

# KAIMUKI ORCHID SOCIETY

## MARCH 2022

Kaimuki Orchid  
Society, Inc.

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### GREETINGS FROM PRESIDENT MICHELE

Hi Everyone,

It is already March. Unbelievable! Hope that we will soon get an okay to meet monthly at the Kilauea Recreation Center. Plan is to have the Board meet soon to discuss actions once we get approval to meet again. A topic to discuss will be the reinstitution of annual dues, as the collection of dues, with the exception of new member sign ups, has been on hold since the pandemic began.

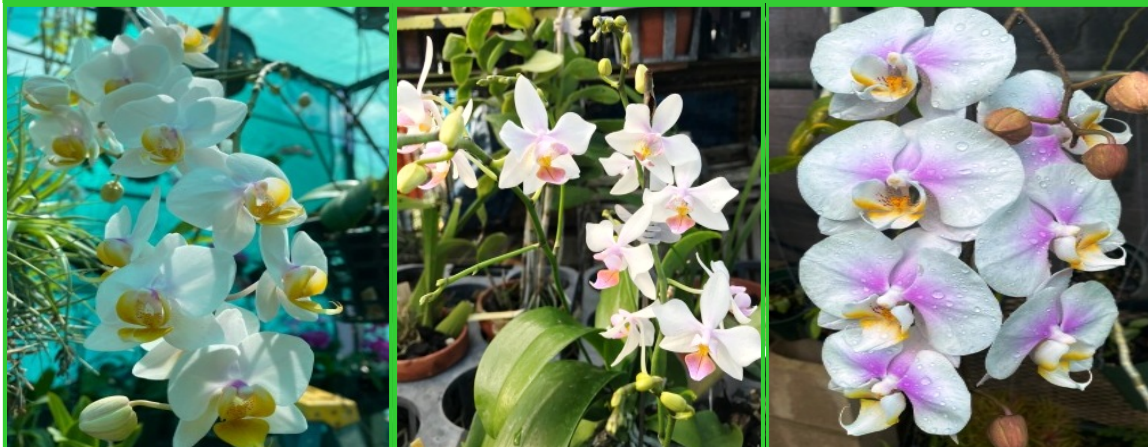
Membership chairperson, Ingrid Meyer, will be leaving the islands soon to be closer to family on the mainland. Her contributions, including the preparation and maintenance of membership data, will be sorely missed. It is hoped that there will be a volunteer to join the Board and assume her duties. As such, it is a good time to sign up and get more involved with club management. New members, board participation, and new ideas are always welcome. The Honolulu and Kunia Orchid Societies have done a great job with their Zoom meetings with their open invitations to participate. I am trying to think of something that KOS might be able to do. If any of you have suggestions, creative ideas, etc. please let any of the board members know. Having some small group hands-on sessions or even a safari visit are considerations for starters. Let us hear from you. Share with us what you are doing and how your orchids are doing. Remember to send in pictures of your orchids now in bloom to Alan.

On a sad note, we wish to let those who have not already heard, that we have lost a member of Kaimuki Orchid Society. Masa Otsuji passed away recently (see Memorium below). He will be surely missed by all who knew him.

Thank you Curt for the discount on the website maintenance fees. It helps. Thank you to Jan and Alan who are always helping me behind the scenes and also to Jan, Evie, and Alice M. for their donations for our craft table. We raised almost \$500.00 just before Christmas.

Have a Happy Orchid Day! Stay safe. Hope to see you all soon.

Michele



### Phalaenopsis Busting Out All Over

Phalaenopsis, sometimes referred to as the moth orchid, is one of the favorites of backyard growers. The plants do well in the locale climates (75 to 85 degrees), prefer low to medium light, and humidity in the 50 to 80 percent range. Watering is critical as phals have no major water storage organs other than their leaves. Plants should be thoroughly watered then not watered again until nearly dry.

### IN MEMORIUM

One of the stalwarts of backyard orchid culture, Mr. Masa Otsuji, passed away peacefully late last month. Masa was a long time member of KOS as well as a member of several other societies including the Hawaii Kai and Honolulu clubs. His contributions to the enjoyment of orchid culture in terms of sage advice, generous sharing, and lots of encouragement to novice growers was unmatched. The Board, on behalf of KOS members, offers our sincere sympathy and deepest condolences to Keiko and the Otsuji Ohana. Services:

Date: March 18, 2022

Location: Hosoi Mortuary

Time: 2:00 p.m.

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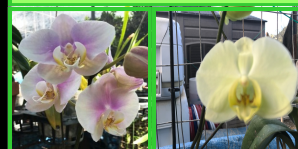
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The monthly, 6:00 p.m., 1st Tues. General Meetings, Kilauea Rec Center, remain cancelled until further notice!



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**Honohono Arriving (Above)**  
**Orchid Medley (Below) - D. maiki, a prolific dendrobium, Rth. Fuchs Orange Nugget,**  
**D. Jaquelyn Thomas 'Uniwai Pearl',**

