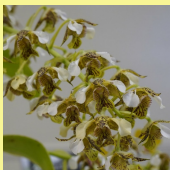
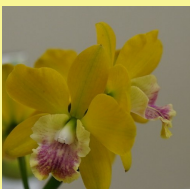
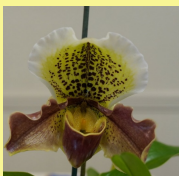




Welcome

Message from Your President

June Meeting Blue Ribbon Winners



Hello DBOS Members,
We are experiencing a lot of rainy days lately that has put a strain on us and our orchids. We must keep on checking for fungus, infections and snails that would affect the health of our orchids. We are also in hurricane season and you should treat your plants with a fungicide after a hurricane, because the storms are known to bring many fungal diseases. So be vigilant. Check out the [American Orchid Society](#) for information on how to control snails, fungus and diseases.



Sip & Paint: We are hosting our 2nd annual "Sip & Paint" get together. It will be held at "Paint with a Twist" (2288 N Congress Ave, Boynton Beach), on Saturday, July, 22nd from 6:00 to 8:00pm. Last year we had a blast and there were quite a few masterpieces. Along with "BYOB" we will be asking this year for participating members to bring a small platter of appetizers or finger food to share. The cost is \$46.00 per person, supplies provided. Hope to see you on this enjoyable evening.

Annual Orchid Show: It's also that time of year to start planning our 33rd Annual Orchid Show on October 21 and 22, 2023. We need you and it's time to get involved and volunteer help run this fabulous Show. It is our biggest fundraiser, which keeps our society moving forward, in order to allocate funds to the rental of our meeting room, our speakers, socializing activities and subsidizing our Bus Trips and Holiday Parties. Please don't hesitate to contact Annette Jackson, Show Chairperson at 561 573-2422, or [e-mail](#) with any questions.

Meeting: We are so excited to have back one of our favorite Orchid Show vendors and friend, Rafael Romero from Plantio la Orquidia. He will share his knowledge of two genuses, Schomburgkia and Myrmecophila. Please bring in an appetizer to share and a blooming orchid for judging. Why not, invite a friend?

Also, at our June meeting, Urban Farm Mart, 13863 S. Military Trail, Delray Beach, donated a stunning orchid arrangement (photo left) for our raffle table. Please support their business.

Board Changes: We welcome Carol-Lynn Daley, Corresponding Secretary and Larry Sisselman, Trustee, to our Board. Larry has extensive knowledge of orchids and will be orchid judge at our meetings. We thank them for volunteering to help our Society as we continue to offer educational meetings, excellent speakers and special events.

We appreciate all our old and new members. This is your Society and we like to hear any suggestions or feedback, you may have, so please contact me or any Board member (see list at the end of this newsletter). We hope you enjoy our meetings and activities.

Happy growing and see you on Wednesday, July 12, 2023 at 7:00 pm.

Chickie Tobias
DBOS President
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Monthly Meeting
Introduction to
Schomburgkia and Myrmecophila

Welcome back to Rafael Romero, an outstanding orchid grower and Manager of Plantio La Qrquidea, one of our expert Orchid Show vendors. He will introduce us to Schomburgkias and Myrmecophila. Do you have these beautiful orchids in your collection?

As background, Rafael graduated as a Biologist from Universidad Simon Bolivar in 1984. He started working with orchids in 1986 with his father in law, Henrique Graf, owner of the largest Orchid Nursery in Venezuela, Plantio la Qrquidea They opened a location in Sarasota, in August 2003. They have a small nursery, where they have established a good sample of the species and hybrids they produce and have been add such as Cattleyas, Brassavolas, Schomburgkias, Vandas and much more. Check out his web site for his beautiful orchids for sale. <https://plantiolaorquidea.com/>

SAVE THE DATE
Sip & Paint
July, 22, 2023

JOIN US FOR A FUN EVENING AND LET YOUR CREATIVE JUICES FLOW

No prior painting experience needed

Sip & Paint

Release your inner Picasso!

on
Saturday, July 22, 2023
From 6:00 to 8:00pm
at
Painting with a Twist
2288 N. Congress Ave., Boynton Beach

\$46.00 Per Person
Payable and mail to:
DBOS,
P.O. Box 6571
Delray Beach, FL 33482

Deadline July 15, 2023

(BYOB and Finger food to share)
(Supplies provided)
Dress for Painting



JULY GROWING
FROM DR MOTES

PROGRESS OF THE SEASON

An exceptionally wet year has spawned an exceptionally wet June. It behooves us to offer our plants every possible protection from disease this year as the rainy season progresses.

Such protective measures always start with good basic culture. In a year like this it is good to remind oneself that it is always best to grow any genus in the brightest light that the plants will easily tolerate.

Plants grown in bright light, dry out more quickly deterring disease but are



also much harder which also confers on them greater disease resistance. Find the brightest spot for each of your plants but also look up to see if any foliage or other obstacle to sunlight can be removed.

It is not too early to think of pruning as a storm precaution but also as fruit trees finish bearing, they can be pruned to make them safer homes for our orchids and more productive next year.

Air movement is also essential to increase drying and prevent disease. Remember air movement increases exponentially with height. Hang your plants as high as possible. Plants on benches will need additional space between them as they grow and specimen plants in particular if not hung need a wide berth from their companions on the bench. Cleanliness is also important. All protoplasm comes from previously existing protoplasm so removing all dead leaves from the growing area removes the inoculum of disease. An ounce of prevention is always worth a pound of cure, so

following the preventive spray program in **Florida Orchid Growing** will spare a good deal of grief.

Finally, the master's shadow is indispensable in disease control. Great growers look at everyone one of their plants every day. The wonderful cool of early morning is the best time to scout. Any problem plant can be removed to a dry location and treated before the onset of the typical afternoon rains.

Snails are flourishing in the extra wetness and have had the opportunity to travel long distances to arrive at our flowers and tender new growth. In fairness to our less assiduous neighbors, many snails are home grown. Properly applied at about one pellet per square foot, snail bait is both safe and effective, but a second application in 10-14 days will be required.

Although the rains can cause problems, those rain clouds have a silver lining in the cooled air that follows the rain. We native Floridians know to relish the phenomenon and enjoy being outside with our plants.

Dr. Motes
Motes Orchids

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Upcoming Events

Veteran's Park Recreation building is located on the west side of the intracoastal waterway on the north side of Atlantic Avenue. Construction is on going to the park, but the drive way is open.

Scheduled Meetings and Events:

July 12, 2023 –Rafael Romero, *Introduction to Schomburgkia and Myrmecophila*

July 22, 2023, Sip & Paint

August 9, 2023 – Tom Kuligowski, "Photographing Orchids, Made Easy"

September 13, 2023 – Pot Luck & Bingo

October 10, 2023- Carol Holdren, AOS Judge

October 21 & 22, 2023, Annual Orchid Show

November 8, 2023 – Scott Peplin

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**WE WANT TO HEAR
FROM YOU**

If you have any suggestions or comments regarding the Society, meetings or this newsletter, please feel free to contact our President, Chickie Tobias at 561 445-5605 or [email](#).

If you have special event in your life or know of a member who is ill, please call our Corresponding Secretary, James Mangan at 561 310-1189 or via [e-mail](#).

Moving? Changed your e-mail or phone number? We don't want to lose contact with you. Please contact our Membership Chair, Scott Santoro at sansansutoro@mac.com

