# Massachusetts Orchid Society



June: Brandt Moran

Topic: Laelia purpurata

Brandt Moran, MOS member and master orchid grower, will speak about Laelia purpurata.





# **MOS Annual Picnic: June 28**

Marcia and Bob Richter have once again been so kind to open their home for our annual picnic. Join us for a barbecue and potluck lunch and explore the Richters' beautiful greenhouse filled with thousands of orchids.

Location:

283 Elm St, North Reading, MA Date & Time: Sat June 28, 12:30pm

The MOS will provide drinks, hot dogs, and hamburgers. Please RSVP by Saturday, June 21st so we know how much food to purchase.

The rest of the food is up to you! Suggested potluck dishes (by first letter of last name) are:

A-F Salads

**G-L** Desserts

M-Z Appetizers / Chips & Dip

Please note: To give our grill masters time to enjoy the event, the grill will run from 1 p.m. - 2 p.m.

Spouses, significant others and orchid friends are welcome!

# July Speaker: Brian Leib, Pests and Diseases





# 2013-2015 membership dues are due July 1st.

Please see page 2 for renewal information.

# **Upcoming MOS Events**

### June 10 -

MOS Monthly Meeting Speaker: Brandt Moran Topic: Laelia purpurata

### June 28 -

MOS Picnic Home of Bob & Marcia Richter

# July 8 -

MOS Monthly Meeting Speaker: Brian Leib Topic: Pests and Diseases



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Show table photos by Brigitte Fortin

# Membership

2014-2015 membership dues are due July 1st.

# Have membership questions?

E-mail our membership chair: adrienne@massorchid.org

### Membership dues:

individual membership - \$25, dual - \$30

### Renew online:

http://massorchid.org/Sys/ MembershipRenewal

**Renew by mail**: Please mail a check made out to Massachusetts Orchid Society to: Massachusetts Orchid Society, PO Box 550141, Waltham, MA 02455



Nervilia plicata

# Orchid of the Month: Nervilia plicata

The name Nervilia refers to prominent veins that are visible on the leaves. This genus consists of around sixty-five sympodials. All the species are terrestrials found growing in low to upper elevation of forest floors, grasslands etc. The plants are generally small and the leaves are usually heart-shaped and not present while flowering.

Plant: Nervilia plicata has hairy blade leaf and like many other Nervilias the leaf can be seen once the flowering completes. The Nervilia plicata leaf can be observed tightly, flatly spread over the forest floor. The leaf is heart-shaped and usually of dark purplish in color or dark green with irregularly mottled with purplish-brown and few centimeters wide!

Flowers: Flowering usually starts towards the end of the summer in the Western

Ghats. First few rains of the rainy season might be whats triggering the flowering of the species.

Habitat: Nervilia plicata is usually found in forest floors of mid-elevation forests which receive good amount rain fall. It is also observed that the place where it's found has good amount of leaf litter as well.

As the species goes dormant for the rest of the period, it is hard to find and to care for. Though the species does have attractive foliage and flowers it is not popular in cultivation. This could be due to its dormancy period where much care is required to not to let the tubers die, which poses a challenge even to an experienced grower.

Original article:

http://www.toskar.org/nervilia-plicata



Join us for the 4th Annual:

# INTERNATIONAL PHALAENOPSIS ALLIANCE

"FOCUS ON PHALS" DAY

Co-hosted by the New Hampshire Orchid Society Saturday, September 13, 2014 Bedford Old Town Hall, 3 Meetinghouse Road, Bedford, NH

In conjunction with the monthly New Hampshire Orchid Society meeting, IPA is pleased to present its 4<sup>th</sup> Annual Speakers' Day, "Focus on Phals." This day-long event will include our keynote speaker, Norman Fang of Norman's Orchids, presenting Part II of Moss Culture. Joining him will be Mike Mims of North Carolina, a cutting-edge young US hybridizer. His presentation will focus on today's novelty breeding with an emphasis on fragrant hybrids. Carri Raven-Riemann of the orchidPhile, Past IPA President & current Regional Director, will update us on some of the newest directions in breeding from the Taiwan 2014 TIOS Show & some new young forward-thinking hybridizers.

The day will also include reviewing the traditional New Hampshire OS show table, a roundtable discussion and a miniauction of select plants. The Registration Fee of \$15 for non-NHOS members covers just the cost of morning refreshments and a light lunch. We invite all orchidists, IPA members & non-members alike, to join us for this very special Speakers' Day. Guest vendors will include: Norman's Orchids, the orchidPhile and Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies.

### PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

8:30 - 9:15 am	Morning Refreshments & Sales Tables Open
9:30 - 10:15 am	Mike Mims: A Colorful Vision for Fragrant Phalaenopsis: Hybridizing at Home
10:30 - 11:15 am	Carri Raven-Riemann: Beyond the Ordinary: Brilliant New Directions
11:15 - 11:45 am	Mini Auction (to raise funds for future meetings)
11:45 - 12:45 pm	Lunch Break & Sales Tables Open
12:45 - 1:30 pm	Review of the Show Table
1:30 - 2:15 pm	Norman Fang: Part II – Success with Moss Culture
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Roundtable Discussion with the Speakers

\*\*\* PLEASE NOTE: EARLY & FULLY PAID REGISTRATIONS BY AUGUST 30th ARE REQUIRED! Registrations for non-NHOS members must be received & paid for by August 30th, mailed to Marilyn Shapiro: This assures that we will have enough food & chairs to accommodate all attendees

## For further information contact:

New England Regional Director: Carri Raven-Riemann at orchidphile@optimum.net or (203) 329-7255 Additional information will also be available on the IPA website (www.phal.org)

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NON-NHOS MEN	IBERS' REGISTRATION FORM: Must be recei IPA/NHOS "Focus on Phals" for Saturday, Se	ved <u>no later</u> than August 30		
NAME(S):		TELEPHONE:		
ADDRESS:	CITY:	STATE: Z	IP:	
E-MAIL:	HOME ORCHID SOCIETY:			
E	Enclosed is my check for registration(s) at	\$15 each		
Send form with check, F 10128	Payable to IPA, to: IPA, c/o Marilyn Shapiro, 235	5 East 87 <sup>th</sup> Street, Apt 5L, New	/ York, NY	

### For Vendor Pre-Orders - Please mention "IPA Regional Pre-Order" in subject line:

OrchidPhile: orchidphile@optimum.net - or - www.facebook.com/orchidphile

Norman's Orchids: www.orchids.com

Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies: www.kkorchid.com

# **May Show Table**

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Plant	Owner
Maxillaria coccinea J&C	Jaroslaw Luciw
Tolumnia Popoki 'Mitzi'	Jaroslaw Luciw
Masdevallia edwaldii	Linda Abrams
Phal. Tying Shin Phoenix x Carribean Sunset	Adrienne Giovino
Neostylis Pinky	Jaroslaw Luciw
Paph. Janet Kunkle	Joan Gitlin
Paph. Henrietta Fujiwara	Joan Gitlin
Paph. Deperle	Joel Shelkrot
Phrag. Longifolium x d'Alessandroi	Jaroslaw Luciw
Laelia purpurata	Brandt Moran
Laelia purpurata	Brandt Mmoran
Laelia purpurata v. carnea	Bob Richter
Laelia purpurata Halceon #2	Bob Richter
Laelia milleri	Ralph & Chieko Collins
C. Brabantiae 'Susan Fender' x Lc. Aloha	Brigitte Fortin
Psychopsis Kalihi alba 'Green Valley'	Brenley McIntosh
Dendrobiium tosaense	Ralph & Chieko Collins
Tolumnia henekenii	Sasha Crotty
Tolumnia jamaiciense	Jaroslaw Luciw
Masd. Red Lion	Joe Rajunas
Ponerorchis graminifolia	Ralph & Chieko Collins
Ascocentrum christensonianum	Joan Gitlin
Sedirea japonica	Linda Abrams

In order to get our meetings started by 7:30, we kindly request that show table plants be ready for judging by **7:15pm**.











# 2014-2015 Proposed MOS Board Slate

Elections to be held at June meeting.

President – Adrienne Giovino

VP – Sasha Crotty

Secretary –

Treasurer – Jody Maggio

Director – Brigitte Fortin

Director – Joe Rajunas

Director – Leslie Buchanan

Director – Linda Abrams

Director – Joan Gitlin

If you would be interested in joining the board please let us know!

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# **Hospitality**

Bring a snack to the meeting. Not only will you be everyone's favorite orchid grower, but you get an extra raffle ticket to boot!



# **J&L Orchids Annual Summer Sale**

We are now gearing up for our ANNUAL SUMMER SALE which begins on **June 27th and runs through July 6th**. All J&L plants will be discounted by 15 percent and we will have a special bargain bench of great deals for the entire 10 days of the sale. We have been dividing many of our select stock plants and will have a tempting selection of these plants available during the sale.

The first three days, June 27, 28, and 29 we will host two quest vendors, Carri Raven-Reiman of The Orchidphile, and Lauris Rose of Cal-Orchid. They will each bring a beautiful selection of their speciality orchids and share their wisdom on how to grow them. Sunday June 29th will be Workshop Day beginning with a Repotting Clinic sponsored by the Connecticut Orchid Society from 10 am to 1 pm. Carri will follow with a talk about Phalaenopsis Culture and Lauris will wind things up with her workshop on West Coast Orchids for East Coast Growers. This is a super opportunity to buy some great orchids and learn the tricks of the trade from those who grow them. Of course, we will have our free fried chicken lunch thoughout the first weekend. We really hope you can make it.

www.jlorchids.com

# **NHOS Montreal Trip**

NH Orchid Society will be taking a bus trip to Montreal Botanical Gardens and the Montreal International Orchid show on **Sat.**, **October 18 and Returning on the 19th**.

The cost of the trip for non-NHOS members is \$200 for 2 people sharing room. One non-member in a private room is \$155. Price includes bus, hotel, and entry into both events.

Bus seating and rooms are limited so please contact Steve Smyrychynski at <a href="mailto:steves@nhorchids.org">steves@nhorchids.org</a> to reserve your spot.

# A \$50.00 deposit is needed by June 14 to reserve space:

Pay online: <a href="http://nhorchids.org/event-903857">http://nhorchids.org/event-903857</a> Pay by check: To NHOS, PO Box 5375, Manchester, NH 03108

Departure location: Bedford, NH Departure & Arrival Times: TBD

Please note you will need a valid US passport to enter Canada.

# **Upcoming Events**

Date & Time	Event	Location
Tue, June 10, 7:30pm	MOS Monthly Meeting Speaker: Brandt Moran	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA
Sat, June 28, 12:30pm	MOS Picnic (see page 1 for more info)	Home of Bob & Marcia Richter North Reading, MA
Sat, July 5, 10:30am	Monthly Regional AOS Judging	Tower Hill Botanic Garden 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA
Tue, July 8, 7:30pm	MOS Monthly Meeting Speaker: Brian Leib	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA
Sat, August 2, 10:30am	Monthly Regional AOS Judging	Tower Hill Botanic Garden 11 French Drive, Boylston, MA
Tue, August 12, 7:30pm	MOS Monthly Meeting www.pipingrockorchids.com	Winchester Sons of Italy 117 Swanton St, Winchester MA



