



CACTUS CHRONICLE



MISSION STATEMENT

The Los Angeles Cactus and Succulent Society (LACSS) cultivates the study & enjoyment of cacti & succulent plants through educational programs & activities that promote the hobby within a community of fellow enthusiasts & among the greater public.

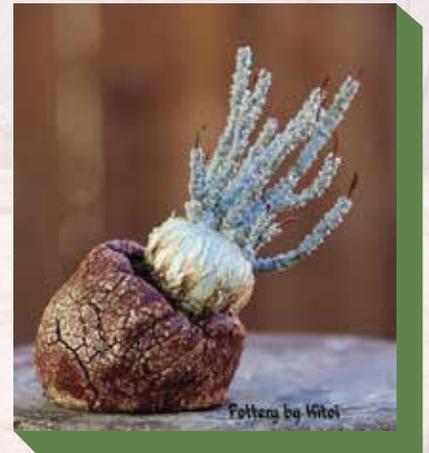
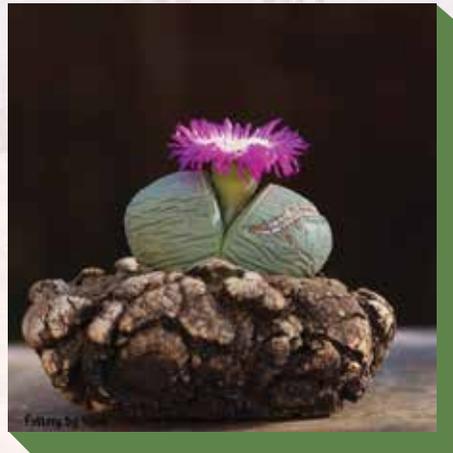
Monthly Meeting Program : September

STAGING

A different approach

This month's speaker: Keith Taylor, began collecting Cacti & Succulents in 1991 and started creating unique containers to show off his specimens in 2008. He has developed a different style of staging by combining plant, pot, rocks and topdressing to create award winning compositions.

Keith will bring plants from his collection and demonstrate how to combine these elements to create an eye catching presentation.



Ron Behar
V.P. Programs

KEITH TAYLOR

KEITH TAYLOR began collecting caudiciform succulents in 1991 after seeing a large *Cyphostemma Juttae* in the ground at a local botanical garden. "I was drawn to size and grotesque shape of the trunk". The *Cyphostemma* he saw is also the 1st succulent he purchased. He has more than 800 plants in his collection. He grows in plastic pots and raised beds. Keith prefers his succulents to look like habitat specimens rather than cultivated plants. He grows them hard, meaning limited water, little to no feeding and hot sun to give them the look of collected plants.

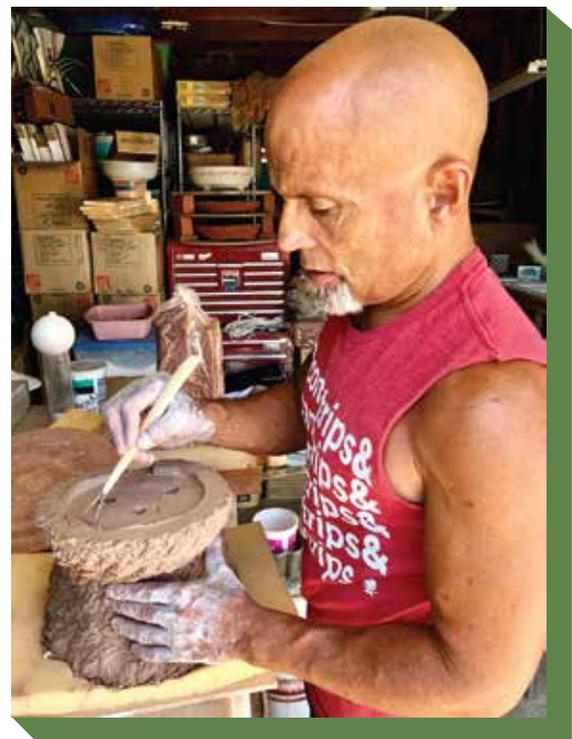
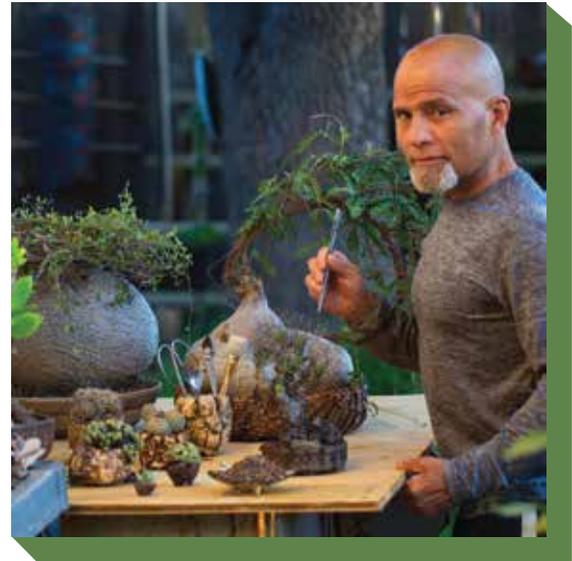
In 2008, Keith began creating pots to show off his plants. He believes the pot should compliment the plant, not distract it. The main focus should be the succulent. If the pot is too ornate, colorful, or shiny, it draws your eye toward the pot rather than the succulent. Proportion also plays a role. Rocks and top dressing are also added to complete the presentation. His pottery is sought after by many Cacti & Succulent collectors, as well as bonsai artists.

Keith sells his work at Cacti & Succulent clubs and shows, bonsai clubs, online through Facebook, Instagram, and his website. He accepts custom orders and ships worldwide.

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A Word From Our President



Wow! It's hot! Plants are stressing, and I am stressing! This hot spell has gone on for too long. A couple of my plumerias really took a hit. Hope all of you and your plants are doing okay. I hope the worst is over.

I really want to thank our panel from our program last meeting. It was a great meeting and there was so much really great information shared, thanks again. I look forward to another panel soon.

This past weekend was the 33rd Inter-City Cactus & Succulent Show & Sale. It was truly amazing. I was there early Thursday setting up for Desert Creations and there were about 30 plants already in the show. I came back Saturday afternoon and when I walked in the showroom, it absolutely took my breath away. I just stood there in awe, trying to take it all in. There were so many people, the plants were top notch, there was just a wonderful energy flowing through the show and sale. There were a total of 67 Novice entrants, a dozen or so Advanced, and 3 dozen or so Open. We had some trophy winners from our club, Kathryn Boorer, Collin & Kimberly won Best Collection, Kathryn won Sweeps, M.A. won High Points Succulents Novice. Wow! I saw lots of blue ribbons on John Matthew's, Ron Behar's, Sandy Chase's, John Martinez's, Kyle William's plants and so many more. LACSS did a fine job of volunteering and putting plants in the show. At the dinner auction we were also well represented. I hope most of you were able to come by and experience the show and sale. We should be proud to be apart of this event.

Has everyone saved the date for our Fall Sale? This is a one-day sale on September 15th, 2018 at the Sepulveda Garden Center. Come, sign up to volunteer, buy great plants and have fun hanging out with our members!

You won't want to miss Saturday, September 22nd, 2018 for our next LACSS Garden Tour. We will be visiting two beautiful hillside gardens: the home of Randee & Marty Leffler and the home of Steve & Tiffani Bresnick. Please RSVP for this event to Diane Miller at (818) 882 1856 or by email at dianemiller@socal.rr.com. Please include "LACSS Garden Tour" in the subject line.

Diane Miller is the Nomination Chair and Roxie Esterle will also serve on the committee and they will need one more. Please let us know if you are able to help.

Debi Heaps is working very hard to make an amazing Awards Banquet for all the members in December. It sounds exciting! Lots of surprises, I love surprises!

This is an amazing club and it is that way because of our amazing members! There are lots of areas, committees to get your feet wet in. So if you are interested in getting more involved, please come and let us know.

Thank you all for everything you do.

Kim Chavez

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PLANT OF THE MONTH

AUGUST RESULTS

SUCCULENT - ADENIA

ROOKIE

FIRST	ADENIA GLOBOSA	DANIEL PIO
SECOND	ADENIA PECHUELII	DANIEL PIO
THIRD	ADENIA GLAUCA	ILONA BURATTI

NOVICE

FIRST	?	?
SECOND	ADENIA KERAMANTHUS	AL MINDEL
THIRD	?	?

ADVANCED

FIRST	ADENIA GLAUCA	SANDY CHASE
SECOND	ADENIA GLAUCA	ROXIE ESTERLE
THIRD	ADENIA PERRIERI	SANDY CHASE
THIRD	ADENIA MORADELPHA	SANDY CHASE

OPEN

CACTUS - THELOCACTUS & HAMATOCACTUS

ROOKIE

FIRST	THELOCACTUS DURANGENSIS	RON COOPER
SECOND	THELOCACTUS RINCONENSIS	NICK STEINHARDT
THIRD	THELOCACTUS BICOLOR	FELIPE DELGADO

NOVICE

FIRST	THELOCACTUS BUECKII	AL MINDEL
SECOND	THELOCACTUS BUECKII	AL MINDEL
THIRD	THELOCACTUS BUECKII	AL MINDEL

ADVANCED

FIRST	THELOCACTUS LOPHOTHDE	KATHRYN BOORER
SECOND	THELOCACTUS MACDOWELLII	RIO CERNIK
SECOND	THELOCACTUS RINCONENSIS	ROXIE ESTERLE
THIRD	THELOCACTUS SP.	KATHRYN BOORER

OPEN

PLANT OF THE MONTH 2018

SEPTEMBER

Mammillaria "Colored Spines"
Bursera

OCTOBER

Espositoa, Oreocereus
Jatropha, Monadenium, Pedilanthus

NOVEMBER

Crest, Monstrose
Crest, Monstrose

DECEMBER HOLIDAY PARTY!

PLANT OF THE MONTH 2019

JANUARY

Epiphytic Cacti
Dudleya

FEBRUARY

Echinocactus
Sarcocaulon

MARCH

Epithelantha, Encephalocarpus
Pelecypora, Aloe Hybrid

APRIL

Gymnocalycium
Haworthia

MAY

Small cacti & succulent staged as
miniature

JUNE

Favorites

JULY

Mammillaria with hooked spines
Lithops

AUGUST

Rebutia
Commiphora

SEPTEMBER

Astrophytum
Euphorbia from Madagascar

OCTOBER

Opuntiod from South America
Adromischus



PLANT OF THE MONTH ENTRIES ARE LIMITED TO 3 SUCCULENT PLANTS AND 3 CACTUS PLANTS FOR EACH MEMBER. THIS APPLIES EVEN WHEN THERE ARE MORE THAN ONE GENUS OF SUCCULENT OR CACTUS. THE THEORY IS THERE WILL BE SPACE FOR EVERYONE.

SEPTEMBER PLANT OF THE MONTH

MAMMILLARIA WITH COLORED SPINES

BY KYLE WILLIAMS

Photo Credits: Kyle Williams

Mammillaria is quite possibly the most popular genus of cacti, and is usually one of the first succulents a person buys. There are several reasons for this. With nearly 200 species, Mammillaria is one of the larger genera in the Cactaceae, which means there is an enormous amount of variety to choose from. Some species are fingernail size, others solitary globular plants, some are straight spined, some form sizeable clumps, while others are heavily spined with hooks. The more common species are ubiquitous at any nursery, big box store, or even supermarket that sells plants. Most species are small, easy to grow, and have a "cute" factor that make even non-gardeners want to buy one for their patio or windowsill. The most commonly grown species are also quite tolerant of abuse and neglect. At the meeting we are only looking at species with colored spines, but in reality there is no important difference between ones with them and ones without.

One of the most distinctive features of Mammillaria are flowers born in the axils of the tubercles that as a group form a ring around the stem. They are usually small, but many can be open at once providing a nice display. Flowers range in color from white and yellow to pink and red. Other species have orange, salmon, or even bicolor flowers. Mammillaria species range from Columbia all the way to Canada. Approximately ten species are found in the south western portion of the United States, including California. However, the true heart of Mammillaria diversity is Mexico. Most species occur there and you can see the full range of variation the genus has to offer. While some species are extremely hardy (particularly the North American species), others are more frost sensitive. Almost all Mammillaria will do just fine in Southern California, with little or no winter protection, as long as they are potted in a freely draining potting mix. If you live in areas that get hard frost in the winter (e.g. the Antelope Valley) be sure to check the frost tolerance of your species.

The secrets to good growth are a continual supply of water and fertilizer during the growing season (typically from March through October), strong light, intense heat if available, and maintenance of a clean and insect free growing environment. Many people starve and under water their plants, in attempt to avoid rot. Most Mammillaria will take quite a bit of water and fertilizer when in growth. During the summer heat growth slows for a time, picking up again when the weather cools, before stopping around Thanksgiving.

Propagation of Mammillaria is easy. Cuttings can be taken at any time during the growing season (April to early November), left to dry for a few days and replanted in a clean potting mix (pure pumice is even better). Rooting is rapid, with short white roots generally appearing after a couple of weeks. Mammillaria are one of the easiest species to grow from seed. The seeds are simply placed on top of a damp potting mix, covered with a light coating of gravel, placed in a plastic bag in bright light, but out of direct sun and allowed to germinate. Germination usually occurs in a week or 10 days. The seedlings can stay in the plastic bag for several weeks until they get large enough to survive unprotected, and should then be removed to a still shaded, but brighter and drier environment. Show quality plants can often be grown in just 4 or 5 years, and entries can be ready for seedling classes in as little as 6 months. Best results are obtained when the seeds are started in late March to late May.



Mammillaria sp.



Mammillaria perezdelarosae



Thelocactus huitzilopochtli

SEPTEMBER PLANT OF THE MONTH

BURSERA

BY KYLE WILLIAMS

Edited by: Kimberly Gomez-Tong

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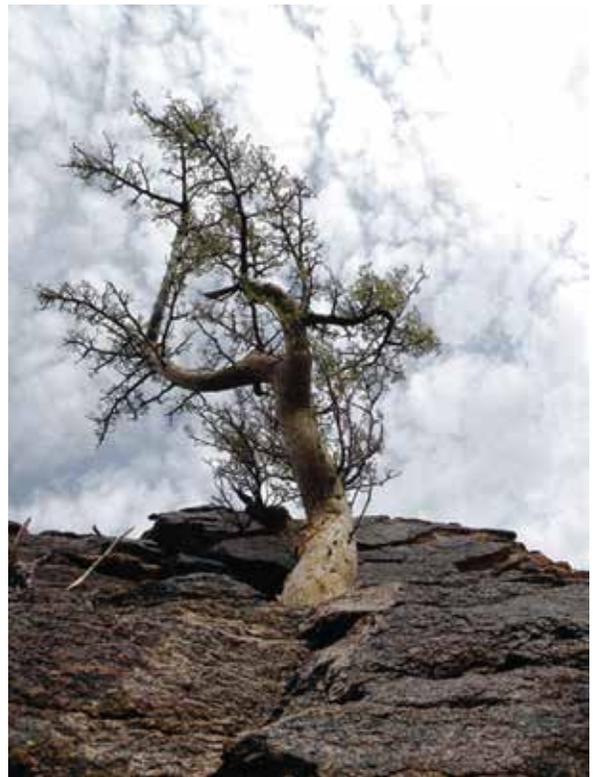
Bursera Fagaroides

Bursera are members of the Burseraceae. They are confined to the New World, mostly from Southern California through Guatemala. Bursera are best when watered in the summer in Southern California.

They will tolerate being left unprotected, outdoors during the winter rains. Any standard succulent mix will do as a potting medium. Growth is much more rapid when they are fed. If grown in an open mix they can take an amazing amount of water in the summer, and will reward the grower with substantial growth and trunk thickening. Bursera do well when treated as bonsai. Pruned to expose the geometry, and structure of the trunk and bark. Planting in the ground will greatly accelerate the growth rate.

Bursera is a wide spread genus with a range that extends from California into South America. Many of the species are beautiful trees with red or brown peeling bark, rarely seen in cultivation. Some of the tree-like species are very vigorous growers, going more than 6 feet in a medium size pot, in just 2 years. Most Bursera are aromatic with wonderful woody fragrance from their leaves and bark.

Most of the species are worth growing and can be made into show specimens by suitable pruning. Many of the larger species require hard pruning every year to avoid having them turn into trees. Species frequently seen are *Bursera Fagaroides* (shown above), *Bursera Microphylla* (with very small leaves), *Bursera Multijuglans* (with red peeling bark), and *Bursera Simplex*. There are many other species from Central & Southern Mexico, & Central America that could be grown & shown.



Bursera Hindsiana

MEMBERSHIP PAGE

BY ILONA BURATTI

WELCOME NEW MEMBERS!

We had 100 at our August meeting, 78 signed in, & 6 guests. Wasn't that a fantastic freebie table last meeting, thanks to all who brought plants to share. Also...renamed it for you; **SEPTEMBER PRINT IN SHEET**. When you come in, don't sign, PRINT....We transcribe these sheets, help us out.

If you don't have a name badge, print your First name on a colored label. Feel free to grab a snack, a cup of coffee, shop our vendors, and just have fun visiting with other members; Remember, PRINT at least the first letter of each name. OR if you would rather...volunteer to decipher & transcribe the list.

Help!

We could use some data entry help. Anyone interested please contact me. We need a second person/member for data entry into Mailchimp.

The September Sale is just around the corner, we need at least 2 members who would like to greet guests, help them sign in, and get their information. We will have an iPad for direct entry into our system.



WELCOME!

AUGUST'S NEW MEMBERS:

JAMES DEGEETER
ANABEL HUGH
JAMES & LISA LEMOS
LORNA MILMAN
BRUCE ROTHCHILD
RENU JAIN

**BE SURE TO BRING
A FLAT BOX FOR YOUR
GOODIES, PICK UP YOUR
NAME BADGE (IF ORDERED),
YOUR ROSTER,
MEMBERSHIP CARD &
WELCOME PLANT.**

**P/S: IF WE GOT YOUR
NAME WRONG, PLEASE
EMAIL:
NEWSLETTER@LACACTUS.COM
WITH SUBJECT
"NAME CHANGE"**

MEMBERSHIP PAGE

MEMBER VENDOR: NILS SCHIRRMACHER



I'm a Los Angeles native who has been in the Cacti & Succulent hobby for about twenty years. Beginning in 1998 with membership in the CSSA and the San Francisco CSS. I joined the LACSS in 2005, after returning to Los Angeles from the Bay Area. Most recently, in 2014, I joined the Mesemb Study Group; an organization devoted entirely to plants of the Aizoaceae, commonly referred to as mesembs.

My wife Malynnda and I live in an apartment in central Los Angeles, which has some outdoor space for plants. Because space is limited, my collection is on a seasonal rotation. During the spring and summer I tend to my bonsai, consisting of *Bursera*, *Fouquieria*, *Euphorbia misera*, and Coast Live Oaks. These warm months are also spent caring for a handful of Madagascan *Euphorbia* and *Didieraceae*.

As days shorten, the summer plants are allowed to go dormant, then tucked away to make room for my Winter Growers: mesembs such as *Conophytum*, *Mitrophyllum*, *Dicrocaulon*, *Antimimma*, and *Cheiridopsis*; the bulbs *Massonia*, *Ornithogolum*, and *Gethyllis*; and geophytes *Bulbine*, *Tylecodon*, *Pelargonium*, and *Eriospermum*. These South African plants aren't the only thing growing during the cool months. I also keep a collection our native succulent, *Dudleya*, and a genus of native bulb named *Calochortus*. For the past several years, fellow club member John Martinez and I have been locating the habitats of local *Dudleya* species. Studying these plants in the field continues to be a great education for us both. That's a summary of what I like to grow. My collection includes a few other odds and ends, and I'm always becoming infatuated with new discoveries.

Many of my plants have been grown from seed: an economical way to procure species not found at sales, as well as an enriching pastime. The process of sowing and rearing seedlings puts you in touch with something beyond day-to-day stresses; something quiet and enduring, something hopeful.

My other hobbies include *suiseki*: a Japanese art form related to bonsai, whose focus is the display of stones resembling miniature landscapes; and *arachnoculture*: the keeping of 20+ tarantulas. Fostering my interest in arachnids is a membership in the British Tarantula Society. Professionally, I manage the warehouse of an art storage company. Our clients include many of the art museums around town. I am an artist myself, with an MFA from UC Irvine.

If you share any of these interests, or just want to say hello, please introduce yourself--I would love to get to know some of the newer members. And since I'm always looking for new friends to share seedlings with, I may have a free plant for you!

Nils Schirmacher



UPCOMING LACSS GARDEN TOUR

SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 22, 2018

Please join us Saturday, September 22, 2018 for our next LACSS Garden Tour. We will be visiting two beautiful hillside gardens.

Place: Home of Randee & Marty Leffler

Time : 10:00AM - 11:30AM

Address: (in Encino) provided after you RSVP

The Leffler's garden features harmonious, drought tolerant, hillside landscaping, large succulents, & poolside container gardens. The diversity of flora on the property includes succulents, cactus, native plants, fruit trees & traditional favorites complimenting each other to make up a tranquil & welcoming garden space. Come see how Randee's and Marty's use of colorful foliage helps make their garden exceptional.



Place: Home of Steve & Tiffani` Bresnick

Time : 12:00NOON - 1:30PM

Address: (in Sherman Oaks) provided after you RSVP

The Bresnick's garden is a lushly planted, oak studded, 3-acres hillside featuring rare cycads, palms, & other tropical plants with succulents throughout. The Huntingtoninspired cactus garden, which contains over 100 cactus specimens, has been updated since our visit last year. Come see the wonderful changes Steve & Tiffani have made!



Please wear sturdy shoes as you would for a hike. The Bresnick's garden is on a hillside. There are about 100 steps from the top of the property down to the cactus garden. There is a long staircase at the top and a short one at the bottom as well as dirt and decomposed granite pathways. Please feel free to bring a walking stick, if you'd like.

Light refreshments will be available. Please wear your LACSS badge.

Please RSVP for this event to Diane Miller at (818) 882 1856 or by email at dianemiller@socal.rr.com. Please include "LACSS Garden Tour" in the subject line.

53RD ANNUAL CSSA POST SHOW

This year's Show & Sale out performed even last year's event in total sales, auction revenue and show participation. Thanks to all the volunteers from our local, and not so local, affiliate clubs, CSSA Board members and CSSA members, this year's show ran like a well-oiled machine. Whether you volunteered for 2 hours or for all three days, your help was very much appreciated. I hope it was a fun experience for you and that you will consider helping out again next year. Remember, your name is on my LIST!



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Thank you to Jim Folsom, Danielle Rudeen, Melanie Thorpe and the HBG Botanical Staff who provide the venue space & support to the CSSA every year for our Annual Show & Sale.

Thanks to our Sale's Committee, Tom Glavich & Jim Hanna, the plant sales were the best ever! A special thank you to all those who worked in the sales area: vendors, cashiers, BSA Troop 359 and the security team for keeping things running smoothly. Thank you to the Show Committee for all their hard work both prior to & throughout the event: Gunnar Eisel, Tom Glavich, Tim Harvey, Karen & Martin Ostler, Sandy Chase, Manny Rivera, Bonnie Ikemiura, Kathleen Misko, Mary Brumbaugh, Rebecca Mallonee, Evelyn Stevens, Rosalie Gorchoff and Jim Hanna. Thank you Tom, for designing this year's T-shirt. It was a hit!



@letsmocha

There were 52 entrants and 639 entries in this year's show, many for the first time. Total High Points went to Rob Skillin (from Central Coast), 82 points; High Points Succulents to Rob Skillin, 54 points; and High Points Cactus to Karen & Martin Ostler, 51 points. This year we enjoyed two commercial displays stunningly created by Desert Creations & California Cactus Center. Tim Harvey treated us to an informative commemorative display honoring the late, John Lavranos, world-renowned botanist and field explorer. Moving our Trophy display to Banta Hall allowed the winning plants to be viewed more easily. Our Judges this year were John Trager, Steve & Julie Plath, Tim Harvey, Artie Chavez, Karen Ostler and Mike Buckner. Manny Rivera, Head Clerk, and his twelve clerks assisted our judges Friday evening.

This is a fun, informative experience for those new to the hobby. Also, in Banta Hall, and surrounding our cactus show plants, was a wonderful illustrated art exhibit titled, "Out of the Woods: Celebrating Trees in Public Gardens". Those visiting the exhibit

stayed to enjoy our show. Next year there will be an art exhibit, again, but the works will be of Cacti & Succulents and will compliment our show perfectly. There was a record number, 70, of attendees at the Saturday night "Chili Buffet", put together by our Hospitality Committee, under the direction of Bonnie Ikemura and her band of crockpot chili makers, Sandy Chase, Karen Ostler, Barb Hall and Bonnie. This year, Jim Folsom, the HBG Botanical Director, gave the CSSA a gift of an open bar during the dinner & auction. Thank you, Jim! Thanks to everyone who helped Bonnie feed the masses during the weekend. We all enjoyed seeing Buck & Yvonne Heminway, who were visiting from South Africa! They are missed. Both the Silent & Live Auctions were highly successful, bringing in \$4300 for the CSSA Research Fund. Thank you, Karen, for setting up the auction and Tori Wilson, Margie Wilson and Cliff Meng for handling the bids & finances. Last but not least, kudos to our auctioneers, Woody Minnich, David Tufenkian & Mike Buckner for making it a fun auction.

I look forward to the 54th Show & Sale at the Huntington next year and I hope many of you will be there to make it the best show ever.

Barbara Hall
CSSA Show Chair

33RD INTER-CITY CACTUS & SUCCULENT SHOW & SALE AUGUST 11-12, 2018 LOS ANGELES COUNTY ARBORETUM

A THANK YOU NOTE FROM THE THREE INTER-CITY SHOW CO-CHAIRS

We would like to thank everyone who participated in making this the largest and best Inter-City Show in years. We had tremendous support from all three clubs in setting up the show and sale, entering plants, participating in the judging, preparing and serving food, and working the sales area and tear down. Our interactions with the public were excellent, and I expect all three clubs will end up with new members because of this show.

There were more than 200 plants entered this year than last and a total of about 1400 plants in the show room. This is the highest in several years. The number of people entering plants in the show was also the highest as was the number of novices. The novices are the future of this show, and the clubs and it is great to see such wonderful participation. All three co-chairs heard many compliments both from the club members and the general public about the quality of the show and the friendliness and encouragement given by all who participated.

Sales were also at an all time high, helped by wonderful publicity and the quality of the plant material on the sales tables.

Thanks to all of you for making the Inter-City Show so great and so much fun.

Tom Glavich, John Martinez, Krystoff



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TROPHY LIST



Cactus			
1	Best Cactus / Novice	Shaun Adams	Mammillaria Plumosa
2	Best Cactus / Advanced	Gunnar Eisel	Matucana Pujupati
3	Best Cactus / Open	Tony Marino	Stenocactus Eruca
4	Best Native US Cactus	Tony Marino	Sclerocactus Pubispinus
5	Best Argentine Cactus	Kathryn Boorer	Gymnocalycium Pflanzii
6	Best Chilean Cactus	Gary Duke	Copiapoa Cinerea
7	Best Ariocarpus	Miles Anderson	A. Bravoanus ssp. Hintonii
8	Best Astrophytum	Gunnar Eisel	A. Caprichorne
9	Best Cereus	Tony Marino	Haageocereus Acramthis
10	Best Echinocereus	Tony Marino	E. Barthelowianus
11	Best Gymnocalycium	Miles Anderson	
12	Best Mammillaria	Gregg & Ana Cavanaugh	Mammillaria Plumosa
13	Best Opuntieae	Tony Marino	Grusonia Reflexispina
14	Best Rebutia / Sulcorebutia	Bill Munkacsy	R. Heliosa
15	Best Epiphytic Cactus	Sharon Sedillo	Rhipsalis Salicornioides
16	Best Crested Cactus	Miles Anderson	
17	Best Variegated Cactus	Kathryn Boorer	Ferocactus Emoryi
18	Best Exhibit	Karen & Martin Ostler	The Tribe Tephrocactae
19	Best Allied Interest	Cindy Arakaki	Euphorbia drawing

Succulents			
1	Best Succulent / Novice	Richard Salecedo	
2	Best Succulent / Advanced	Christopher Zaferes	Dioscorea Elephantipes
3	Best Succulent / Open	Petra Crist	Cyphostemma Uter v. Macropus
4	Best Caudiciform	Christopher Zaferes	Pseudobombax Ellipticum
5	Best Madagascar Plant non Euphorbia	Mike Hackett	Operculicarya Pachypus
6	Best Anacardiaceae	Petra Crist	Pachycormus Discolor
7	Best Euphorbia non Madagascar	Nick Wilkinson	Euphorbia Obesa
8	Best Madagascar Euphorbia	Mike Hackett	E. Cylindrafolia ssp. Tubifera
9	Best Agave	Nick Wilkinson	A. Alpipilosa
10	Best Aloe	John Martinez	A. Pearsonii
11	Best Miniature Aloe Hybrid	Bonnie Ikemura	A. "Snowflake"
12	Best Asclepiad	Kal Kaminer	Larryleachia Caciformis
13	Best Crassula	John Bleck	C. Sarcocaulis
14	Best Echeveria	Irene Chew	E. Cante
15	Best Fouquieria	Nick Wilkinson	F. Purpusii
16	Best Gasteria	Steven Duey	Gasteria Hybrid
17	Best Haworthia	Christopher Zaferes	H. Truncata
18	Best Mesemb	John Bleck	Antimima Pescodora
19	Best Dyckia	Jim Hanna	Brittlestar Hybrid
20	Best Pachypodium	Daniel Pio	P. Brevicaule
21	Best Bonsai Succulent	John Luhnaw	Ficus Petiolaris
22	Best Crested Succulent	Gary Duke	Stapelia Variegata Crest
23	Best Variegated Succulent	Gunnar Eisel	Gasteria Hybrid
24	Best Lithops	Naomi Bloss	L. Bella

TROPHY LIST



Joint

1	Best Collection	Collin O'Callaghan & Kimberly Tong	Astrophytum Collection
2	Best Staged Plant	Christopher Zaferes	Bursera Microphylla
3	Best Any Other Genus	Tony Marino	Cintia Knitzii
4	Best Miniature	Jim Hanna	Operculicarya Pachypus
5	Best Madagascar Plant non Euphorbia	Woody Minnich	Mammillaria Minnichii (N.N.)

Show Committee

1	High Points Cactus / Novice	Loralei Dewe
2	High Points Cactus / Advanced	Kathryn Boorer
3	High Points Cactus / Open	Tony Marino
4	High Points Succulent / Novice	M.A. Bjarkman
5	High Points Succulent / Advanced	Kathryn Boorer
6	High Points Succulent / Open	John Bleck
7	Grand Sweepstakes	Kathryn Boorer
8	Best Rookie Novice (Succulent)	Al Mindel
9	Best Rookie Novice (Cactus)	Jacob Burdette
10	Show Spirit	Peter & Ignacia Walkowiak

**P/S: IF WE GOT YOUR
NAME WRONG, PLEASE LET US KNOW!
EMAIL: NEWSLETTER@LACTUS.COM
WITH SUBJECT "NAME CHANGE"**

T Glavich

SHOW STATISTICS



HIGH POINTS OVERALL

1	Kathryn Boorer	211
2	Tony Marino	136
3	Richard Salcedo	97
4	Christopher Zaferes	91
5	MA Bjarkman	83
6	Gary Duke	79
7	Barbara Hall	79
8	Sandy Chase	75
9	Ken Shaw	70
10	Tom Glavich	65

HIGH POINTS OPEN

1	Tony Marino	136
2	Gary Duke	79
3	Tom Glavich	65
4	Petra Christ	61
5	Miles Anderson	58

HIGH POINTS CACTI OPEN

1	Tony Marino	130
2	Miles Anderson	57
3	Gary Duke	48
4	Gene Joseph	37
5	Kal Kaminer	24

HIGH POINTS SUCCULENT OPEN

1	Petra Crist	61
2	John Bleck	52
3	Nick Wilkinson	51
4	Jim Hanna	50
5	Tom Glavich	45

HIGH POINTS CACTI ADVANCED

1	Kathryn Boorer	134
2	Ken Shaw	67
3	Barbara Hall	36
4	Mark Digeros	33
5	Gunnar Eisel	25

HIGH POINTS SUCCULENT ADVANCED

1	Christopher Zaferes	91
2	Kathryn Boorer	77
3	Sandy Chase	54
4	John Martinez	48
5	Barbara Hall	43

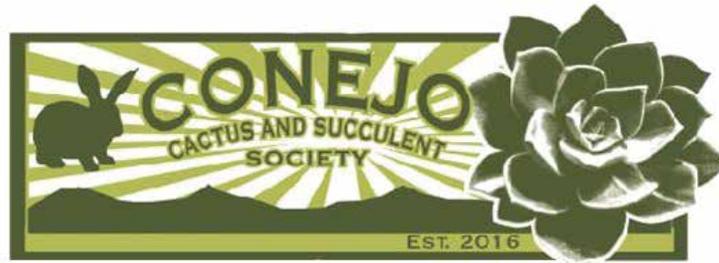
HIGH POINTS CACTI NOVICE

1	Richard Salcedo	60
2	Sharon Sedillo	53
3	Alex Sierra	52
4	Amanda Erianson	42
5	Collin O'Callaghan & Kimberly Tong	39

HIGH POINTS SUCCULENT NOVICE

1	M.A Bjarkman	70
2	Daniel Pio	58
3	Brian Porray	41
4	Ann Hopkinson	41
5	John Suci	39

ANNOUNCEMENTS



SUCCULENT & CACTUS PLANT SALE

SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 8, 2018

9:00 am- 4:00 pm
Elks Lodge
158 N. Conejo School Road
Thousand Oaks, CA, 91362



Plant & Pottery Vendors as well as
Cactus & Succulents experts will be
there to give you tips on growing & cultivation

Please bring boxes or bags to carry home your purchases.

For more information email: Conejocss@hotmail.com

Our Sale is in conjunction with the Elks Lodge weekly BBQ.

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*Don't
forget!*

REFRESHMENTS REMINDER

It's September - Last names starting with A - D

If your last name begins with the letters listed above, this means it's your turn to bring the goodies during our meeting on Thursday, August 2nd. Please have snacks arrive by 6:30PM for Social Hour.

Your help in setting up & breaking down is greatly appreciated.

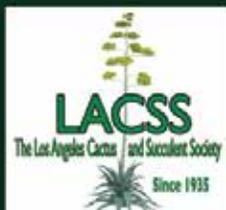
Some ideas: finger foods, fruit, veggies, chips & dip, cookies, brownies, burritos, pizza ... you name it, we will heat & serve it. We have a microwave available.

It's nice to have real food at the start of the meeting, as well as treats during the break. Drinks are also welcome.

LACSS 2nd Annual Fall Cactus & Succulent Sale

Saturday,
September 15, 2018
9:00 AM - 4:00 PM

Sepulveda Garden Center
16633 West Magnolia Blvd
Encino, CA 91316



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ANNOUNCEMENTS

8/18 PROGRAM AT STEVE FRIEZE'S HOUSE POSTPONED

**HELLO LACSS MEMBERS OUR AUGUST 18TH PROGRAM HAS BEEN CANCELED DUE TO WEATHER BUT WE HAVE AN INCREDIBLE PROGRAM SET FOR SEPTEMBER 29, 2018:
SEPTEMBER'S SUBJECT: LANDSCAPE HINTS AND WINTER GROWERS.**

Cuttings and light snacks will be offered, Steve will open his personal collection and offer some plants for sale. You may bring a plant, for discussion.

The "Getting ready for winter" program originally scheduled at the Sepulveda Garden Center for August 18, will be incorporated in this newly scheduled program that will be offered at Steve's Home:

**SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 29TH 10:00AM TO 12:00PM
15914 RAYEN NORTH HILLS 91343**

Please RSVP (Text or Call) to Steve Frieze @ 818-455-9983

It should be a fantastic program. Hope to see you all there!

WE NEED BOXES FOR THE FALL SALE!

PLEASE BRING THEM TO THE SEPTEMBER MEETING.

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WE NEED VOLUNTEERS!

We are looking for a few good volunteers for the LACSS one-day fall sale on September 15, 2018.

There are still a few spots open in security, at the holding table area, assisting cashiers by pulling tags from pots and relief persons to give breaks to assigned volunteers.

Come and sign up with Sandy Chase or call her at (818) 367-0864.

Those who have already signed up, please see Sandy to verify your times and assignments.

SANDY CHASE

Date change!

SGVCSS WINTER SHOW/SALE 2019

THAT'S RIGHT 2019, NOT 2018.

DUE TO SOME VERY RECENT DECISIONS BY THE LA COUNTY ARBORETUM, WE WILL NOT HAVE THE ACCESS WE NEED IN NOVEMBER FOR OUR ANNUAL SGVCSS WINTER SHOW/SALE.

THE WINTER SHOW/SALE WILL NOW BE HELD JANUARY 12-13 2019.

CALLING ALL CACTOPHILES!

(and succulent lovers, as well!)

LACSS FESTIVAL COMMITTEE 2019

If you like our programs, our shows, & our activities, you will enjoy them even more when you get INVOLVED. All of us began as novices & gained expertise by "hanging out" with the experts. We have instituted a method to guarantee that you will learn on the job. You can transition into these vital roles by being mentored through your first year.

Right now, we are forming next year's Festival Committee. Both the previous chair & the new volunteer will attend the planning meetings together to help you transition through the process. Here are some of the areas where we need help at this time:

- FESTIVAL CO-CHAIR** - Manages show infrastructure, security, transportation, park use permits, parking assistants (ROTC), lunch for volunteers, signage, & anything else that comes up. Jim Esterle will share all contacts and assist in these critical tasks.
- VENDOR CHAIR** - Communicates with vendors, establishes contracts, contracts with rental companies, creates the festival map. Cheryl White will walk you through these procedures.
- KIDS' DAZE CHAIR** - Determines & coordinates activities, purchases & assembles materials, recruits & trains volunteers, facilitates extra publicity. Kathleen Misko will continue to **help as much as possible**.
- PUBLICITY CHAIR** - Facilitates the design of the annual postcard, writes & sends out press releases, writes & constructs the show program, coordinates additional publicity opportunities. Roxie Esterle will help the new publicity chair.
- INTERIOR SHOW CHAIR** - Coordinates competitions for best educational exhibit & for mini-plant show, sets up the show, coordinates voting & judging, obtains prizes.
- VOLUNTEER CHAIR** - Establishes schedule, recruits & assigns volunteers, wristbands for volunteers, reminders & acknowledgments. Joyce Schumann seeks a partner to assist with these responsibilities

The Festival Committee meets about 4 times during the year & then each chair independently fulfills his/her responsibilities. Yes, the workload gets rather intense during the week leading up to & including the festival, but this work is extremely rewarding, full of camaraderie, & just plain fun. Please talk to us if you are interested in joining (or we will come after you!)

CHERYL WHITE

KAL KAMINER

RON BEHAR

KIM CHAVEZ

JIM ESTERLE

JOYCE SCHUMANN

DEBI HEAPS

ARTIE CHAVEZ

ROXIE ESTERLE

KATHLEEN MISKO

GRETCHEN DAVIS

MATTHEW GASKILL

CALL FOR OFFICE NOMINATIONS 2019

The Nominating Committee announces the following positions open for a two-year term beginning in January 2019:

1ST VICE-PRESIDENT, PROGRAMS

2ND VICE-PRESIDENT, PLANT OF THE MONTH

SECRETARY

DIRECTOR 1, MEMBERSHIP

Job descriptions will be available at the September meeting to anyone interested. Candidates must have been members of LACSS for at least one year. We are also seeking people who would like to serve on board committees, especially the Festival Committee.

A few officers have expressed a willingness to remain in their positions for another term. This gives us a terrific opportunity to bring new members into leadership positions in an "intern" capacity. Please let a member of the committee know if this possibility interests you!

If you are interested in serving or would like to recommend another person, please contact or email any Nominating Committee member. The slate of candidates will be announced in the November Cactus Chronicle. Voting will take place at the November meeting.

Thank you in advance for your participation.

Diane Miller, Chair
Roxie Esterle
[3rd Committee Member - Open]

LACSS

2018 HOLIDAY AWARDS DINNER



Saturday December 8, 2018 from 5-9PM
The Therapeutic Learning Center for the Blind in Keck Center
7915 Lindley Ave, Reseda CA 91335

Get ready to party! In December, our regularly scheduled meeting will be replaced by a celebration honoring participants in **PLANT OF THE MONTH** and all the wonderful friendships kindled through LACSS. There will be a gift exchange, silent and live auctions, a raffle and a few surprises. The dinner is our traditional potluck of yummy member dishes. Sign up for volunteers and dish choices will begin in our October meeting. Of course I'd love to hear from excited volunteers anytime!

More details to come in October.

Any questions or suggestions are always welcome.

Debi Heaps
heapsgirl@gmail.com

SEPTEMBER & OCTOBER EVENTS

SEPTEMBER

SEPTEMBER 1

HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM
ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS
FOR MORE INFO CALL (626) 405 3504

SEPTEMBER 15

LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION
RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS
12PM-5PM
6400 BIXBY HILL RD, LONG BEACH CA. 90615
FOR MORE INFO CALL (562) 631 5876

SEPTEMBER 15

LOS ANGELES CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SALE
SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER
9AM-4PM
16633 W MAGNOLIA BLVD, ENCINO

SEPTEMBER 22

GARDEN TOURS
RSVP CALL/TEXT DIANE - (818) 882 1856 OR EMAIL DIANEMILLER@SOCAL.RR.COM
PLEASE INCLUDE "LACSS GARDEN TOUR" IN THE SUBJECT LINE

SEPTEMBER 29

LANDSCAPE HINTS & WINTER GROWERS PROGRAM - BY STEVE FRIEZE
RSVP CALL/TEXT STEVE - 818-455-9983

OCTOBER

OCTOBER 6-7

BAKERSFIELD CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW & SALE
SATURDAY 10:00AM - 5:00PM, SUNDAY 11:00AM - 3:00PM
ST PAULS'S CHURCH, 2216 17TH ST, BAKERSFIELD CA 93304
FOR MORE INFO CALL (661) 831 8488

OCTOBER 27-28

PALOMAR SHOW & SALE
SATURDAY 9:00AM - 5:00PM, SUNDAY 10:00AM - 4:00PM
SAN DIEGO BOTANIC GARDENS
230 QUAIL GARDENS RD. ENCINITAS CA
FOR MORE INFO HCISERVICES@GMAIL.COM
CALL (858) 382 1797