

# Massachusetts Orchid Society

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## Message from the President

*And now it's October?! Goodness...*

Thank you to all of you who attended our auction last month! I would especially like to thank Bob Richter, Dr. Charles Wingate, and George Baltoumas for auctioning the plants, Sasha and Adrienne for keeping track of sales and plants, and Mike Badia for running the display. **We did well and raised almost \$2000 for the society! Thank you!**


The Saturday before our meeting is the monthly American Orchid Society Judging at Tower Hill. This is a great opportunity to learn more about the AOS and its judging system and see some truly great plants!

This month will feature Francisco Miranda of Miranda Orchids. Francisco will be bringing plants for sale. If you would like to preorder, please do so by 10/05/2017 using the [Franciso Miranda Preorder List](#) and his website <http://www.mirandaorchids.com>.

Shortly after our meeting is the annual orchid sale at Lyman Estate. They've got lots of neat plants for sale and fun stuff to see.

If you still want another opportunity to get some great new plants, the Nutmeg State Orchid Society Gala Dinner and Orchid Auction is October 21, in Farmington, CT. Check out our website for a link.

As you may have heard, our show is coming up soon and we need your help to make sure it's a success! There are lots of different things to do and everything helps! Please consider giving some of your free time to the society as a little help will really ensure the show blooms (groovy flower reference, no?).

Thanks, and hope to see you at the meeting! -Brian Leib 

## *Renew your membership and reap the harvest*

It's time once again to reap the harvest of the events and benefits of MOS!

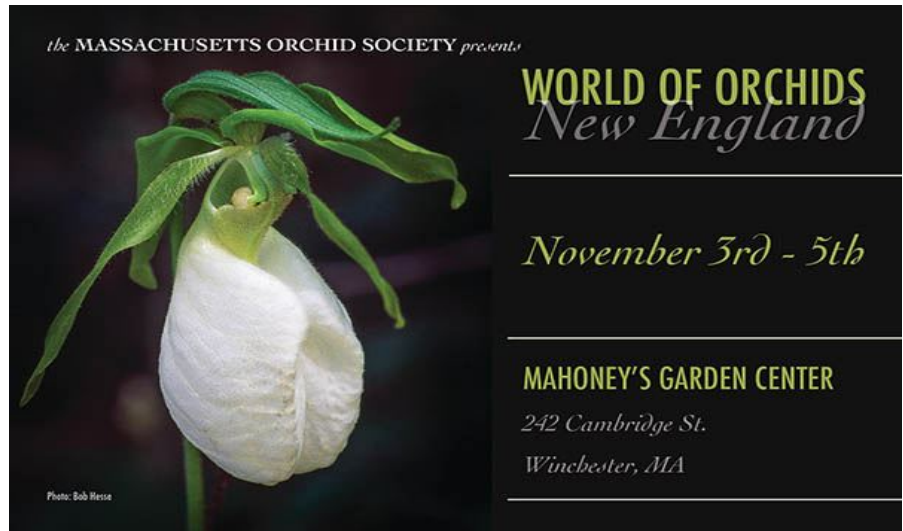
*If you haven't already renewed, remember that your paid 2017-2018 membership grants you free entrance to our show.*  
Please click on [Renew to renew your membership.](#)

*Thank you so much for your help. Without you, we wouldn't be able to have an award-winning display and the best show in New England.*

**The Show Committee**  
**Massachusetts Orchid Society**  
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## Tantalize Your Sense Of Smell And Sight At The Massachusetts Orchid Society's Annual Orchid Show!



November 3 to 5, at Mahoney's Garden Center in Winchester, MA. The ten-thousand square foot greenhouse will feature exotic displays of blooming orchids from around the world to showcase this year's "World of Orchids" theme.

The show will feature something for every level of enthusiast, from beginner to advanced, including hourly tours of the displays, plant raffles, seminars and educational events, vendors of specialty orchids and growing supplies, orchid art, lessons on how judges award their ribbons, and an opportunity to pick-up a magnifying glass to study an orchid the size of your thumbnail.

### Dates & Times:

Friday, Nov 3, 2017: 12:30 pm - 5 pm

Saturday, Nov 4, 2017: 10 am - 5 pm

Sunday, Nov 5, 2017: 10 am - 4 pm

### Location:

Mahoney's Garden Center

242 Cambridge St, Winchester, MA ([directions](#))

### Admission:

Adults \$10

Free to MOS members as well as children 8 and under

## More Information:

[Event Schedule](#) - Schedule of events planned for the weekend

<https://www.massorchid.org/showschedule>

[Directions](#) to Mahoney's - How to get to the show

<https://www.massorchid.org/page-700025>

[Vendors & Exhibitors](#) - Learn about the vendors and exhibitors attending this year's show

<https://www.massorchid.org/page-700026>

[Awards](#) - Learn about the trophies awarded at the show and sponsor a trophy. Sign up online.

Questions? Contact [show@massorchid.org](mailto:show@massorchid.org)

## Participant Information:

[Registration](#) Vendor and Exhibitor Registration Information

[Volunteer](#) - Sign up online to help at our show

Purchase [tickets](#) online or at the door.



# October Monthly Meeting - TBA with Francisco Miranda

*Please have your plants on the show table no later than 7 p.m. Come early to shop, socialize with your orchid friends and grab a snack. Bring in a snack to share and receive a second raffle ticket.*

*Topic: TBA*

Francisco will be bringing plants for sale. If you would like to preorder, please do so by 10/05/2017 using the **Francisco Miranda Preorder List** and his website <http://www.mirandaorchids.com>.

Miranda Orchids started in 1999 and is a nursery specializing in growing mainly selected Cattleya alliance species. In a sense, it is a continuation of Boa Vista Orchids, a nursery they ran in Brazil from 1986 until they moved to Central Florida. Many of the plants available are produced in our lab and nursery from our extensive collection of stud plants. The rest are brought from Brazil to increase variety and novelty.

Being native Brazilians, and having had a nursery for many years, the Mirandas know that there is a lot of development in Cattleya species being done there. This is mostly because a lot of those species are native from Brazil (including all the bifoliate Cattleyas) and because these plants are favorites of growers there. Of course having lived and grown orchids for a long time there, they know most of the growers and what is being produced and go there several times a year to make sure they are kept up-to-date.

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Miranda Orchids also grows other Brazilian species so if you are looking for something in particular do not hesitate in contact them. Their goal is to be your number one source for selected Brazilian orchids.

Miranda Orchids is owned by Maria Cristina and Francisco Miranda, both born in Brazil and living in the U.S. since 1999.

## Francisco Miranda

A taxonomist, naturalist and orchid grower, Francisco travels extensively in the U.S. and internationally speaking at orchid-related events and meetings. He has been doing this since 1988, while still living in Brazil. The subjects of these presentations (as shown in their own page here) reflect Francisco's extensive travels to study orchids in their natural environments.

## Maria Cristina Miranda

Also a biologist, Cristina takes care of the lab production and day-to-day nursery operation. 

### **10% Discount for *Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies* (pre-orders at the MOS show)**

Kelley's Korner Orchid Supplies is offering a 10% discount for all prepaid pre-orders to be delivered to you at Mahoney's Garden Center during the MOS show. Shop online at [www.kkorchids.com](http://www.kkorchids.com). Pre-orders are always encouraged to be sure we have the items you are looking for. Best of all you can now save on your purchase and we'll have it packaged and ready for you to pick up at your convenience during show hours. This coupon is only valid for supplies to be delivered at Mahoney's Garden Center in Winchester, MA during the MOS show.

Pre-orders must be received before November 1 please.

## Native Orchids of New England

In anticipation of our upcoming show, the following articles by John A. Mattor about native orchids found in New England comes to us courtesy of The Maine Orchid Society. Enjoy!

- ◆ [Calypso bulbosa](#): *The Eastern Fair Slipper*
- ◆ [Cypripedium acaule](#): *The Moccasin Flower*
- ◆ [Cypripedium arietinum](#) (R. Brown)  
*The "Ram's Head" Lady Slipper*
- ◆ [Dactylorhiza viride](#): *Long Bracted Green Orchid*





## UPCOMING EVENTS

### Monthly Meeting TBA with Francisco Miranda

10 Oct, 2017 7:30 PM

*Sons of Italy, 117 Swanton St., Winchester, MA*

### Lyman Estate Greenhouse Fall Orchid Sale

20 Oct - 22 Oct 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 PM

*Lyman Estate Greenhouses, 185 Lyman St., Waltham, Mass.*

### MOS Annual Orchid Show & Sale

03 Nov 2017 12:30 PM

*Mahoney's Garden Center,  
242 Cambridge St, Winchester, MA*

### Monthly AOS Judging

04 Nov, 2017 10:30 AM

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

*This is a judging session of the American Orchid Society as the Northeast Regional Judging Center and is open to the public.*







## FALL ORCHID SALE

**Friday, October 20 - Sunday, October 22, 9:30 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.**

*Lyman Estate Greenhouses, 185  
Lyman St., Waltham, Mass.*

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Varieties on display and for sale include Cattelyas, Laelias, Oncidiums, Paphiopedilums, Phalaenopsis and many more. Their long-lasting blooms are a dramatic addition to any indoor environment. These adaptable species can grow in a variety of home conditions.

Staff are available to offer expert advice. Please call 617-994-5913 for more information.



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