

# The Thirty-Sixth Annual Orchid Show

## Jewels of Paradise

Presented by

**The Naples Orchid Society, Inc.**

**March 19-21, 2010**

### Show and Exhibition Rules and Regulations

1. All exhibitors are expected to familiarize themselves with the rules and regulations, asking the Show Committee for interpretation when necessary.
2. The Naples United Church of Christ McSpadden Hall will be open for exhibit staging from 12 noon to 8:30 PM Wednesday, March 17<sup>th</sup> and from 9 AM to **7:30PM sharp** Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010.
3. All exhibits, plants to be entered for ribbon judging, plants to be entered for NOS hobby grower trophies must be registered with the entry clerk. **Entries must be made at the Church Hall on Thursday, March 18<sup>th</sup> between 10AM and 7PM. Absolutely no entries made after 7:00PM!!** All entries must remain in place for the duration of the Show, at the discretion of the Show Chairman.
4. Correct classification for individual plant entry is the responsibility of the exhibitor. Plant parentage is required. Incorrectly entered plants may be disqualified. **Entry Chairman must be notified if any entry is removed from the space entered!**
5. Diseased or insect infested plants will not be accepted for entry.
6. Plants owned by commercial growers will not be entered for ribbon judging or trophies designated for NOS Hobby Growers but may enter plants in first bloom seedling table.
7. Plants entered for trophies designated for NOS Hobby growers must have been grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of (6) months.
8. All first bloom seedlings will be exhibited on a special plant table and will be entered in the appropriate seedlings class only.
9. Special show awards (Trophies) where no entry is required are open to any plant displayed at the show.
10. Exhibitors (other than commercial growers) that are not NOS members may enter plants for Ribbon Judging and first bloom seedling awards.
11. In addition to the ribbons and trophies awarded as provided for in the schedule, plants and flowers will be considered by the American Orchid Society Judges for American Orchid Society Awards. All persons entering plants or flowers in the Show either in exhibits or in individual entries, agrees to accept any award and pay for such awards to the American Orchid Society. If an entrant does not wish to accept AOS awards, he must inform the Entry Chairman before placing his plants or flowers for exhibition.
12. Any plant in flower that has been exhibited previously in another AOS judged show or judging session may NOT be reconsidered for AOS awards on the same inflorescence. ( Show Chairman to be notified)
13. Classes of Exhibits are defined as follows:
  - O.** Open Class. Commercial Floor exhibits open to any exhibitor who wishes to compete in this class. Subject to space limitations. Previous years exhibitors have first option.
  - H.** Hobby Floor exhibit. Open to Society members who grow orchids primarily for pleasure.
  - T.** Hobby Card Table exhibit. Open to Society members who grow orchids primarily for pleasure.
  - C.** Hobby Container exhibit. Open to Society members who grow orchids primarily for pleasure.
  - A.** Orchid Cut Flower Arrangements. Open to Society members only.
  - E.** Educational Exhibit. Open to Society members only. Subject to space limitations. Size and content to be approved by application to the Show Committee.
13. To be eligible to sell plants, vendors must exhibit in **Class O**. Application for space must be made and approved in advance of the Show.

14. Size, location, and guidelines for each Exhibit Class will be determined and enforced by the Show Architect and the Show Committee. **Specific guidelines and regulations for each exhibit class are available from the Show Chairman.**
15. Group exhibits may be entered. Names of exhibitors comprising the group must be displayed after judging.
16. All plants in exhibits must be correctly and prominently labeled except for Cut Flowers.
17. Borrowed plants may be used in any exhibit Class. Awards received must go to the owners.
18. Wood, stone, metal, ceramic, and glass accessories are permitted in all exhibit classes.
- 19. The following materials are not permitted in exhibits.**
- No cut flowers (except in orchid flower arrangements)
  - No flowering plants other than orchids
  - No artificial or dyed plant material
  - No water displays**
  - No lights**
20. Exhibits must be titled and prominently displayed. Exhibitor names must be displayed only after judging. **Exhibit Title must be submitted with Exhibit Entry on Thursday.**
- 21. Judging will be in progress from 8:30 AM to 3:00 PM on Friday. During this time, only judges, clerks, the Judging Chairman, the official photographer, and show management may be on the floor.**
22. For ribbon show awards, judges may subdivide classes at their discretion.
23. Judges have the right to withhold any scheduled trophy or ribbon. No duplicate awards may be given.
24. Judges may, by consent of a team, give special awards.
25. Current American Orchid Society scale of points for judging group exhibits will be followed, with emphasis on artistic effect::
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| General Arrangement | 35 points |
| Quality of Flowers  | 35 points |
| Variety             | 20 points |
| Labeling            | 10 points |
26. Precaution will be taken for the safety of plants and accessories, however, NOS will not be responsible for damage or loss.
- Decisions of judges and rulings of the Show Committee are final.