

MARCH 15-17: CNY FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW**APRIL 7TH: BIENNIAL MOUNTED ORCHID CLINIC**

The Central New York Flower & Garden Show will be held once again this weekend over the St. Patrick's Day Weekend, March 15TH-17TH. Just as in past years, CNYOS will have a booth at the show to provide information about orchids & CNYOS, sell orchids & supplies, and answer questions. This has become one of our largest fund-raising events of the year, allowing us to bring in speakers and pay for other various programs the club schedules for each year. Orchids to be sold by the club have been purchased from Frier's Orchids (Phals, Mini- & Standard Catts, Oncidiums Sharry Baby, Miltoniopsis, and Equitant Oncidiums) and A&P Orchids (Maudiae-type Paphs). All are in bud; CNYOS members will be able to purchase orchids at a discount—those who are helping with the show (manning the booth, set-up, & break-down) will get a larger discount. In addition, the club will also be selling supplies and beginners' books on orchid culture. The volunteer schedule is shown on page 2.

For our April 7TH meeting, CNYOS will have its third biennial mounted orchid clinic, featuring orchids provided by Andy's Orchids of Encinitas, CA. Andy has selected a number of orchids that he will send, along with the all the materials necessary to mount them (moss and cork-slabs or sticks). A list of orchids that will be available for the clinic is provided on Page 3, along with cultural descriptions. The prices are **very** reasonable. In addition, the club will be placing a group order from Andy's—if the order exceeds \$500, there will be a 10% discount (5% discount if the order is under \$500). So, before the April meeting, members need to select what orchids they would like to mount, and any orchids to be purchased as part of the group order. Check out Andy's excellent web site at www.andysorchids.com, or call 1-888-514-2639 and request a catalog. The order will have to be placed during the last week in March, so let Jeff Stuart know what orchids you want for BOTH the clinic and the group order no later than March 28TH (the earlier the better, 471-1404 or jastuart@syr.edu); Jeff will place the order.

ORDERS MUST BE PAID FOR IN ADVANCE!

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Deb Coyle, Dianne Bordoni, and Valerie Introne will be setting up the club's booth & display in the Horticultural Building at the State Fair Grounds on Thursday, March 14TH. CNYOS needs your blooming orchids for the display. If you have plants you'd like to send, call Deb (445-9106) or Dianne (446-3836) and make arrangements to get your blooming beauties to them. Plants can also be dropped off at St. Augustine's Church before Thursday—call Dave Ditz (635-8148) to make arrangements. Orchids should be clearly labeled with your name and phone number (masking tape on the pot works fine); in addition, please label your box (name & phone number) and include a list of all the orchids you're sending. The list will be used to make labels out of black stock for the display. Flower & Garden Show badges will be mailed out to volunteers, along with instructions for parking, etc.

VOLUNTEER SCHEDULE

THURSDAY, MARCH 14TH

Set-Up Deb Coyle, Dianne Bordoni, & Valerie Introne

FRIDAY, MARCH 15TH

2:00^{PM} - 5:30^{PM}

Dave Ditz & Gary Stensland

5:30^{PM} - 9:00^{PM}

Tom & Cheryl Lloyd

SATURDAY, MARCH 16TH

10:00^{AM} - 2:00^{PM}

Donna Coleman & Monica Kot

2:00^{PM} - 6:00^{PM}

Dolores Capella & Iris Cohen

6:00^{PM} - 9:00^{PM}

Deb Coyle & Dianne Bordoni

SUNDAY, MARCH 17TH

10:00^{AM} - 1:00^{PM}

Iris Cohen & Diane DeTore

1:00^{PM} - 5:00^{PM}

Betsey Keck & Judy Daly

Break-Down

Betsey Keck, Judy Daly, & Ken Renno

Laelia gouldiana (Mexico): Extinct in the wild and perhaps the best of the Mexican

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Laelias, swollen cigar-shaped 4" bulbs bear 2 to 3 stiff erect 10" leaves, apical spikes emerge in the fall growing to 30" and carrying up to 10 well-rounded magenta/red 3" blooms that are awesome, lip is violet/red with a red-veined white center and a yellow keel, mildly fragrant, grows as easily as *L. anceps*. **EASY GROWER!** Full Sun to Bright light (slight to moderate midday shading required), Cool to Warm; 40°F min. to 95°F max.(tolerant of extremes,favoring cool); Dry/Moist; 2-3 waterings per week (let dry between waterings). **\$12.00 ea.**

Dendrobium pseudoglomeratum (New Guinea): Beautiful species with 2 ft. canes carrying large clusters of 2" blooms, flowers are hot-pink with a veiled lip ranging in color from golden-yellow to orange. Bright; (very bright indirect light); Intermediate - Warm; (58°F min. - 88°F max.); Moist; 2-3 waterings per week (let dry slightly between waterings). **\$12.00 ea.**

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Dendrobium wassellii (Australia, *Dockrillia wassellii*): An unusual terete-leaved species (4-5" tall) that is often found growing on trees or boulders. Showy 8" plumes of 1" lacy white flowers with a spicy aroma can appear at any time of year. Needs good to bright light and excellent drainage. Bright light (very bright indirect); Intermediate to warm temperatures (58°F-88°F, 50°F min. in winter). Give lots of water and regular weak fertilizer during growth. Keep just moist in winter. **\$10.00 ea.**

Photo ref: http://www.notsogreenthumb.org/galleries/Lookatmine/OrchidHTMLFiles2/den_wassellii.htm

The following orchids will be available from Andy's Orchids for the Mounted Orchid Clinic in April. Make your selections carefully based on your experience and growing conditions. Members are welcome to mount more than one orchid.



Dendrobium rhodostictum (New Guinea): Unique among the section Latouria in that its 8" pseudobulbs are 1/8" thick for the lower two thirds and abruptly thicken to 3/4" at the top with 3-4 lanciolate leaves, the beautifully odd 2 1/2" white flowers with violet venation inside the tubular lip resemble a leaping frog, blooms last up to 4 months. Very bright light, intermediate temperatures (55°F min. to 85°F max.), moist (3-5 waterings per week, let dry between waterings). **\$10.00 ea.**

Dendrobium speciosum v. pedunculatum (Australia): This variety is a magnificent, compact, robust plant, 3" to 5" pseudobulbs topped by 2 or 3 round and leathery 5" leaves, multiple 18" racemes each carry many white spidery 2" flowers on the upper half, purple markings on the white lip, extremely fragrant and an impressive display. Fragrant. **Easy Grower!** Bright light - full sun, intermediate temperatures (55°F min. - 85°F max.), dry (1-2 waterings/week). **\$10.00 ea.**
Photo ref: http://mobot.mobot.org/cgi-bin/search_vast?w3till=MOA-04861_001.jpg



Dendrobium unicum (Thailand): A far out miniature with terrific color, shape and fragrance, 2" to 4" purplish canes topped with numerous bright green 2" deciduous leaves, multiple short three-flowered spikes emerge from the cane nodes, blooms are up to 2" in diameter, sepals and petals are twisted and brilliant tangerine, cream colored lip heavily marked with purple venation is tubular and curls back, **intense peach aroma, easy grower.** Growing Tip: Deciduous, may look dead but probably isn't. Bright indirect light, intermediate temperatures (55°F min. to 85°F max.). Moist; 3-5 waterings per week (let dry lightly between waterings). **\$8.00 ea.**

Epigeneium triflorum v. orientale (Java): A very attractive compact species, quadrangular 1.5" bulbs with a pair of bi-lobed 6" leaves, thin & arching apical spikes reach 12" long carry up to 15 beautiful creamy white long-lasting 2" star-shaped blooms, lip is white with a yellow throat & red markings on the inside, free flowering year round. **EASY GROWER!** Growing Tip: Needs bright light to flower well. Bright (very bright indirect light); Intermediate (55°F - 85°F max.); Moist; 3-5 waterings per week (let dry lightly between waterings). **\$8.00 ea.**



Bulbophyllum antenniferum (Celebes Islands): A very beautiful and odd species closely allied to *B. grandiflorum*, 1" bulbs are closely spaced on a creeping rhizome topped with a single 5" leathery spatulate leaf, numerous 4" long basal flower spikes each carrying a single 2 1/2" attractive bloom; the hooded dorsal sepal is an iridescent white turning to pink with translucent basal windows, forward pointing lateral sepals are white, with tiny thread like petals with tear-drop tips, & a rocking pink lip. Shade to bright light (indirect light, pronounced shadowing), intermediate to warm temperatures (58°F min. to 88°F max.). Moist; 2-3 waterings per week (let dry slightly between waterings). **\$12.00 ea.**

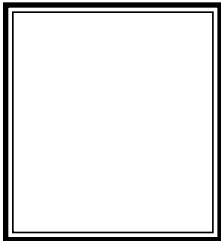
Epidendrum arbusculum (Mexico): An upright branching growth habit with thick fleshy roots anchoring 15" canes that branch apically and basally, 3 to 5 leathery dark green oval 4" leaves are clustered at the summit of each branch, pendulous spikes emerge atop maturing branches producing an impressive cylindrical head of 1" blooms, sepals and petals are shiny rust red, thick fleshy cream-colored tri-lobe lip with deep red marks, **easy grower.** Bright to Full Sun (midday shade required); Cool to Warm; 40°F min. to 95°F max. (tolerant of extremes, favoring cool); Easy Grower; Moist; 3-5 waterings per week (let dry lightly between waterings). **\$10.00 ea.**



April Meetings: Third Biennial Mounted Orchid Clinic!



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The Central New York Orchid Society meets at St. Augustine's Church, 7333 O'Brien Rd, Baldwinsville, at 2:00^{PM} on the first Sunday of each month from September through June. Yearly dues are \$15.00 per individual, or \$17.00 family. Dues should be paid to the CNYOS Treasurer, Elinor Burton.

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