

Spokane Orchid Society

The *Spokane Orchid Society* invites you to participate in our **2022 Orchid Show and Sale** on **Saturday and Sunday, April 9,10**

at the **Spokane Community College, Lair**

1810 N. Greene St., Spokane, WA 99207.

(Maps and directions will be sent out with electronic registration)

Please respond to this invitation, with your response.

Setup and registration will be **Friday, April 8, from 4:00-8:00 pm** and must be completed before 8:00 am on Saturday. Orchids, educational displays, and artwork on the display tables will be judged and must be registered and labeled during this time.

Advanced electronic registration information will be sent out in March.

This will be an AOS judged show. This will be a Bench Show.

Judging will begin at 8:00 am Saturday, April 9. The show area will open at 12 noon. Since this is a **Bench Show**, **NO INDIVIDUAL/SOCIETY/VENDOR DISPLAYS are required.** Educational and artistic displays are encouraged. **If you will be constructing one of these, please let me know.** Once items to be judged are registered, they will be turned over to a Spokane Orchid Society team which will arrange them on the display tables. Items will be grouped in the display area by classes.

The sales area will be open from 12 pm to 6 pm Saturday and from 10 am to 3 pm on Sunday. We must be out of the facility by 5 pm Sunday.

We ask that each plant/pot be marked with the society/individual name. This can be easily done with self-sticking return address labels placed on bottom. We will have colored markers available to identify the different societies and vendors. If possible, wrap the pots in a black cloth or place them in appropriate, decorative pots for display. We will have some black cloth available for use.

To defray costs, if members of your Society are willing to stay with members of SOS, please contact me.

Please contact us with questions. Information is posted on our web site www.SpokaneOrchids.org.

*****NOTE EMAIL and WEBSITE ADDRESS CHANGES FOR SOS*****

Show Chairman:

Jim Pearce SOSorchidSociety@gmail.com
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Co-Chairs

Scott Rettenmund
Linda Drummond
Ernie Smith

Judging Chairman: James Huffman

Thanks for your continued participation and support. See you April 8!!! Don't forget to **RSVP!**

Jim Pearce

Show Chairman

Show Rules

Exhibition Rules:

1. This is an open show. Anyone may exhibit in accordance with the show schedule and rules. Placing an entry in this show is an agreement to abide by these rules. Blooming orchid plants, cut orchid flowers, artistic displays, and educational displays may be entered.
2. Space must be reserved in advance.
3. Exhibitors must complete and submit an entry tag for each plant, cut flower, or artistic/educational entry. Entry tags will be provided by the SOS and must be displayed prominently on the entries.
4. Registration of entries must be completed between **4:00 and 8:00 pm Friday, April 8**, or before judging begins at 8:00 am Saturday.
5. Cut inflorescence may be sent to the show chairperson, or co-chair with prior arrangement to arrive by **April 6**. The chairperson or his/her designee will make every effort to show the blooms to their advantage. Please specify the disposition of the blooms after the show.
6. No plant may be entered in more than one class.
7. Orchids are the only plants permitted in the display area.
8. Plants must be clean, presentable, and **watered before being displayed**. Entry of plants that are obviously diseased or infected with pests, or are not properly staked, may be refused and the plant may be removed from display.
9. No plant, bloom, educational, or artistic entry may be removed, without permission from the show chairman, before 3:00 pm Sunday, **April 10**, and must be removed between 3:00 pm and 5:00 pm, Sunday, **April 10**.
10. The Spokane Orchid Society will exercise reasonable precautions in the care of exhibits and security of plants; however, we cannot assume liability for loss or damage.

Judging Rules:

1. This will be an American Orchid Society judged show.
2. Judging will begin promptly at 8:00 am Saturday, **April 9**. Only judges, judging clerks and designated assistants will be allowed in the show area while judging is in progress.
3. At their discretion, judges may:
 - disqualify or reclassify plants or blooms entered in the wrong class;
 - subdivide or add any class as needed;
 - award duplicate ribbons within any classification;
 - withhold any ribbon or trophy
4. Decisions of the judges and rulings of the judging chairperson shall be final.
5. Orchids entered in the show will be considered for AOS judging and society ribbon judging, unless otherwise noted.
6. Cut blooms may be entered and will be judged with blooming plants of the same class.
7. In awarding ribbons for the best individual plants, "best" refers to the quality of bloom.

Ribbons and Awards:

Ribbons

1. First, Second and Third place ribbons in all divisions and classes
2. Special Award Ribbons at the option of the judges.
3. Judges may establish additional classes not listed in the schedule.

Awards

1. Judges have the right to either present or withhold any awards.
2. Judges may present additional awards to genera not listed on schedule.
3. A fee will be charged by the AOS to each exhibitor, for each AOS award granted
4. Also, the flower and/or full description and photograph of a plant awarded the Certificate of Botanical Recognition or Certificate of Cultural Merit must be sent for identification (i.e., Marie Selby Botanical Gardens). There is a cost associated, unless the awarded plant is accompanied by previously obtained certification. An award made to an unregistered hybrid shall be held until registration has been completed, at that time the award will be published, and a certificate issued.
5. Registration must be accomplished within one year of the date of judging or the award may be nullified. If registration is withheld due to circumstances beyond the registrant's control, an extension of time may be allowed. Fees not paid will result in the nullification of the award and the rejection of all of the exhibitor's plants for future AOS judging until all records have been cleared.

Sale Rules:

1. The sales area and show areas will be separated and established by the show chairman.
2. Space for commercial sales is offered by invitation only.
3. Only orchids, orchid art, products used in orchid culture, and orchid companion plants may be sold.
4. The Spokane Orchid Society will not be responsible for mislabeled plants, switched tags or lost plants.
5. Vendors will do their own selling and handling of money.