

Flamingo Gardens ORCHID SOCIETY

Affiliated with the American Orchid Society

January 2023

Meeting Information

Monday, January 9th, 2023
Doors open - 7:00 p.m.
Meeting Begins - 7:30 p.m.

Flamingo Gardens
In the LEARNING CENTER
3750 S. Flamingo Rd.
Davie, FL 33330

Parking is available at the Main
Entrance parking area.

- Silent Auction
- Refreshments
- Show and Tell
- Members Choice
- Raffles
- And much more fun

Masks will not be required.

For more information -
FlamingoGardensOrchidSociety@gmail.com

Meet the Speaker: Mack Rivenbark

By Lucy Matos Lodato, V. P. Programs

Mac Rivenbark will be our January 9th guest speaker. He will be speaking to us about one of his favorite subjects "Orchids that Grow Well in South Florida and How to Grow Them" Many of you know Mac as he is a regular orchid vendor and grower at almost all the local shows! His lectures always have growing information for beginners and more experienced growers.

Mac started his business over 20 years ago after fascinating trips to the Philippines with his wife Helen. With extensive study, Mac has become an expert in Philippine and other Asian orchid species and hybrids. Together Mac and Helen grow and bloom over 300 different types of orchids from all over the world. He was president of the Fort Lauderdale Orchid Society and enjoys giving lectures and educating others about orchids. Mac also served our country in the U.S. Marine Corps.



Mac will provide a raffle table and bring some of his beautiful orchids for sale.

Mac's Orchids is located off Sterling Rd at 6800 Appaloosa Trail, Southwest Ranches 33330.

The Newbie Sessions 6:45 PM

The Newbie Sessions are specifically for orchid growers who have less than two years' experience, or for Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society members who have been a part of our group for less than two years. Join us at 6:45 pm on January 9 2023, before the general membership meeting begins, to hear some helpful tips on orchid care. Our January topic is how to plan your orchid collection.

Good fellowship and great information await you at Flamingo Gardens Orchid Society.



President's Message

2023 - Let's do this!

Happy New Year to you all! I hope everyone had a wonderful Holiday Season – good times with family and friends, lots of good food and treats and memories that were made.

Lucy has lined up speakers for 2023 to offer orchid growing information along with their tips and tricks. Kicking the year off with Mac Rivenbark at the next meeting.

Looking forward to another year of FGOS and seeing you all at the meetings. Thank you for your support of the society because without you we wouldn't be here.

Come grow with us!

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News at a Glance

❖ This month's meeting

- Will be held in the Flamingo Gardens LEARNING CENTER!
- Bring your orchids for the Members Choice Awards
- Bring your orchid related (maximum of 5 from each person) for the silent auction

❖ Culture Care

- During the winter season, water and fertilizing will be at a minimum, as will potting. Careful removal of drying sheaths will still allow buds to develop without danger of condensation rot. Take a look at the January - February Checklist for more information.
- Checklist is [HERE](#).

❖ Seasonal Diseases

- Any time the weather is rainy or damp for extended periods, black rot can quickly destroy an entire plant if left unchecked. To learn more, click below.
- Link for Black Rot and other Orchid pests and disease information is [HERE](#).

Win an Orchid! The more things you do, the more tickets you get!

Bring something for the Refreshment Table

Bring a Blooming Orchid for "Show and Tell"

Purchase \$5.00 or more of Raffle Table Tickets

Wear your FGOS Name Badge



Get a Ticket!

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These tickets are only for the "Membership Plant" and cannot be purchased.

Dear WPBJC Affiliated Society Member,

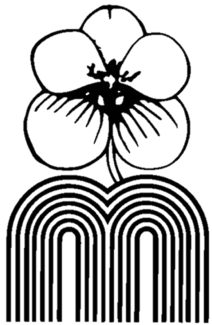
The West Palm Beach Judging Center is planning an auction for Sunday, February 26, 2023 at 1:00 pm to be held at the Learning Center at Flamingo Gardens, Davie Florida. This is a fund-raising event for our center to raise money to cover ongoing expenses for our Judging Center which includes rent, photographer's fees, speaker fees and travel expenses as needed, etc.

As an Affiliated Society Member we are inviting your members to attend this auction and bid on some exciting orchids from some of our judges' private collections, grower donations, orchid books, orchid supplies, memorabilia, etc. to support our Center. We are not subsidized by the American Orchid Society and any funds raised will be restricted to the use by the WPBJC for expenses mentioned above.

We are looking forward to seeing everyone on February 26 at 1:00 pm. Additional information will be sent out closer to the date.

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Jacqueline A. Wood, Chair
West Palm Beach Judging Center

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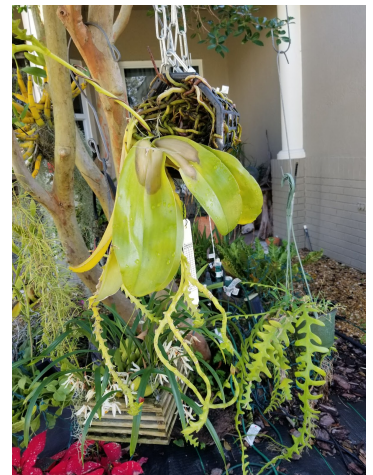


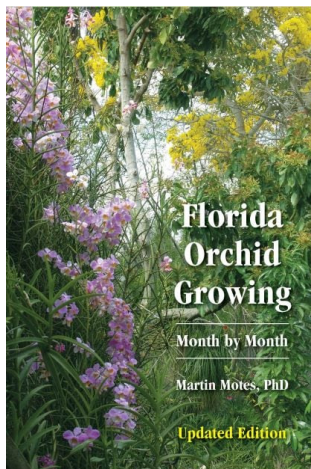
Treating Cold Damaged Orchids

The extreme cold of the last few days may have caused damage to our orchids. The good news is that this damage can sometimes be mitigated and plants can often be saved. Cold damage appears on orchids as whitening of the foliage and stems. The white gradually turns to brown as the affected tissue dies. Often this dead tissue simply dries and the damage is limited to the unsightly patches that are left. Frequently, however, the damaged tissue is infected with bacterial rot which can spread in the plant and cause further damage.

Softening of the edges of the cold damaged areas or oozing of brown fluid indicates bacterial infection. Removal of the leaf or stem is a simple but somewhat drastic solution. If one is loath to lose so much of the plant, the most effective treatment for bacterial infection is treatment with cupric hydroxide (Kocide or Champion) which should if possible be combined in equal parts with mancozeb (Manzate or Dithane M45).

This combination is packaged, pre-mixed as Junction. By adding a small amount of water to the chemicals in a jar, one can make a slurry that can be brushed on the lesions. An old toothbrush is efficient in applying this and your dentist will be happy to have it out of your mouth. Any leftover slurry can be placed on a high shelf (brush and all) and re-hydrated later. This stuff is also the cure for those soft spots that appear on Phal. leaves in summer.





Be cautious when making the slurry not to inhale any of the dust and never, never, dust these chemicals without wearing a mask.

For large collections, with extensive damage, one tablespoon per gallon of cupric hydroxide and mancozeb can be sprayed. Mix the two and wait an hour or more before spraying. Do not apply this mixture to dendrobiums which are hyper-sensitive to copper or to bromeliads (ditto).

Both O.F.E. International and Green Barn Orchid Supplies have the chemicals you need.

For more advice like this, consider getting a copy of Florida Orchid Growing Month by Month to guide you year long in your orchid growing journey:

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We hope you enjoyed the

Holiday Celebration

Click [HERE](#) to see all of the wonderful photos taken by Gail Santini.

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★ **Orchidist's Word of the Month**

- ★ **natural hybrid** (NACH-er-uhl HYE-brid) A hybrid produced in the wild, in contrast to an artificial hybrid produced by man.
- ★ If you hear a term during a presentation and don't know the meaning, you can get your answers in this [Orchidist's Glossary](#).

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The American Orchid Society Judging Program

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