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MALIHINI MEMBERSHIP MEETING
December 13, 2024

OUR NEW LOCATION

1005 Avenue
Santa Clara, California
(between the Santa Clara Police Department &
Santa Clara University)

SETUP STARTS AT 7PM, MEETING AT 7:30PM

SPEAKER

Dave Sorokowsky of Paph Paradise

We will have the **speaker first** instead of Malihini business/
information because Dave wants to arrive home before
midnight. So don't be late or you will miss his talk.

**TOPIC: Don't Fear the Slippers - A Guide to Successful
Paph Culture**

Don't Fear the Slippers is an in depth review of how to grow
Paphiopedilum (Paph.), covering easy, beginners plants all
the way through the most challenging species. There are tips
for novice and seasoned growers alike.

OPPORTUNITY PLANT TABLE:

Dave Sorokowsky of Paph Paradise will provide the plant
table with a variety of orchids

SPEAKER BIO:

After receiving his degree in biochemistry from the
University of Toronto, Dave opted to step outside his
chosen field and operated a tropical fish import business
for eight years. Upon returning to school, Dave received a
degree in enology and viticulture from Brock University in
St. Catharines, Ontario. While attending Brock, Dave began
acquiring orchids one 2" pot at a time. Before he graduated,
Dave had over 100 orchids. Winemaking and a passion for



orchids, prompted Dave to seek a warmer climate in California about one year later.

Dave has been growing Paphiopedilums for about 20 years and seriously hybridizing for over 10 years. He is an accredited AOS judge and his Paphiopedilums have received over 100 awards to date from the AOS and CSA. Many of those awarded plants playing important roles in his breeding program. In 2018, Dave left winemaking in order to focus all of his time running Paph Paradise Orchids.

If you wish to pre-order:

Go to **paphparadise.com** to see what is available. The complex hybrid is recommended for beginners.

Contact Dave at **paphparadise@gmail.com**. Label your subject as Malihini pre-orders (indicate if you are a member or not)



THE PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE

Wow! Just, wow! I have to admit that I was worried that there might not be enough people at the meeting or there might not be enough snacks. Boy was I wrong!!

We had 23 people at our first meeting, eight new members joined and paid dues and there was enough food to feed an army! Thank you to everyone who came and to all those that brought food.

Angelic gave a talk on scented orchids pointing out the wide variety of fragrances available from a plant that many people don't think has a scent at all.

We wrapped it all up with a great raffle table supplied by Angelic. Just a reminder, at the December meeting will have elections! We've had the same officers for some time now. Maybe now is the time for you to step up and pitch in... At least think about it won't you?

Bill Weaver



ELECTIONS

Malihini Orchid Society Elections at December Meeting

Yes it's that time of the year again!

We will have nominations and voting during our December meeting. The following positions are open: President, Vice President, Treasurer, Directors, Ways and Means, Opportunity Table, Secretary, Membership Chair, Orchid Show & Sale Chair

MEMBERSHIP

There are many benefits in becoming a Malihini Orchid Society member:

- Learn about the various genera of orchids
- Learn the culture and cultivation of orchids
- Monthly newsletter
- Monthly orchid speaker(s)
- Opportunity to buy orchids from speaker's website without the shipping fee (speaker comes to give talk)
- Opportunity to acquire orchids through monthly meetings
- Show off your orchids during Show & Tell portion of our monthly meetings
- Connect with people with similar interest
- Ask questions about what ails your orchid
- Participate in our yearly orchid show & sale
- Holiday dinner, where we give each member who attends an orchid

Starting from January 2025, the membership fee will be \$20/year.

If you have any questions, you can contact **Gurmeet Kaur, the Membership Chair**, at our meetings.

Visit **malihini.org/membership**

CLICK on Membership form, PRINT form, fill in the blanks

Bring membership form to meeting

Email: malihini.society@gmail.com

for any questions about membership or Malihini Orchid Society

Join us at

<https://www.facebook.com/ORCHIDinSANJOSE/>

SHOW AND TELL PLANTS:

Join us and show off by bringing your orchids in bloom and share your experience with us. You will receive 1 opportunity plant ticket and can win another orchid.



REFRESHMENT:

Members who bring refreshments to a meeting receive 1 opportunity plant ticket. Contact the Refreshment Chairperson at the meeting to receive your tickets.

MEMBER SALE PLANT

All members have the opportunity to sell plants from their personal collections at regular meetings. Members sell directly to the buyers. Sellers are responsible for paying sales taxes to the state of California.

NAME TAGS (BADGES)

You will receive a name tag after you become MOS member.

SOCIAL MEDIA:

Join our social media team to promote our Malihini Orchid Society, membership, show, take photos, posting, answer questions from the followers...

NEWSLETTER DEADLINE

Please submit your article, show flyers, open house or other info... to our newsletter editor: Angelic@orchidesign.com **before the 20th** of the month. We will post it for you.

NEWSLETTER EDITOR NEEDED

If you have a little knowledge about orchids and page layout, you can help create a beautiful newsletter. All of information will send to you by the deadline. Please contact Angelic Nguyen if you love to share your talent: services@orchidesign.com





MOS 2024 OFFICERS

President - Bill Weaver
Vice President - Yuko Ohe
Treasurer - John Humphrey
Directors at Large -
Ways and Means -
Opportunity Table - Liz Gehrig
Secretary -
Membership Chair - Yuko Ohe
Newsletter Editor - Angelic Nguyen
Web master - Fred Cox & Amy Ohe
Orchid Show/Sale Chair -

UP COMING EVENTS

• January 25–26, 2025

San Diego – Orchids In The Park Fall Show & Sale

Balboa Park's – Casa Del Prado, Room 101, San Diego, California.
Information at: <https://sdorchids.com/our-shows/>

• February 27, 28 –March 2, 2025

“Orchids in the Clouds” - The 72nd Annual Pacific Orchid Exposition will be at the San Francisco County Fair Building in Golden Gate Park- San Francisco, California

Discounted advance sale tickets will be available in December
<https://www.orchidsanfrancisco.org/events.html>

• March 7–9, 2025

“Exotic Garden” – The 77th annual Santa Barbara International Orchid Show in beautiful Santa Barbara, California!

<https://sborchidshow.com/tickets-2025/>

77th Santa Barbara International
INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW

EXOTIC GARDENS

March 7th–9th, 2025 • 9AM–5PM
EARL WARREN SHOWGROUNDS

