

Massachusetts Orchid Society

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New England Orchid Fest

The Amherst Orchid Society is pleased to present the 2nd Annual New England Summer Orchid Fest at Smith Vocational & Agricultural High School in Northampton, MA.

Please see the attached flyer for the full address, directions, dates & times, and a list of vendors. Feel free to visit <http://www.amherstorchidsociety.org> for more information.

MOS Annual Picnic

The annual picnic is nearly here! Marcia & Bob Richter have once again been gracious enough to open their home to host the picnic. Join us for a barbeque and potluck lunch. Be sure to explore the Richter's beautiful greenhouse filled with thousands of orchids. Spouses, significant others and orchid friends are welcome!

The picnic is on Sunday, June 25 from 12:30 – 3:30pm. (The grill will run from 1-2pm, however, so that the grill-masters have time to enjoy the event also.) MOS will provide drinks, hot dogs, and hamburgers, but the rest of the food is up to you! Suggested dishes:



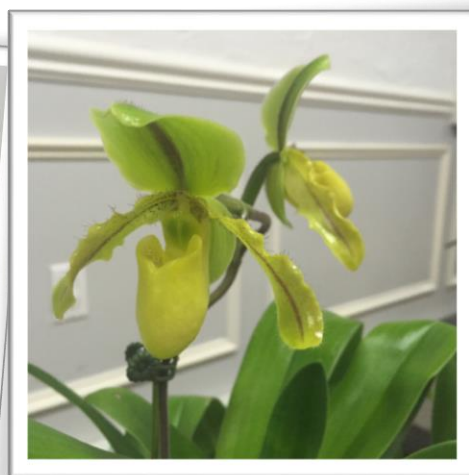
A-F Desserts
G-L Salad
M-Z Appetizers/ Chips & Dip

Please RSVP by Saturday, June 16 so that we know how much food to buy. Look for an Evite (an electronic invitation) in your inbox. If you don't receive one, please RSVP to sasha@massorchid.org.

For more information—including directions to the Richter's—visit the [MOS webpage about the picnic](#).

Show table results for May

Exhibitor's Name	Plant Name	Lights/ Windowsill/ Greenhouse	Warm/ Cool/inter
Jaroslaw Luciw	Ascf. Cherry Blossom 'Carmela'	G	
	Ascocentrum Garayi	G	
Ralph Di Fonzo	Phal. Blake	W	I
Jim Spall	Phal. Lioulin Sparrow 'Taida Little Panda'	W	W
Brigitte Fortin	Psychopsis Mendenhall 'Hildo' HCC/AOS	L	I
Betsy	Cadetia taylorii	W	L
Mike Badia	Paph. Avalon Druid	L	I
	Polystachys paniculata x sib	L	I



From left to right, Ascocentrum Cherry Blossom 'Carmela', Ascocentrum garayii, & Paph. Avalon Druid from the show table in May.

Thanks everyone for your beautiful plants!

Photos courtesy of Brigitte Fortin

Bring That Orchid to the Meeting

Our By-Laws specify that our purpose is to educate ourselves and the general public about growing and appreciating orchids. MOS is fortunate to have many expert growers (not named Jeff), who are happy to offer help and advice to all who ask.

Does your orchid not look right to you? Bugs or pests? Not sure of the proper culture for your specific plant? Bring it in and get some help before the meeting begins. If you feel you have pests put the plant in a see through plastic bag.



Please don't be shy. Your fellow members are here to help.....

—Jeff Feldman

Upcoming Events

Monthly Meeting - Paphiopedilum with Bob Cleveland

13 June 2017

7:30 PM

Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Please have your plants on the show table by 7 p.m. Come early to shop for orchids, socialize with your orchid friends, and have a cup of coffee or tea and a snack. If you bring in a snack, you get a second raffle ticket.

MOS Show Vendor Bob Cleveland will speak on growing and repotting Paphs. Bring your questions, and learn from a master grower. Bob will have plants for sale.

Second Annual New England Summer Orchid Fest

23 June 12:00PM — 24 June 5:00

Smith Vocational High School, 80 Locust Street (Route 9), Northampton, MA

Free Admission

Friday, June 23: 12 p.m. to 5 p.m.

Saturday, June 24: 9 a.m. to 5 p.m.

This summer orchid fest is hosted by the Amherst Orchid Society and brings together several orchid vendors providing opportunities to learn about orchid growing as well as pick up new

plants for your collection.

The New England Summer Orchid Fest will feature:

- AOS sanctioned Judging on Saturday, June 24, starting at 12 Noon
- Any vendor or Fest attendee may bring their own plants for AOS judging (plants should arrive by 11 a.m. to be registered for AOS award consideration)
- Free parking will be available at the school and entrance to the Festival is FREE !

Orchid Vendors will include:

- orchidPhile: Specializing in miniature and novelty Phalaenopsis orchids
- Piping Rock Orchids: Specializing in Paphiopedilums & Phragmipediums
- Fair Orchids: Specializing in Paphiopedilum & smaller Vandaceous plants
- Gold Country Orchids: Specializing in mini Catts
- J&L Orchids: Specializing in miniatures
- flora-peculia: Specializing in Neofinetia, Japanese orchids & orchid species
- Waldor Orchids: Specializing in Cattleyas & Oncidinae
- Plus: an additional surprise vendor or two, TBA
- Grace Emporium: Specializing in orchid embroidered apparel
- Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies: Specializing in media and material for orchid growing

Smith Vocational High School is located at 80 Locust Street (Route 9) next to the Cooley Dickson Hospital. For more information, visit www.amherstorchidsociety.org or find the event on Facebook here: <https://www.facebook.com/Orchidfest/>.

MOS Picnic & BBQ

25 June 2017 12:30 - 3:30 PM

Marcia and Bob Richter's Home & Greenhouse

See the feature (above) about the BBQ, or visit the website at <https://www.massorchid.org/event-2538857> for more information.

Monthly AOS Judging, May

01 July 2017 10:30 AM

Tower Hill Botanic Garden, 11 French Dr, Boylston, MA

This is a publicly-open Judging session of the AOS Northeast Regional Center at Tower Hill Botanic Garden in Boylston MA. For more information, see the [MOS website's page on AOS Judging](#).

Monthly Meeting - Growing Vandas in New England with Kim Fedderson, Fair Orchids

11 July 2017 7:30 PM

Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St, Winchester, MA

Monthly meeting starts at 7:30 p.m. Please have your plants on the show table by 7 p.m. Come early to shop for orchids, socialize with your orchid friends, and have a cup of coffee or tea and a snack. If you bring in a snack, you get a second raffle ticket.

Speaker: Kim Fedderson, owner of Fair Orchids and MOS Show Vendor

Topic: Growing Vandas in New England

Kim will have plants for sale.

Message from the President

Hi folks! Welcome to June.

Hope your summer is off to a lovely start and that you've got plants growing and blooming wonderfully!

This month there are lots of different orchid related activities! The New England Summer Orchid Fest, our annual picnic hosted by the Richters, and of course our meeting! Hopefully you'll be able to get your orchid fix, if at least temporarily.

I want to thank Daniel Renfro for years of dedicated service as newsletter editor and getting this groovy newsletter to us. The time has come for him to step down and so **the**

Massachusetts Orchid Society needs your help! Do you have some time and any skills putting together a newsletter? If not, want an excuse to learn them? Without a newsletter editor, we will likely not have a newsletter....

I feel like I'm forgetting to mention all sorts of stuffs, so I will likely bring them up at the meeting! See you soon!

MOS Officers, Directors, & Committee Chairs

Officers

President	Brian Leib
Vice President	Jeff Feldman
Secretary	Ellen Shapiro
Treasurer	Sasha Crotty

Directors

George Baltoumas	Brandt Moran
Brigitte Fortin	Linda Pakravan
Ralph Di Fonzo	

Committee Chairs

AOS Trustee	Howard Bronstein
AOS Representative	Brigitte Fortin
Conservation	Robert Hesse
Hospitality	Ellen Shapiro
Library	—currently open —
Membership	Jeff Feldman , and Ralph Di Fonzo
Newsletter	Daniel Renfro
Orchid Digest Rep. Program	Adrienne Giovino Jeff Feldman

Past President

[Adrienne Giovino](#)

Orchid Show

Sasha Crotty,
Brigitte Fortin,
Adrienne Giovino,
Joanna Eckstrom,
Lynn Hennessey,
Marcia & Bob Richter,
Board of directors

Show Table

[Brigitte Fortin](#)



**The Amherst Orchid Society is again pleased to host the
2nd Annual
2017 New England Summer Orchid Fest !**

Friday, June 23rd, 12-5pm & Saturday, June 24th, 9-5pm, 2017

**The Fest will be held indoors at Smith Vocational & Agricultural High School located at:
80 Locust St (Rt. 9), Northampton, MA 01060.**

(Just off Interstate 90 by connecting to Interstate 91)

Centrally & conveniently located for all of New England !

The 2017 New England Summer Orchid Fest will feature:

- **AOS-sanctioned Judging: Saturday, June 24th, beginning at 12 Noon**
*(We encourage all Fest attendees to bring their orchids for AOS award consideration –
plants should arrive by 11am Saturday to be registered for AOS judging)*
- **Workshops on culture: presented by our vendors & expert society members**

FREE ADMISSION & PARKING !

US & International Orchid Plant Vendors will include:

- **orchidPhile (CT):** Specializing in miniature and novelty Phalaenopsis orchids
- **Piping Rock Orchids (NY):** Specializing in Paphiopedilums & Phragmipediums
- **Fair Orchids (NJ):** Specializing in Paphiopedilum & smaller Vandaceous plants
- **Gold Country Orchids (CA):** Specializing in mini & compact Cattleyas
- **Flora-peculia (Toronto):** Specializing in Japanese orchids & orchid species
- **Waldor Orchids (NJ):** Specializing in Cattleyas & Oncidinae
- **J&L Orchids (CT):** Specializing in miniatures
- **Plus:** an additional surprise vendor or two, TBA

Non-plant vendors will include:

- **Grace Emporia (RI):** orchid embroidered apparel & accessories
- **Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies (NH):** Specializing in orchid media and supplies



Join us for the 7th Annual:
INTERNATIONAL PHALAENOPSIS ALLIANCE

"FOCUS ON PHALS" DAY

Co-hosted by the New Hampshire Orchid Society

Saturday, September 9, 2017

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 7th Annual Speakers' Day, "Focus On Phals". This day-long event will include three presentations: Alan Koch, from Gold Country Orchids, on the new trend in breeding for Phalaenopsis intergenerics. Joining him will be Dotty Woodson, a Certified Nursery Professional & water resource specialist for Texas A&M, who is an expert on Pests & Diseases and how to effectively treat them. Carri Raven-Riemann of the orchidPhile, Past IPA President & current Regional Director, will update us on some of the cutting-edge breeding as seen at the Taiwan 2017 TIOS Show, including some exciting new directions from some of the smaller boutique hybridizers who are always thinking outside the box.

The day will also include reviewing the traditional New Hampshire OS show table, a roundtable discussion and a mini-auction 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. Vendors will be: Gold Country Orchids, the orchidPhile and Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies.

PROGRAM SCHEDULE:

8:30 - 9:15 am	Morning Refreshments & Sales Tables Open for Early Birds
9:30 - 10:15 am	Alan Koch: <i>Intriguing Intergeneric Phalaenopsis Breeding Trends</i>
10:30 - 11:15 am	Carri Raven-Riemann: <i>An Abundance of Big Lips and More !</i>
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	Dotty Woodson: <i>Pest & Disease Control for Orchid Growers</i>
2:15 - 2:45 pm	Roundtable Discussion with the Speakers (time permitting)

***** PLEASE NOTE: EARLY NHOS REGISTRATIONS (& FULLY PAID NON-NHOS MEMBER REGISTRATIONS) ARE REQUIRED BY AUGUST 28th TO ASSURE PLENTIFUL FOOD & CHAIRS FOR ALL !**

Both NHOS & NON-NHOS members can Register online at: <http://nhorchids.org/event-2418695>

Non-NHOS members can also pay by cash/check at the door or complete & mail the Registration Form below.

For further information contact:

New England Regional Director: **Carri Raven-Riemann** at orchidphile@optimum.net or (203) 329-7255

New York/Eastern Canada Regional Director: **Mitch Paroly** at hilolip@aol.com or (215) 943-7516

Mid-Atlantic: MD/ DE/ PA/ NJ Regional Directors: **Mitch Paroly** at hilolip@aol.com or (215) 943-7516

Les Werner at leswer@verizon.net or (410) 793-0756

Additional information will also be available on the IPA website (www.phal.org)

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REGISTRATION FORM for non-NHOS members: Must be received no later than August 28, 2017

IPANHOS "Focus on Phals" for Saturday, September 9, 2017

NAME(S): _____ TELEPHONE: _____

ADDRESS: _____ CITY: _____ STATE: _____ ZIP: _____

E-MAIL: _____ HOME ORCHID SOCIETY: _____

Enclosed is my check for _____ registration(s) at \$15 each Total enclosed: \$ _____

If paying by mail, send this form with your check, made payable to NHOS, to: NH Orchid Society
PO Box 5375
Manchester, NH 03108

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

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

Gold Country Orchids: <http://www.goldcountryorchids.com/>

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

MASSACHUSETTS ORCHID SOCIETY NEWSLETTER



The Massachusetts Orchid Society is a non-profit educational organization of individuals from all walks of life who share an interest in orchids. These interests range from the simple appreciation of orchids as beautiful flowers to the highly technical involvement in breeding and taxonomy. Join now and enjoy the world of orchids!

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