



## JANUARY 2017 NEWSLETTER

The Colorado Springs Orchid Society will have its January 2017 meeting on Saturday the 28th at Fire Station #14, 1875 Dublin Blvd. The fire station is at the intersection of Academy and Dublin behind Yorkshire Veterinary Clinic. From Academy Blvd, turn east onto Dublin, then take the first right. The meeting starts at 10:00 AM with social time and set-up between 9:30 AM and 10:00 AM. See our website for directions and a map.

The club provides plants each month for the raffle and members are encouraged to donate divisions of their plants for the raffle table. Raffle tickets are \$1 each. Bring your blooming orchids for Show & Tell and receive a free raffle ticket.



This month refreshments will be provided by those whose last name begin with the letters S to Z. Since we did not have a meeting last month, those whose last name begin with the letters M to R may bring in something sometime or not.

**Membership Renewal Notice:** Annual dues need to be paid by January 31, 2017 - \$15.00 individual members or \$22.50 family. – Everyone needs to pay dues even if you just joined this summer. I will be at the January meeting or you can mail a check made out to CSOS and send to me – Kathy LaBree, 5520 Canvasback Ct., Colorado Springs, CO 80918 if you will not be at the meeting. **A \$5.00 late fee will be added after 1/31/17.** If you are purchasing plants and/or raffle tickets at the meeting, you can just write one check and under footnote let me know what you are paying for. Thanks much Kathy

## President's Message

Happy New Year!!

Here we all are, looking forward to another year of the trials and tribulations of trying to grow great orchid plants with their wonderful, unbelievably large flowers. And hopefully getting the best of those funguses, bacteria, varmints and creepy crawlies that incessantly plague us in spite of all our best efforts and expensive treatments. Yeah, that's what New Year's is all about.

Well, it is winter time. I missed seeing all your smiling faces in December. Weather permitting, we will be able to get together on the 28th. Robin was relieved that we called off the December meeting as she was worried about possible exposure of our raffle plants to the elements. The down side was that she has had to care for those plants for the last month.

The good part is that now we get our Christmas Party in January!

Weather permitting again!!

Good Luck and Good Growing,

Roger Stone  
President  
Colorado Springs Orchid Society

The following information about an event at the Denver Botanic Gardens was brought to our attention by Jean Garren. Thanks for sharing, Jean!

## Orchid Showcase 2017 – A Victorian Obsession

**Escape the cold of winter and be transported to a floral wonderland in the Orangery and Marnie's Pavilion as they present their annual Orchid Showcase.**

Jan. 6 - Feb. 20, 2017 at their York Street location

This event is included with admission to the Gardens  
Free admission for members

You may get tickets on the Denver Botanic Gardens website at <http://www.botanicgardens.org/exhibits/orchid-showcase-2017> or at the door.

Enjoy a winter escape with a stroll through the annual Orchid Showcase in the Orangery and Marnie's Pavilion. Hundreds of exotic blooms are featured from common specimens to rare orchids that are part of the Gardens' living collection. The Showcase is a great idea for a Valentine's Day activity.

Fantasy Orchids will be on site selling orchids in the Orangery:

- Friday, Jan. 6, 6-9:30 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 14, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Jan. 28, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 11, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.
- Saturday, Feb. 18, 9 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Members will receive a 10 percent discount on purchases by presenting a valid membership card.



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## **Orchid Photo Contest**

- Share photos taken at the Gardens' Orchid Showcase on your Instagram feed or on the Gardens' Facebook wall and use **#dbgcontest** to be entered in the contest.
- Two entries per person. Entry deadline is Monday, Feb. 20 at 11:59 p.m.
- Three winners will receive an orchid plant from the Showcase.
- Free to enter but must pay Gardens admission to capture photos.
- If interested party is not on social media, email photos to [erin.bird@botanicgardens.org](mailto:erin.bird@botanicgardens.org).

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**720-865-3501** Information Desk

**720-865-3500** General Information

# CSOS 2017 Calendar

January 28 – Open  
Refreshments S – Z

February 25 – Open  
Refreshments A – F

March 25 – Open  
Refreshments G – L

April 22 – Member Plant Sale  
Refreshments M – R

May 27 – Open  
Refreshments S – Z

June 24 – Open  
Refreshments A – F

July 22 – Open  
Refreshments G – L

August 26 – Open  
Refreshments M – R

September 23 – Plant Auction  
Refreshments S – Z

October 28 – Open  
Refreshments A – F

November 18 – Open  
Refreshments G – L

December 16 – Open  
Refreshments M – R