



## JUNE EVENTS

**Potluck and Auction:** 11:30 a.m.–4 p.m. Saturday, 4 June  
Oglethorpe Presbyterian Church; see details below

**Monthly Meeting:** 8 p.m. Monday, June 13, 2022

Day Hall at the ABG: **Carson Barnes on Vandas**

*Bring your blooming plants for our monthly ribbon judging*

### Carson Barnes: Not your grandpappy's Vandas

Carson began growing orchids 50 years ago, and became interested in Vandas around the turn of the century, though it was one of the native ladyslippers that first bit him. He quickly found that he lived about eleven miles from Merritt Huntington and Kensington Orchids, who had just started importing interesting species while maintaining several houses of Cattleya hybrids for cut flowers. Carson worked for Rod McLellan in South San Francisco as their wholesale guy in the 1990s, and then went into business for himself. He's now done with all that. Carson is an accredited American Orchid Society judge, and from years of picking out one flower slightly better than the rest, he has had upwards of 50 plants awarded. His orchid collection is a rambunctious mix of all sorts of species and hybrids, some difficult and some easy to grow, of varying requirements. Carson and his wife moved to Georgia from the San Francisco Bay area in 2012 and are starting to settle in comfortably.

Carson will talk about some new *Vanda* breeding lines as well as some that are lesser known, in part due to a quarter of the species of *Vanda* being described in the last 40 or so years.



### AtLOS Potluck and Auction: Saturday, 4 June Potluck Luncheon: 11:30 a.m., Auction: 12:30–4 p.m.

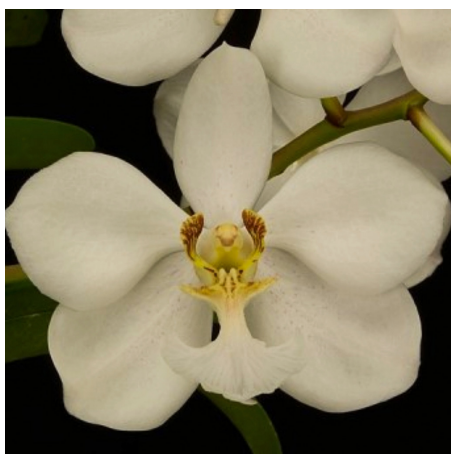
Please join us for a fun time at our annual auction and potluck lunch on June 4 at the Oglethorpe Presbyterian Church, 3016 Lanier Dr., NE, Brookhaven, GA 30319. Park in the lower parking lot off Woodrow Way; we will be in the lower building. Setup begins at 11 a.m., lunch will be served at 11:30 a.m., and the auction will be from 12:30 to 4 p.m.

Carson Barnes and David Mellard will be our Auctioneers this year. Carson, Mark Reinke, and Danny Lentz have put together a large collection of orchids for the auction. Jason Mills has pulled together an alphabetical list with pictures of the plants and basic cultural information for some of them. This list is available online

at [www.twyst.org/atlos/](http://www.twyst.org/atlos/). (Some items on the list might not be auctioned due to time constraints or if a particular plant is found to be in poor condition at the time of the auction.)

The auction is our main fundraiser for the year and provides most of our budget for speakers at the monthly meetings.

Thanks to those who provided donations and discounts for auction plants, including Mark Reinke (Marble Branch Farms), Ben Oliveros (Orchid Eros), Carson Barnes, Exotic Orchids of Maui, Nick Rust, Sunset Valley Orchids and Odom's Orchids.



*V. barnesii* 'Shapely' AM/AOS

*V. William Youngblood*  
(*V. Stephen Scott Young* [*tessellata* x *testacea*]  
x *usitii*)



*V. Crystell Smith* 'Frank Smith' AM/AOS  
(*V. insignis* x *perplexa*)

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## Culture Notes and Etc. for June 2022

Last month I wrote about repotting *Phalaenopsis*. Just remember if you have smaller novelty Phals, they are usually summer bloomers. If you haven't done so yet, you need to put them at the head of your potting line, so that they can develop properly and hopefully bloom.

To the new members that have not attended a live meeting: There is more to learn in person about orchids and growing than I can list. All the little bits and pieces of orchid growing adds up over time. It will be a good learning experience.

For newer growers, if you have developed a fondness for a specific genus, get

a book on that genus and start reading up on them. If you ask, we can give you the name of these books. There is always more to learn.

Last but not least, please come to the Atlanta Orchid Society's Orchid Auction, on Saturday, June 4. Jason Mills-Shoulta is working on the handbook for the auction. It will have the information about the plants you would like to bid on. It makes going to the auction easy to follow. Auctions are also a great way to expand your collection exponentially!

Did I mention that Orchid Auctions are FUN?

B. Barnett

## Become an AOS Judge

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## EVENTS CALENDAR

### June

4 – AtIOS Potluck and Auction

11 – AOS monthly judging

13 – Atlanta Orchid Society Monthly Meeting: Carson Barnes on Vandas

### July

9 – AOS monthly judging

11 – Atlanta Orchid Society Monthly Meeting

## Judges' Corner

The Deep South Orchid Society held their show at the Costal Botanical Gardens in Savannah on the weekend of April 9th, 2022. There were 139 plant entries in 7 different exhibits. Mark Reinke of Marble Branch Farms won the AOS Show Trophy which received 83 points. Three plants received AOS Awards. Photography by Jason Mills.

Award 20222063: AOS Show Trophy, 83 points, Marble Branch Farms.

Award 20222064: *Enanthleya* Jackie Bright 'Hilo Stars,' AM/AOS 84 points (*Ctt. Gold Digger* x *Encyclia randii*). Exhibitor: Louise Aronow.

Award 20222065: *Epicatcycilia* Bloody Nose 'MBF,' HCC/AOS 77 points (*Epicattleya* Rene Marquis x *Encyclia phoenicia*). Exhibitor: Marble Branch Farms.

Award 20222066: *Bc. North Miami* 'Florida Sun Coast,' CCM/AOS 82 points (*C. loddigesii* x *B. nodosa*). Exhibitor: Norm Schoppenhorst.

Judging will be held at 1 p.m. on the second Saturday of the month in the Garden Workroom located in the basement behind Day Hall of the Atlanta Botanical Garden. Also my contact should be:

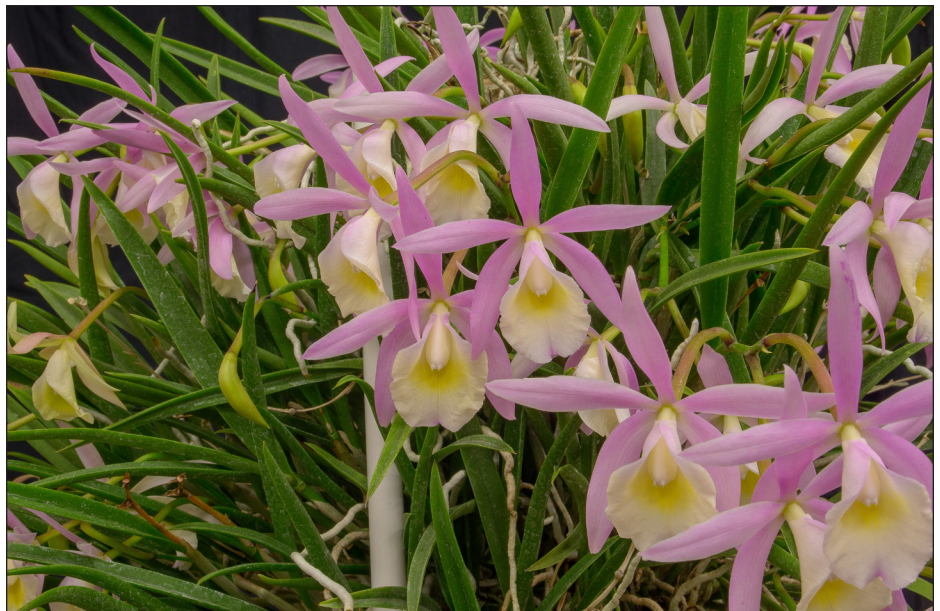
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AOS Show Trophy



*Enanthleya* Jackie Bright 'Hilo Stars'



*Bc. North Miami* 'Florida Sun Coast'

Mark Reinke's notes about the May, 2022, ribbon winners will appear in the July, 2022, newsletter.



*Epicatcycia* Bloody Nose 'MBF'



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