

# KAIMUKI ORCHID SOCIETY

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# HAPPY VALENTINE'S DAY

## GREETINGS FROM PRESIDENT MICHELE

It seems that Time is passing us by so quickly. The beginning of February and the start of Chinese New Year seems like yesterday when we are in fact at mid month.

Hope that all of you watched the video of Honolulu Orchid's last zoom meeting that Alan forwarded to all of you. It was really interesting. Rain water is so special! Guy has been supportive with my rain water collection but now he is getting sick of looking at all of the bottled rain water all over the place. I began collecting and using rain water from the middle of last year. I thought that I saw a difference in stronger roots.

Sad to say that we will be saying ALOHA to Ingrid in a few months. She and her husband have decided to return to live on the mainland to be closer to family. Would anyone like to be our next membership chairperson? Please let one of our board members know if you are interested. Let's hope that we can all meet again soon.

I would like to thank Jan Nogawa and Evie for helping me make things (bags, scrubbies, cards, runners) to sell to friends and family during this pandemic. We still need money for our insurance, post office box and other miscellaneous things. I would also like to thank Alan for continuing to be our newsletter editor so we can all stay connected.

Hope to see you soon and a Happy Valentine's Day to all.

Michele



### Phal. Intermedia Time

These fun plants are starting to bloom. Blossoms are small (about 1.5 inches across), delicate, and can be profuse, depending in part on age of plant. Plants are easy to grow and always enjoyable particularly when in bloom. These a first blooms, plant. above right, making its debut for owner Shelly Miyahara.

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### VIRTUAL MEETINGS

Please keep an eye out for notifications to join the virtual meetings of the Honolulu and Kunia Orchid Societies. In addition to the great presentations, there are plant auctions and lucky number prizes. Several KOS members have won some nice prizes. Several KOS members have received prizes. There are also provisions for on-line sharing of your favorite plants. All are invited, so consider attendance if your schedules permit.

### SHARE YOUR HANDI- WORK

Photos of your plant handiwork are always a welcome for sharing with fellow members via publication in the newsletter. Please submit to Alan Mai at above specified email address

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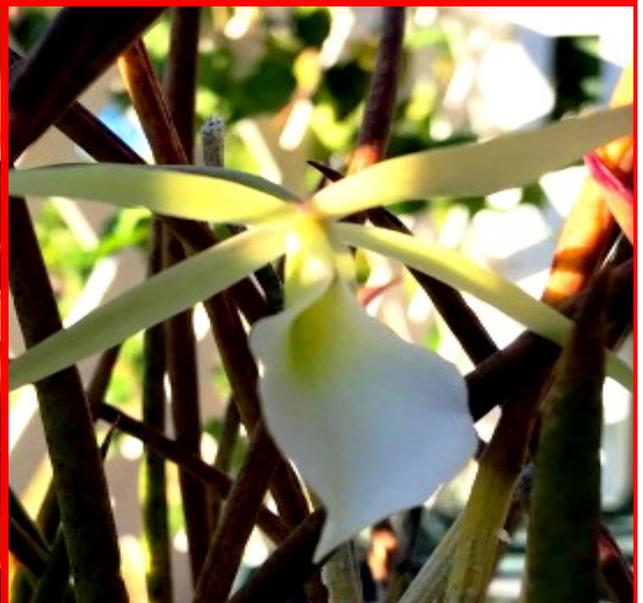
**Noname**  
These delicate blossoms just decided to show up.



Elegant blooms, unfortunately with no name, submitted by  
Shelly Miyahara



**Michele's Pineapple Crop Starting To Crank Up**



**Another Noname, Testing Our Curiosities.**

### **Dendrobium anosmum**

Honohono to most of us, is a species native to Southeast Asia. It has evolved to epiphyte growth meaning that it has naturally adapted to growth on tree branches and trunks, with roots that absorb water and nutrients. The plants thrive on good ventilation and when potted need media that allows good drainage. The plant can be sensitive to salt build up so regular flushing is required. February is near the end of the dormancy period and we can look forward to blossoms that will follow.