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## Next Meeting

Wednesday Nov 10th, 2021  
Farmington Senior Center  
321 New Britain Ave, Unionville, CT

6:30 pm.: Doors open. Socializing.  
Come early and help set up.  
7:30 pm: Business meeting.  
8:00 pm: Featured speaker and/or  
presentation.

Please bring a snack for the  
refreshments table!  
Don't forget to bring your blooming  
plants for the show table!  
**Masks required!**

## Featured Event

Growing Orchids on  
Ceramic

## President's Message

Friends,

It's finally cold enough to bring your cymbidiums in! I hope everyone is enjoying autumn - hopefully no orchids are losing leaves too!

This month's meeting is at the senior center in Farmington as usual. Scott Leard is our guest speaker, an avid orchid grower and sculptor, who has combined his passions and is an expert in growing orchids on ceramic.

I will be bringing a few in spike orchids for sale, and some lovely Latouria type dendrobiums to show off, which do remarkably well as houseplants here.

Looking forward to seeing you all on the 10th of November!

Zac Mistry

## *Platanthera dilatata*



# HAVE IDEAS?

If you have ideas  
about the direction  
of the future of the  
society, please  
consider joining  
the board!

## Upcoming AOS Webinars

All webinars from 8:30-9:30PM EST

Registration at [www.aos.org](http://www.aos.org)

November 9: Tour of the Huntington  
Orchid Collection

At 8:30pm

November 11: Judging Albas

At 8:30pm

November 17: Greenhouse Chat

At 8:30pm



## Orchids in the News

Orchid Hunting in Tasmania: read more [here](#).

Floating Orchid Garden in Tokyo: read more [here](#).

Moth Predicted by Darwin and Wallace Found: read more [here](#).

## October Meeting Minutes

A small group of people enjoyed a nice informal meeting at the Farmington senior center. Christian brought in some really beautiful cattleyas, very large, with soft blue and white flowers. He also showed a *Spiranthes* species, which is a native plant in Connecticut. Zac brought for sale a variety of species, including bulbophyllums, dendrobiums, and unusual cymbidiums. One of the fascinating things about orchids is that after many years, we still see plants that are new to us. We are hoping for more in-person meetings after the pandemic subsides and also more participants.

### ***Cattleya* C.G. Roebling 'Sentinel'**





## October Show Table

<i>Cattleya</i> C.G. Roebling 'Blue Indigo'	C. Lesage	i, g*
<i>Cattleya</i> C.G. Roebling 'Sentinel'	C. Lesage	i, g
<i>Phalaenopsis lindenii</i>	C. Lesage	i, g
<i>Platanthera dilatata</i>	M. Wicki	i, g

\* c = cool, i=intermediate, w=warm  
g=greenhouse, l=lights, w=windowsill

## ***Cattleya* C.G. Roebling 'Blue Indigo'**



# *Phalaenopsis lindenii*



## Mentor List

The following COS members are available to answer your culture questions and help you with any orchid growing problems you may have.

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Vivarium growing methods, windowsill Cattleyas and species Phalaenopsis

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**COS Membership Dues:** \$20/yr. Individual \$25/yr. Family

\$200 Individual or \$250 Family Lifetime Membership (never pay dues again!) Visit [www.ctorchids.org](http://www.ctorchids.org) to apply for/renew membership. We accept Paypal.

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## Connecticut Orchid Society Mission Statement

The Connecticut Orchid Society is an incorporated, non-profit association for the preservation and extension of knowledge concerning the conservation, ecology, science, cultivation, hybridization, appreciation and uses of orchids; and to carry on such activities as may be necessary or desirable to effectuate such purposes.