**AMHERST ORCHID SOCIETY**

**Amherst, Massachusetts**

**2019 EXHIBITOR RULES**

Show Location: Smith Vocational and Agricultural High School

 80 Locust Street (Rte 9), Northampton, MA 01080

Plant Exhibit Set-up: Thursday, February 21, 2019 Starting @ 12:00 Noon

Plant Registration: ONLINE until (Wed February 20, 2019 @ 9:00 pm)

 Registration at show on Thurs Feb 21, 2019 until 4p

Show Hours: Saturday February 23, 2019 9 AM TO 5 PM

 Sunday February 24, 2019 10 AM TO 4 PM

Plant Exhibit take-down: 5:00 pm exhibit area must be clear of all visitors

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● Setup begins at 12:00 noon on Thursday, February 21. Exhibit installation is not permitted prior to noontime.

● Final assignment of exhibitor spaces is at the discretion of the Show Management and subject to approval by the Show Board

● Foliage plants are provided for SHOW enhancement and will not be loaned or rented to individual displays. Exhibitors must provide their own foliage

● No flowering plants other than orchids, no dyed orchids and no artificial plant material may be part of an exhibit

● All orchids must be properly labeled

● Plastic pots should be covered to enhance the display. Clay pots should be new or cleaned.

● Exhibitors are responsible for lighting their display. Amherst Orchid Society will provide one floor lamp for each exhibit.

● Helium tanks, aerosol sprays, or other explosive materials are NOT allowed inside the exhibit building.

● Exhibitors may NOT distribute flyers, lists or advertising of any kind in the exhibit area or the parking lot.

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● The show committee may exclude or disqualify any display not conforming to Show standards and regulations.

● Exhibitors are to restore their display space to the original state (all trash removed) at the end of the show

● Plants may not be removed from an exhibit until all guests have left the exhibit area.

JUDGING AND PLANT REGISTRATION

● To be entered for ribbon or AOS judging, plants must be registered either online (preferable) or at the Show. Exhibitors will receive cards for each registered plant. The card must be placed on the plant

(usually with your plant tag) or other prominent spot for easy availability during the judging process.

● Plants may be registered online at bulbophyllum@myfairpoint.net. Online registration closes on Wed February 20, 2019 @ 9:00 pm

● Displays are automatically entered into judging.

● Questions may be directed to the Show Committee at bulbophyllum@myfairpoint.net

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