of our meetings, please take a minute to introduce yourself and make them feel at home.

Annette Scardina, Membership Chair

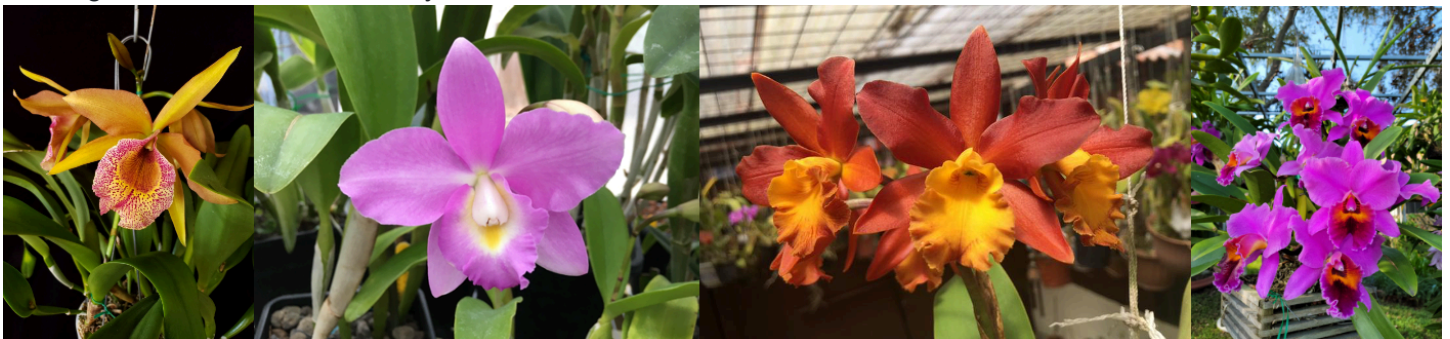
→ WELCOME FGOS NEWBIES! *NO Newbie Session in December

The Newbie group meets before the start of the regular Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Meeting, at 6:45 pm. In our 30-minute session, we discuss a hot topic for orchid growers who are new to the hobby or who are new to the society. Each month's subject of interest provides you with the opportunity to find answers to typical questions that a new orchid grower may have.

SEE YOU IN JANUARY 2025

Join us for the Newbie Sessions - Good fellowship and helpful information await you.

Diane Rogers
Corresponding Secretary on the Board
Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society



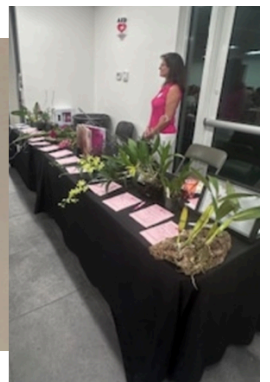
2024 ORCHID EVENTS

DECEMBER 9	Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Presents: Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Holiday Party for members only
JANUARY 10-12	Ft. Lauderdale Orchid Show "Orchid Renaissance" (Friday-Sunday) Charles F. Dodge City Center, 601 City Center Blvd., Pembroke Pines. More information
JANUARY 13	Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society Presents: Dayaneth Lojo Portilla - Ecuagenera - Orchids of Ecuador
JANUARY 17-19	Tamiami International Orchid Festival (Fri-Sun 11am-6pm daily) Miami Dade County Fair Expo Center, 10901 SW 24th St, Miami, FL 33165 More information
CALENDAR OF EVENTS - AOS	Community Orchid Events

Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society 2024-25 Board of Directors and Committee Chairs

Lucy Matos-Lodato	President
Alice Walker	1st Vice President and Program Chairperson
Annette Scardina	2nd Vice President and Membership Chairperson
EJ Laviolette	Recording Secretary
Diane Rogers	Corresponding Secretary, Newbie Group
Theresa DiRocco	Treasurer
Mayra Martinez	Trustee - 2 years, Member's Choice Chairperson
Gail Santini	Trustee - 1 year, Newsletter Editor and Photographer
Melissa Dolton	Trustee - 1 year, Newsletter Committee
Kevin Horgan	Trustee - 1 year, Facebook Administrator
Mary Lathrop	Refreshments Chairperson
Ilene Shatkin	Silent Auction Committee Chairperson
Mike Vaupel	AOS Representative

NOVEMBER MEMBERS' CHOICE AWARDS AND MEETING PHOTOS:





AOS Corner

★ Join the American Orchid Society

- ★ Are you a member of the American Orchid Society? [Click here to join today.](#)

★ AOS Webinars

- ★ Do you want to learn more about your orchids through **Webinars**? Check out the upcoming webinars [here](#). Some are for Members Only, others open to the public. Webinars are recorded so you have access to older ones.

★ Orchidist's Word of the Month from the AOS

- ★ **Neocogniauxia** (nee-oh-kohn-YOH-zee-ah) A genus of two West Indian orchids originally thought to be related to *Laelia*, it was established in 1913 by Schlechter and dedicated to the Belgian botanist Alfred Celestin Cogniaux; it accommodates the species formerly known as *Laelia monophylla* and *L. hexaptera*. *Neocogniauxia* is now known to belong to the Pleurothallidinae.
- ★ If you hear a term during a presentation and don't know the meaning, you can get your answers in this [Orchidist's Glossary](#).