



Heart O' Texas Orchid Society

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Tuesday, April 5, 2011

Austin Area Garden Center/
Zilker Botanical Gardens
2220 Barton Springs Road
Telephone 512-477-8672

Public Welcome!

6:45 p.m. – Enjoy Show Tables

7:00 p.m. – Announcements

7:15 p.m. – Program

8:45 p.m. – Show Table

April Program

Our guest speaker this month will be Kathy Creger.

Kathy Creger started collecting orchids in the 70's. When she was a college student at the University of Minnesota, she bought her first orchid. It turned into a hobby in the late 80's and a passion in the early 90's when she joined the Orchid Society of Minnesota. She grows several hundred species under lights, in windows, and outside during the Summer. She grows mostly species that range from the 1/2 inch tall Jamaican Lepanthes to an enormous Brassia forgettiana plant that received a CBR/AOS award.

She has been President of the Orchid Society of Minnesota, and is currently President of the Pleurothallid Alliance and she is also an AOS Accredited Judge from the Chicago center.

For the last 19+ years Kathy has vacationed in Jamaica learning about, hunting, collecting and documenting populations of orchids on the island. Some plants are common throughout the island and the surrounding Caribbean countries.

Her slide show and talk are designed to help us understand the various habitats that orchids grow in on an island with diverse habitats and how we can get clues to providing better environments here in our own greenhouses.

April 2011

Upcoming Events

April 16:

HO'TOS Greenhouse Tour

See different greenhouses and talk to other members about growing Orchids in our area. A map with times, locations, descriptions and directions will be available at the meeting.

April 16 & 17:

2011 Houston Orchid Society Show and Sale - "Wonders of the Orchid World"

This year the show will be in the main lobby of the Houston Museum of Natural Sciences -
5555 Herman Park Drive
Houston, TX 77030

Parking Available & Free Admission

May 21 & 22:

40th Annual Heart O' Texas

Orchid Society show.

The show committee has been working hard to plan a fantastic show this year. In honor of our society's 50th Anniversary, we will be selling to members white polo-style shirts that are embossed with a special anniversary logo. The show committee is asking the members who wish to volunteer at the show to buy a shirt and to wear it while they volunteer. The shirts will be sold at cost (~\$23.00). An order sheet will be available at the April and May meetings.

We are in need of volunteers for the show three-day weekend and clerks for the Friday evening judging. Sign up sheets will be available at the April and May meetings.

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Membership Information

Membership in the Heart O' Texas Orchid Society is open to anyone interested in orchids. Meetings are typically held the FIRST TUESDAY of every month at the Austin Area Botanical Gardens located at 2220 Barton Springs Road, Austin, Texas 78746. Meetings begin at 6:45 p.m., announcements at 7:00 p.m., followed by an orchid related program and orchid sales. 2011 annual membership dues: \$30 for individuals, or \$45 for two individuals at the same address, or \$15 for students with a student ID.

Dues are pro-rated after January 31 for new members.

Telephone 512-892-1940 or email mgaylord@austin.rr.com for more information if needed.

Mail dues to: Heart O' Texas Orchid Society
 Monica Gaylord
 5703 Oakclaire Dr.
 Austin, TX 78735

Got News?

Have an announcement to make?

Looking for a particular plant? Want to share some plants? Then spread the word via this newsletter! Contact Cullen Perry by the 10th of the month to have your request listed in the next newsletter. Telephone (512) 771-7322 or email Cullenp@austin.rr.com

**Thanks to everyone who
has pledged money for
trophies or food! The
show committee
appreciates your sup**

Congratulations to Geoff Frost!
His *Cattleya nobilior* 'Michael' was
awarded an AM/AOS with 82 points
at the San Antonio Judging Center
this past Saturday.

Be sure to check our website!

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Thank you to Myr Hernandez for building our wonderful
new website! Keep checking it for the latest updates and
pictures from our members.