**Plant Registration Instructions for the Southern Tier Orchid Society Show**

**April 20-21, 2024**

All exhibitors (vendors, societies, individuals) must registertheir plants if they want them to be considered for a ribbon or AOS awardby **midnight on Thursday, April 18, 2024.**

*Absolutely no orchids will be registered on Friday, April 19.*

If needed, entries may be modified and/or deleted on Friday April 19, 2024 before or during Set-up.

*No registration changes will be accepted after 4pm Friday.*

For bulk entries, you may download a registration spreadsheet from our website and email the completed spreadsheet to stosorchids@gmail.com.

Remember, if you are unsure about your orchid, register it anyway. It is **much easier to delete** an entry than it is to add one.

**In which class does your plant belong?**

Read through all the classes in the appropriate group of the Plant Registration Classes list in this document before choosing your plant’s class. Place the plant in the first class in which it belongs. Miniatures in each group can be entered in any class or in the mini class (your choice). Plants with no id (Phals and others) may be registered if you know what class it likely should be in. STOS members who need help determining a class can contact Jeffrey Hackett or Carol Bayles by email - stosorchids@gmail.com. Others should contact a member of their society. If your plant is not registered in the correct class, it may not be eligible for judging.

**House Grown Plants** may not have been grown in a greenhouse for at least one year. Plants grown on a windowsill or under lights are considered House Grown. If you would like your plant to be considered for a house grown award, check the appropriate box. There will be one award for best House Grown over all.

**American Orchid Society (AOS) Awards require fee**

If your plant receives an AOS award, you will be billed by the AOS for the cost of registering your award(currently $40 for AOS members, $60 for non-members). If you do not pay the fee to the AOS you will be disqualified from future AOS awards. If this is a hardship, talk to your society members. Please indicate if you would like your plant to be considered for an AOS award. Judges may consider any registered plant for an AOS award.

**Award Categories**First, second, and third place ribbons will be awarded in all classes at the discretion of the judges. Best of Alliance (Group) ribbons will also be awarded for each Alliance (Group). These may also have ribbons for their class. There will be one Best House Grown over all (not per alliance).

**Group A: Exhibits**

Class 1. By amateurs with a maximum of 10 plants arranged for effect.

Class 2. By amateurs with 11 plants or more arranged for effect.

Class 3. By orchid societies affiliated with AOS with plants arranged for effect.

Class 4. By commercial growers with plants arranged for effect.

Class 5. Educational or artistic.

Best Display over all

**Group B: Cattleya Alliance** (incl:Brassavola, Laelia, Sophronitis, Broughtonia, Epidendrum and Encyclia, Potinara, etc)

Class 6. Species excluding Cattleya

Class 7. Hybrids excluding Cattleya

Class 8. Cattleya species

Class 9. Cattleya hybrids, intergeneric hybrids white (may have yellow lip)

Class 10. Cattleya hybrids, intergeneric hybrids lavender

Class 11. Cattleya hybrids, intergeneric hybrids orange or red

Class 12. Cattleya hybrids, intergeneric hybrids other or mixed colors

Class 13. Cattleya alliance, miniature (6” or less, NOT including inflorescence).

 Miniatures may not be entered in other Group B classes

Best in Cattleya Alliance

**Group C: Cymbidium Alliance (**incl: Ansellia, Grammatophyllum, Eulophia, etc)

Class 14. Cymbidium and allied genera - species

Class 15. Allied genera hybrids, excluding Cymbidium

Class 16. Cymbidium hybrids – standard

Class 17. Cymbidium hybrids – miniature

Best in Cymbidium Alliance

**Group D: Paphiopedilum Alliance**

Class 18. Paph species: Multifloral (rothschildianum, philippinense, etc)

Class 19. Paph species: all others

Class 20 Paph hybrids: Multifloral

Class 21. Paph hybrids: Maudiae type

Class 22. Paph hybrids: complex (Bull Dog Paphs)

Class 23. Phragmipedium species or hybrids not containing Phrag. Besseae or Kovachii

Class 24. Phragmipedium species or hybrids containing Phrag. Besseae or Kovachii

Best in Paphiopedilum Alliance

**Group E: Phalaenopsis and Vanda Alliance** (incl Ascocentrum, Neofinetia, etc) if Neofinetia is to be judged on leaves, enter in class 58

Class 25. Vanda or other species excluding Phalaenopsis

Class 26. Vanda or other hybrids and intergenerics excluding Phalaenopsis

Class 27. Phal species

Class 28. Phal hybrids, white

Class 29. Phal hybrids, white with colored lip

Class 30. Phal hybrids, white with markings

Class 31. Phal hybrids, pink or magenta

Class 32. Phal hybrids, pink or magenta with markings

Class 33. Phal hybrids, yellow or green with or without any markings

Class 34. Phal hybrids, all others, plain

Class 35. Phal hybrids, all others with markings or colored lip

Class 36. Miniatures (flowers < 2” wide), may not be entered in other Group E classes

Best in Phalaenopsis and Vanda Alliance

**Group F: Dendrobium Alliance**

Class 37. Species

Class 38. Hybrids - Nobile type

Class 39. Hybrids - all other types

Class 40. Miniatures - may not be entered in other Group F classes

Best in Dendrobium Alliance

**Group G: Oncidium Alliance**

Class 41. Oncidium or Tolumnia species

Class 42. Oncidium or Tolumnia hybrids

Class 43. Brassia species, hybrids and intergenerics

Class 44. Odontoglossum (and related) species, hybrids and intergenerics

Class 45. Miltoniopsis and Miltonia species and hybrids

Class 46. Species, other than above

Class 47. Hybrids and intergenerics, other than above

Class 48. Miniatures incl Tolumnia - may not be entered in other Group G classes

Best in Oncidium Alliance

**Group H: Pleurothallid Alliance**

Class 49. Masdevallia species, hybrids and intergenerics

Class 50. Dracula species and hybrids

Class 51 Pleurothallis species and hybrids

Class 52. Other genera, species and hybrids

Class 53. Miniatures - may not be entered in other Group H classes

Best in Pleurothallid Alliance

**Group I: Other genera and botanicals**

Class 54. Lycaste species, hybrids and intergenerics

Class 55. Catasetum and allied genera

Class 56. Stanhopea and allied genera

Class 57. Bulbophyllum and allied genera, species and hybrids

Class 58. Jewel Orchids, Neofinetia, and others grown for foliage (need not be in bloom)

Class 59. Species other than above and not in any other Class

Class 60. Hybrids other than above and not in any other Class

Class 61. Miniatures - may not be entered in other Group I classes

Best in Group I

**Group J: Works of Art (of an Orchid Subject)**

Class 62. Photograph by an Adult

Class 63. Painting, Drawing, Sculpture or Other Media by an Adult of an Orchid Subject

Class 64. Photograph by a Student, Grades K – 12

Class 65. Painting, Drawing, Sculpture or Other Media by a Student, Grades K – 12

End of Plant Registration Classes

Plants with no id may still be registered if you know what class it likely should be in.