

Our speaker this month (Tuesday, December 11) will be Francisco Miranda on Brazilian Laelias. He will have plants for sale at our meeting.

Francisco Miranda from Miranda Orchids, a taxonomist and grower hailing from Brazil via central Florida, where he now runs a nursery specializing in Brazilian Cattleya and Laelia.

Francisco was born in Rio de Janeiro. He got his degree in Biology and began his taxonomic studies in the orchid family in 1981. During the next 4 years, he lived most of the time in Manaus where he studied Amazon orchids and began his Master's degree. Shortly after returning to Rio de Janeiro, the Master's was completed on "section Cattleyodes of the genus Laelia". Since then, the main interest has been on the Brazilian laelias and cattleyas. He is the author of several papers ranging from species descriptions to subjects of growers' interest in Brazilian, German and U.S. publications. He is also author of two books. Since 2000, he lives in Haines City, Florida, where he has Miranda Orchids, an orchid nursery specializing on Brazilian species and the Cattleya alliance.

His discussion will be on the Brazilian laelias (regardless of people calling them *Laelia*, *Cattleya* or *Sophronitis*). The different groups are all discussed and most species shown in their natural habitats. For the showy and/or variable species, the most outstanding and characteristic color forms are also shown. Also as with the cattleyas, this is a tour through the regions of the country where these plant are found, and as the result we see some of the most beautiful areas of Brazil.

Report from Barry Woolf on Beginners Corner

Hi All

Our first Beginner's Corner Discussion Group was an unqualified success. While we started with only 4 members clustered around the computer screen, within minutes, there were over a dozen new and senior members.

Last month's discussion was on "What makes an orchid an orchid?" We also discovered several orchids that have unique life styles.

This month's topic will be on "Orchid Pests and the relationship between Disease, Pests, and Orchid Culture." Depending on questions, this may be a two month topic. We will go into how to identify the different diseases

and pests that attack orchids, as well as discussing current “Best Practices” on how to treat them.

We will start promptly at 7:15 in front of the main projection screen. The presentation will take 10 to 15 minutes followed by a short discussion.

The group is open to all DOS members and guests.

We are still inviting any and all DOS members who do well with a particular genera, or who have developed a unique growing/mounting, etc.(any orchid related) technique to come share with the group.

November Show Table Results

GREENHOUSE

C. unknown hybrid - Mary Ann Ulmann

Pot. DiCiamnas Rainbow - Mary Ann Ulmann

Blc George King ‘Serendipity’ - Mary Ann Ulmann

Mormodes sinuata- Mary Ann
Ulmann

Epi. Jumbilee - Mary Ann Ulmann

Neostylis Lou Sneary ‘Bluebird’ - Mary Ann Ulmann

Vasco. Banjong Elite - Mary Ann Ulmann

Eplc. Volcano Tricks - Mary Ann Ulmann

Pot. Marlene Lundquist ‘Orange Delight’ - Mary Ann Ulmann

Max. callichroma “Best Grown” - Duane & Judy Erdmann

Liparis viridiflora- Duane & Judy Erdmann

Rstp. brachypus ‘Yellow’- Duane & Judy Erdmann

Cycnoches barthiorum - Duane & Judy Erdmann

Cyc. cooperi - Duane & Judy Erdmann

Coel. rochussenii - Duane & Judy Erdmann

Masd. angulifera - Malli & Vera Lee Rao Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Masd. macrura ‘Sherry’ - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Masd. princeps ‘Cow Hollow’ - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Masd. colossus - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Masd. erinacea - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Den. cuthbertsonii - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Masd. zapatae - Malli & Vera Lee Rao

Onc. varicatum - Barry Woolf

Coel. Mem. Louis Forget - Barry Woolf

Onc. Tsiko Monguaret - Barry Woolf

Ornithocephalus bicornis “Best Grown” - John Rogan

Lc Adolph Hecker 'Lynn' AM/AOS "Best Grown" - John Rogan
Lc. Empress Elizabeth 'Red Velvet' HCC/AOS - John Rogan
Pot. Burana Beauty 'Burana'- John Rogan
C. Penang 'Black Caesar' AM/AOS - John Rogan
Onc. Carnival Costume - John Rogan
Phrag. Sorcerer's Apprentice - Gail Sklar
Brasiliorchis [Maxillaria] schunkeana - Gail Sklar
C. walkeriana V. Semialba 'Carmela' - Art Chadwick
C. labiata 'Sherwood Forest' AM/AOS – Art Chadwick
C. labiata [concolor] - Art Chadwick
Bulb. medusa "Best Grown" - Steve Chang
Bulb. Purpureorhachis - Pam Downs
Cym. Noid "Best Grown" - Mary Jo Gilsdorf

NON-GREENHOUSE

Paph. (Olympic X Greenvale) - Bee & Sol Fenick
Paph. China Moon - Bee & Sol Fenick
Liparis condylobulbon - Adrian Ross
Onc. Sharry Baby 'Ruby Doll' - Dave Emerson
Psychopsis Mendenhall 'Hildos' FCC/AOS - Dave Emerson

Welcome New DOS Member Jared Rochester

There will be a board meeting at 6:00 before the meeting. The January meeting will be January 8, 2013 and our speaker will be Ty Triplett.