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Calendar

February 20th

GLOS Drop off

February 21st

Set Up

February 22nd – 23rd

GLOS Show – NEW LOCATION

March 13th

MIOS Show Prep

GVOS Board

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Joel Borst

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Our 2025 show was a resounding success. A huge thank you to everyone who participated and volunteered. As of this moment, I do not have the numbers from the show, but I will be sharing those either in the next newsletter or through email as soon as I have them.

This month we will be meeting February 20th at 7pm at the Frederik Meijer Gardens and Sculpture Park. There will be signs marking the way to our meeting room. This meeting we will be doing the pre-registration for the show in Lansing the 22nd and 23rd.

Society News

Annual Dues

It is that time of year again when your annual dues are due. If you have not yet paid your annual membership fee, please do so as soon as possible. These dues, along with whatever we can bring in from our show and annual auction, is what the society uses to bring in guest speakers and other educational programming. To those who have already paid, thank you.

Show Readiness

This cannot be stressed enough. Show season is upon us and there is a lot to do to make sure your orchids are ready.

- 1) Make sure your orchids are 100% pest free. It does not matter how you treat them, organically or not, but make sure you follow the recommended treatment plan for whatever creepy crawly you have. If you do not, you could miss some or one of the lifecycle stages and pass them on to other plants at the show. No one wants to bring home anything other than ribbons and trophies. If a plant is found to have a pest, it will not be placed in the display. Please, do not send pests.
- 2) Remove any dead leaves, old spikes, dried sheaths etcetera. This not only makes the plant presentation better, but also exposes places that bugs like to hide. Please, do not send any pests to meetings or to shows.
- 3) Stake any spikes if necessary for best flower presentation.
- 4) Stake/tie/wire growths for a neat presentation. If you need any assistance or advice on how to do this, do not hesitate to ask any of the show veterans. They would be more than happy to assist and advise you.
- 5) Make sure all pots, both plastic and cache, are labeled with your first and last name. This will ensure everything gets back to you.
- 6) Make sure all boxes/packing materials are labeled with your first and last name. Please include in each box a list of what plants are to be packed in it. This will greatly assist the tear down crew.

FMG Volunteer opportunity

Saturday February 15th 2025 **CANCELED**

Saturday April 12th 2025

Saturday May 3rd 2025

Saturday June 28th 2025

Volunteer shifts start at 9am and end at 3pm.

Wear light clothes and bring sack lunches or plan on eating in the café.

GVOS Show Results

Alliance	Place	Name	Owner
Cattleya - lg Classes 11-27	1	Cat loddigessi 'Aranda'	Olivia Martin
	1	BC Rustic Spots	Kenesha Verbeek
	1	Brassavola Little Stars	Kenesha Verbeek
	1	Laelia anceps	Thomas Lonschied
	2	Epc Rene Marques 'Flame Thrower'	Thomas Lonschied
	2	Brassavola Little Stars	Tom Glover
	2	Epidendrum radicans	AJ Warner
	2	RLC Princes Paua 'Paradise'	Joel Borst
	2	Ctt Panach Amphora	Josh Leonard
	2	C Amethyst Star	Josh Leonard
	2	SLC Fairyland	Paul Ondarko
	3	Cattleya Magairlin	Joel Borst
	3	Brassavola nodosa 4N	Josh Leonard
	3	Epidendrum centropetalum	Quintin Lohman
Cypripedium Classes 28-47	1 & Trophy	Paph villosum 'Chacks Warrior'	Tara Rieberg
	1	Paph Wossner Chinamoon x Liberty Taiwan	Thomas Lonschied
	1	Phrag besseae 'Rocket Town' 4N	Olivia Martin
	2	Paph Snow Festival *AOS AM	Olivia Martin
	2	Paph urbanium x violascens	Jen Selwa
	3	Paph venistum albino	Tara Rieberg
Phalaenopsis - novelty Classed 48-62	1	Phal - NOID - pink no markings	Tom Glover
	1	Phal NOID - white no markings	Tom Glover
	1	Phal Modena	Debbie Smith

	2	Phal schilleriana	Thomas Lonschied
	2	Phalaenopsis Queen Beer 'MB5352'	Olivia Martin
	2	Phal Liolin Wildcat 'Lioulin's Best'	Kenesha Verbeek
	2	Phal NOID	Jen Selwa
	2	Phal NOID	Jen Selwa
	2	Phal NOID - pink with markings	Jen Selwa
	2	Phal NOID - white no markings	Tom Glover
	2	Phal NOID - pink with markings	Tom Glover
	3	Phal NOID - white no markings	Tom Glover
	3	Phal NOID - white no markings	Tom Glover
	3	Phal NOID	Kenesha Verbeek
	3	Phal NOID - mini dark purple	Olivia Martin
Vanda Classes 63-78	2	Vanda miniata	Jill Wood
Oncidium Classes 79-86	1	Oncidium Twinkle 'Fragrance Fantasy'	Olivia Martin
	1	Milt Hajime Ono 'Standing Tall'	Jen Selwa
	1	Beallara hybrid	Paul Ondarko
	3	Oncidium Sharry Baby	Tom Glover
	3	BST Tarantula 'Sweet Orange'	Tara Rieberg
	1	Dendrobium Hibiki	Quintin Lohman
Dendrobium Classes 90-96	1	Dendrobium alliottianum alba	Jill Wood
	3	Dendrobium Jariak Antelope 'Scarlet'	Tara Rieberg
Miscellaneous Classes 97-110	1	Zygo Advance Australia	Jen Selwa
	1	Bulbophyllum cocoinum	Jill Wood
	1	Platystele ortiziana	Jill Wood

	1	<i>Lepanthes regularis</i>	Jill Wood
	2	<i>Maxillaria curtipes</i>	Quintin Lohman
	2	Zga Kiwi Choice x Freestyle Meadows	Kenesha Verbeek
	2	<i>Dracula mopsus</i>	Jill Wood
	2	<i>Bulbophyllum stelis</i>	Jill Wood
	3	Ctsm ivanae ('Aceitunas Negras' x 'Purple Fantasy')	Jessica Dressinga
	3	<i>Maxillaria cucullata</i>	Quintin Lohman
First Bloom Seedlings	1	Ctsm ivanae ('Aceitunas Negras' x 'Purple Fantasy')	Jessica Dressinga
	3	<i>Vanda miniata</i>	Jill Wood
Orchids in Use and Art	1	Let There be Peace	Tara Rieberg
	1 & Trophy	<i>Brassocattleya</i>	Erin Habib
	2	Orchid Tea Time Whimsy Phalaenopsis	Debbie Smith

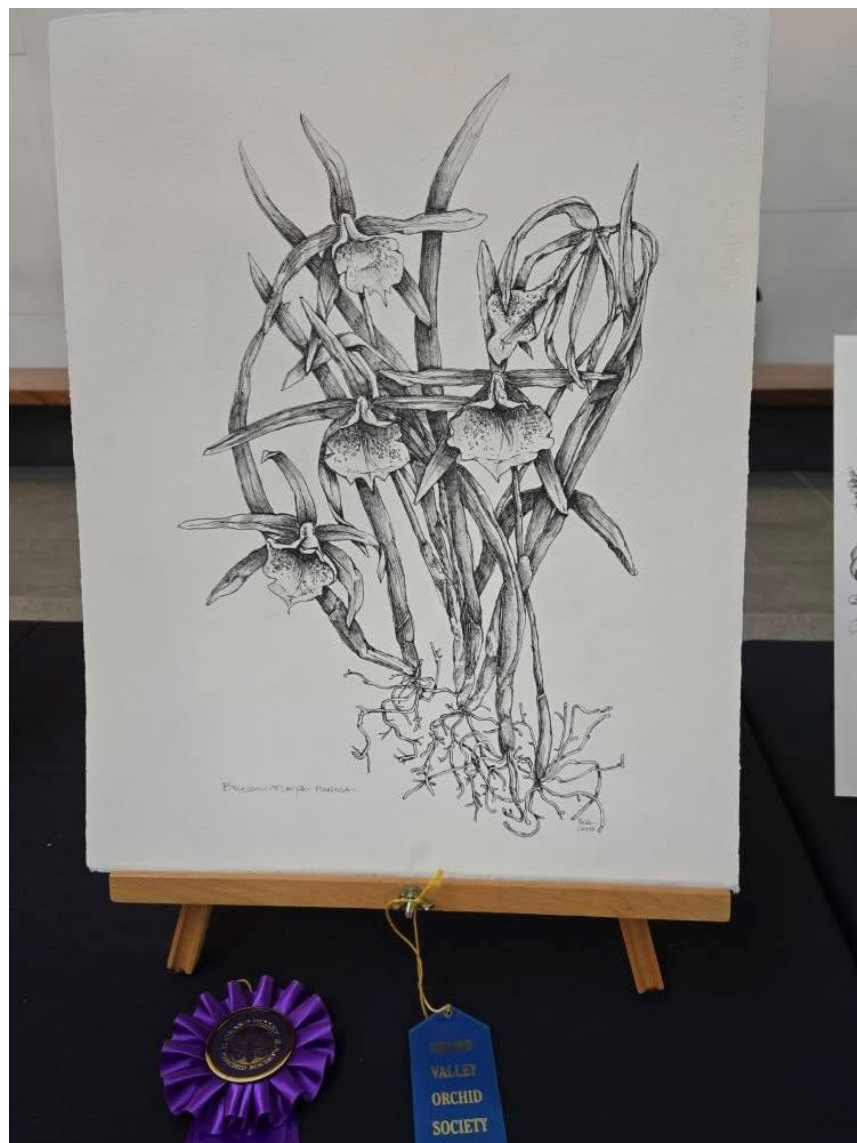


GLOS Show Information

IMPORTANT: We need of both a set up and tear down crew for the show in Lansing. We need at least two volunteers, three or more preferred, for both days. Set up will be Friday February 21st, and tear down will be Sunday February 22nd at 4pm when the show closes.

Location: The show is no longer being held in the soil science building. This year the show is being held at Van Atta's Greenhouse and Flower Shop 9008 Old M-78, Haslett, MI 48840. Currently no information is available about unloading and loading.

Plant Pick Up: Plant pick up after the show will be at our president Joel Borsts' house. The address is 1029 Hoyt St SE Grand Rapids, MI 49507



Upcoming AOS Events

Save the Date!

Join us for this Outstanding Online Event
Mark Your Calendar—Set Your Device Reminder



American Orchid Society
7th CULTURE DAY
Sunday, May 18, 2025
11 a.m.—3:30 p.m. EST

ORCHIDS—From Seed to Success

This Event is Recorded for all Registrants to View at their Leisure

Door Prizes!
Must be online day of event to be eligible

4 Guest Speakers
4 Great Topics

- Orchid Pollination - In Nature and at Your Kitchen Table
- Can I Make My Own Hybrid?
- Trends in Free-Flowering *Brassocattleya* Hybrids
- Easy to Grow and Bloom Hybrids

Online Registration Required—Only \$40

Webinars - Coming Attractions!

REGISTRATION IS EASY www.aos.org/webinars

Cannot make it on the scheduled date and time? No need to worry.
Register now and view on your time schedule.

Send Your Greenhouse Chat Questions and Photos to: greenhousechat@aos.org
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<p>Nov. 10, 2024 Sunday ORCHID CULTURE DAY 11 a.m.—3:30 p.m. EST</p>	<p>Nov. 12, 2024 Tuesday 8:30 pm EST</p>	<p>Nov. 19, 2024 Tuesday 8:30 pm EST</p>
<p>KNOW More November Orchid Culture, Conservation, and You! <i>Virtual Presentation</i> Registration \$40</p>	<p>Topic</p> <p>Citizen Scientists Meet Native Orchids Experience Adaptation to Unique Habitats</p>	<p>Greenhouse Chat Orchid Q & A <i>Send in your Photos and Questions by Nov. 17</i></p>
<p>Experts Share their Orchid Knowledge Time for Q & A Plus Bonus Prizes for Lucky Viewers</p>	<p>Presenter</p> <p>Bob Sprague Past President of Native Orchid Conference</p>	<p>Ron McHatten AOS Chief Education and Science Officer</p>



Webinar announcements are posted to Facebook, Instagram and in the AOS Corner of your Affiliated Society's newsletter.

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JUDGING CENTER DETAILS

The AOS's judging system comprises 27 judging centers. The centers provide opportunities for the public to have plants judged on specified monthly dates. Center activities are open to visitors who wish to see the judging process in operation or bring in plants to be evaluated. Orchid plants can be submitted for judging using the following guidelines:

- All blooming orchid plants or cut flowers submitted at a monthly judging session are candidates for awards.
- Candidates should be entered in the most presentable condition possible.
- Candidates may be entered by the owner in person or by another attendee on his/her behalf.
- The exhibitor or proxy completes a single sheet entry form for each plant entered for judging.
- As an alternative option when it is not possible to bring the blooming plant, the entire flowering inflorescence can be mailed to the contact listed for the judging center.
- If mailing an entry for judging, please contact the center chair first to confirm the mailing address.

The full show schedule for plant registration can be found on the following website

<https://midamericanorchids.org/education>

Additional information on AOS judging can be found on aos.org under the Orchid Awards & Judging tab.

Great Lakes Judging Center

Chair - Dennis Seffernick, 2100 Sherwood Ln, Swanton, OH 43558-9767; (419) 654-1433; Email: dseffernick@msn.com

Morris Lawrence Building, Washtenaw Community College, 4800 East Huron River Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48105 (Room 160)

2/15/25

3/15/25 – Will be at the MOS show

4/19/25

5/17/25

6/21/25

7/19/25

8/16/25

9/20/25

10/18/25

11/15/25

12/20/25

Current Point Standings

Last Name	First Name	Total Points
Rietberg	Tara	166
Selwa	Jen	158
Borst	Joel	144
Wood	Jill	144
Verbeek	Kenesha	142
Myaard	Jen	116
Martin	Olivia	115
Glover	Tom	110
Lohman	Quintin	82
Maczka	Alison	79
Longschied	Thomas	75
Driesenga	Jessica	68
Krenselewski	Justin	66
Leonard	Josh	64
Clemens	Mei Ling	51
Smith	Debbie	51
Habib	Erin	47
Schaafsma	Hannah	40
Ondarko	Paul	40
Olson	Denise	33
DeLano	Dan	31
Griffin	Gordon	30
Smith	Bert & Teresa	24
Loeper	Matt	20
Shipaila	Joan	19
Warner	Archie	17
Ambrose	Jerry	16
Hofer	Rachael	15
VanderVelde	Jade	8
Miller	Kathy	8
Marsh	Gary	5
Madison	David	2
Albin	Brittany	2

GVOS REWARDS

Plant Table

Bring a blooming orchid- 1 point
 Plant of the month – 5 points
 1st place – 5 points
 2nd place – 3 points
 3rd place -2 points

Participation in Meetings

Attend GVOS meeting – 1 point
 Attend another society meeting – 2 points
 Attend away show – 2 points
 Give a presentation – 10 points
 Bring Treats to meeting – 1 point

Participation in Shows

GVOS show participation – 5 points per day
 GVOS Bring food – 3 points
 Plants in any show – 5 points
 Clerking in any show – 5 points
 Set up or Tear down away show – 10 Points
 Attend an away show – 2 points
 Plant pulled for AOS judging – 10 points
 Plant awarded by AOS – 10 points
 Awarded a trophy – 10 points

If you are interested in leading a talk or doing a presentation for one of the meetings, please email the newsletter editor at maczkaal@gmail.com with your topic and the date you would like to do it. She will make sure it is added to the event calendar.

Schedule of Shows

Show	Location	Date	Status
Grand Valley Orchids Society Show and Sale	Frederick Meijer Gardens 1000 East Beltline Ave NE Grand Rapids, 2025	January 25-26	Scheduled
Greater Lansing Orchid Show and Sale	NEW LOCATION Van Attas Greenhouse 9008 Old M-7 Haslett, MI	February 22-23 2025	Scheduled
Ann Arbor Orchid Society	Matthaei Botanical Gardens 1800 N Dixboro Rd, Ann Arbor, MI 48105	November 16 - 17 2024	Scheduled
Michigan Orchid Society Show and Sale	United Plumber Union Hall, 555 Horace Brown Dr, Madison Heights, MI 48071	March 15-16 2025	Scheduled
Saginaw Valley Orchid Show and Sale	Kochville Veterans Hall, 3265 Kochville Rd, Saginaw, MI 48604		
Michiana Orchid Society Show and Sale	Holy Cross College, Notre Dame, IN		