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*Orchid Society*

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# Message from the President



**Vanda testacea x cristata cross by Martin Motes**  
**Source: Melissa Garner**

Hello, Members!

I would like to congratulate you all on a wonderful orchid show last month. Everything went very smoothly and was a big success thanks to your time and effort. I'm pleased to say that the Memphis Orchid Society's exhibit won both the American Orchid Society Show Trophy and The Orchid Digest Trophy for best exhibit.

Congratulations to all! This shows how well our members can grow-and show-orchids. Thank you to everyone who brought plants to the show and especially to those who helped assemble the exhibit.

We all owe Ellen Watson a special thank you for expertly coordinating the food and beverage throughout the show.

This month we'll hear a presentation from Geraldine Powell of The Orchid Gallery in Signal Mountain, Tennessee. Geraldine will present "Succeeding in growing Masdevallias, Miltoniopsis, and Lycastes Orchids in warmer climates". If you've ever had an interest in coaxing these cooler growers to bloom for you in Memphis, this is the talk for you.

One last note, the Memphis Orchid Society website is currently down after being hacked. We're working on getting it back up and running as soon as possible. In the meantime, you can stay up-to-date and communicate with members on the MOS Facebook page.

See you Sunday,

**Jimmy Harwell**  
**President**



*Lc. canhamiana coerulea* 'Azure Skies'  
Source: Susan Young

## Message from the Vice-President

Hello members,

To all of you who directed and assisted with the May Orchid Show at the Memphis Botanic Garden I pass on the comment "Congratulations for a Superb Job Done" from many attendees I spoke to at the show. Many people I spoke to who had no clue about orchid growing were fascinated enough that they were buying orchids for the first time to add to their house plant collection. This is what it is all about. Sharing your knowledge and enthusiasm about your orchid growing passion is magnetic. We have a great membership society and I am hopeful some of the May show attendees will meet with us very soon.

Reminder; I am still fielding each of you for program suggestions for the 2017 calendar.

All the Best

**David Potts**  
**V.P. – Programs**



Dendrobium harveyanum  
Source: Melissa Garner

## **MOS 2016 OFFICERS**

**PRESIDENT:**

**VICE PRESIDENT & PROGRAMS:**

**TREASURER:**

**SECRETARY:**

**JIMMY HARWELL**

**DAVID POTTS**

**DEBRA BAKER**

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**PUBLICITY:**

**ELLEN WATSON**

**BILL & NANCY DETLING**

**DOROTHY GOODE**

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**MELISSA GARNER**

**MARCUS VALENTINE**

**MARK MILLS**

**KATHARINE PERRYMAN**

## MEMPHIS ORCHID SOCIETY 2016 CALENDAR

January	24	2:00	Marcus Valentine	Phal. Culture Memphis Orchid Society
February	28	2:00	Melissa Garner	AOS Judging Memphis Orchid Society
March	20	2:00	John Nelson and Tin-Wein	Louisiana Orchid Connection "Madagascar Orchid Walk"
April	24	2:00	Randy Bayer	"Plant Nomenclature: Understanding how to determine a plant's correct name using the aid of online nomenclature websites (KEW, RHS, and IPNI"
<b>ORCHID SWAP</b>				
May	20-21		<b>SHOW – Memphis Botanical Garden</b>	
June	26	2:00	Geraldine Powell	The Orchid Gallery, Look Out Mountain, TN "Growing Masdevallia Orchids in Cool Climates"
July	24	2:00	Mark Reinke	Marble Branch Farms
August	28	2:00	John Stubbings	Clown Alley Orchids
September	25	2:00	Melissa & Paul Garner	Green Grower & New Member Appreciation
October	23	2:00	TBA	
November	20	2:00	Ray Potts	Vanda Growing Springfield Society
December			 <b>HOLIDAY PARTY</b>	

# **Memphis Orchid Society Show Report**

The members of the Memphis Orchid Society splendidly hosted their 33rd annual show and sale May 20 – 22, 2016 at the Memphis Botanic Garden. Nineteen members of the Memphis Orchid Society (Debra Baker, Bayer, Brem, Brown, Burton, Detling, Garner, Haddad, Harwell, Holzer, Kuhnel, Kumok, Lindsay, Mills, Potts, Tipton, Valentine, Watson and Wessels) participated by providing 90 orchids which were collectively arranged by Melissa Garner with assistance from Leanne Burton and Randy Bayer and building assistance from Paul Garner. The show competition included 246 orchids among nine orchid exhibits. Memphis members collectively won 53 ribbons (22 blue, 17 red and 14 white) with every Memphis member receiving at least one ribbon. This is about 59% of Memphis's entries receiving ribbons and continue to show how wonderful our members can grow. Best of Class trophies were awarded to two Memphis members: Mandel Brown and Randy Bayer. Marcus Valentine received the newly created trophy for the Best Grown Phalaenopsis.

There were seventeen orchids pulled for Special American Orchid Society judging, with 3 of them coming from Memphis growers (Debra Baker, Mandel Brown and Mark Mills). Five orchids received AOS awards, with one from Memphis. Mark Mills received an 80 point Award of Merit for his *Leptotes bicolor* swamprad.

That is a respectable showing of Memphis entries receiving ribbons and once again shows how wonderful our members can grow (and also how competitive when we send the best orchids in bloom from our growers). The Memphis Exhibit received a Blue ribbon in its class, the American Orchid Society Show Trophy and Orchid Digest Trophy. Congratulations and special thanks to all our members who participated!

**Debra Baker, Acting Recording Secretary**



# SPEAKER

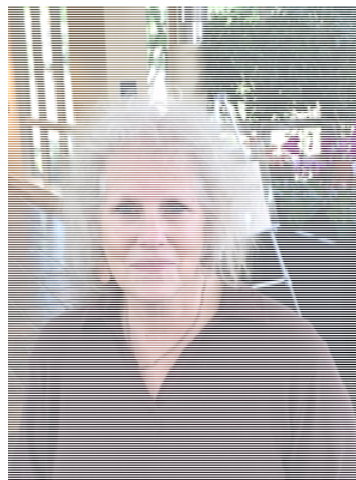
## Geraldine A. Powell

Geraldine A. Powell is the co-owner and co-operator of The Orchid Gallery in Signal Mountain, TN (near Chattanooga), who together with Beth F. Cox, have a combined 40 plus years of experience in the retail orchid and home decor business. The company was established in 1999, in Florida, and relocated to Tennessee in 2005.

## Visitor and Membership Report



Robert & Karen Baker



Susan Lugar



Dr. Hal Brant & Buzzy Hussey

We are excited to report we signed four new members/couples at the May 'Show and Sell:

Susan Lugar was the first to join. She is a windowsill grower. Susan, a lot of our members grow on windowsills and under lights.

Melissa Koontz was second. Melissa, we apologize for failing to get your picture, but we know where to find you. Melissa is on staff at the University of Memphis with Randy and Forrest.

Dr. Hal Brunt and Buzzy Hussey was our first couple to join. Dr. Brunt is a Medical Director for the Lakeside Behavioral Health System, and Buzzy owns Babcock Gifts.

Our second couple to join was Robert and Karen Baker. They are down to one orchid. (We can fix that!) They also have a bog garden, something some of our members are also enjoying.

We hope you all will be able to make the June meeting. We look forward to seeing you.

**Bill, Nancy and Dorothy**



## MOS Announcements:

**Name Tag.** If you would like a Memphis Orchid Society Name Tag, the cost is \$8.00 for a pin tag and \$10.00 for a magnet tag. See Debra Baker

**MSU Fertilizer** still available at \$4.50 per bag. See Debra.

## 2016 MOS REFRESHMENT VOLUNTEERS

DATE	SWEETS	SAVORIES	DRINKS
January 24	Randy Bayer	Debra Baker	David Potts
February 28	Linn/Shepard	Dixie Henderson	Don & Rory Theeuwes
March 20	Forrest Brem	Jimmy Harwell	Doug Mallory
April 24	Dixie Henderson	Dorothy Goode	John Wessels
May 20-21	<b>SHOW – NO REGULAR MEETING</b>		
June 26	The Kuehnels	Laura Evans	David Potts
July 24	Sue Hall		
August 28	Nancy Detling		
September 25	Barbara Baker		
October 23		Ronnie & Susan Young	
November 20	Leanne Burton		Don & Rory Theeuwes
December	 <b>Holiday Party</b>		

## AOS Membership Perk

The Memphis Orchid Society can get one-month free membership for every new American Orchid Society member signup using a special membership application noting the Memphis Orchid Society on the form. A copy is attached and will be available at our meetings and at the May Show and Sale.

# JOIN



## The American Orchid Society

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Whether a beginner or an expert orchid grower, as a member of the AOS you're part of something bigger, you are part of a worldwide community of like-minded people—the orchid community who share a passion for orchids. The benefits:

- Twelve issues of award-winning *Orchids* magazine per year
- Access to the special educational opportunities in the members section online at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)
- Free and discounted admission to more than 200 botanical gardens and arboreta
- Receive the annual *Orchid Source Directory* that lists orchid suppliers worldwide
- Receive discounts on back issues of *Orchids* and AOS publications.

### Become a member online at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)

Yes, I want to be a member. Please check the membership plan of your choice:

Membership Type	DIGITAL ONLY (US/Worldwide)	US DESTINATION (Digital & Print)	CANADA & MEXICO (Digital & Print)***	ALL OTHER COUNTRIES (Digital & Print)***
Individual, one year	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$65.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$85.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$105.00
Individual, two years	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$125.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$165.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$205.00
Joint, one year*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$55.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$120.00
Joint, two years*	<input type="checkbox"/> \$100.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$155.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$195.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$235.00
Student, one year**	<input type="checkbox"/> \$25.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$40.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$60.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$80.00
Student, two years**	<input type="checkbox"/> \$45.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$75.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$115.00	<input type="checkbox"/> \$155.00

\* Joint membership is for two individuals residing at the same address and includes only one subscription to the monthly magazine *Orchids*.

\*\* Student members must be in high school or enrolled at an accredited college/university. Valid student ID required at time of application.

\*\*\* Additional cost covers priority delivery of the print magazine

**NOTE:** For **US Destination ONLY** First Class Mail is available for an additional \$30 per year

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Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City: \_\_\_\_\_ State: \_\_\_\_\_ Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_ Country: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ Fax: \_\_\_\_\_ Email: \_\_\_\_\_

Are you a member of a local orchid society?  No  Yes

If so, please provide the name of the society: MEMPHIS ORCHID SOCIETY

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I would like to make a donation to the AOS in the amount of \$ \_\_\_\_\_

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