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Meeting Fourth Saturday, January 27

11:00 am—3:00 pm

Community Center, 210 E. Park Ave.

Escondido, CA

- Brag Plant Table: Plants must be labeled and on the table no later than 11:45 am to be judged.
- Benefit drawing and exchange tables and auction will all be held.
- Library will be available. Please return books from prior months' checkout.
- Plant of the month: **Aeonium**

January's speaker,

Brandi Eide



The Role of Botanic Gardens...

Brandi Eide is the Senior Director of Facilities and Strategic Projects at San Diego Botanic Garden.

See page two for details and complete topic..

Welcome New Newsletter Editor!

As of February, our new Cactus Courier editor is our own Alexandria (Alex) Clark. As an analytical scientist herself, Alex has some exciting ideas about streamlining the newsletter .

If you have items to submit for the February newsletter, please send them to Alex no later than Feb. 13. Thank you!

Submit your items to Alex:

redpumelo@gmail.com

BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION RESULTS

President - 2 year term - David Buffington

Vice President - 1 year term - Kevin Smith

Treasurer - 2 year term - Teri Shusterman

Member at Large - 2 year term - Brita Miller

Huge thank you to everyone who has made my time as newsletter editor enjoyable and informative. Many thanks to proofreaders, Wanda, Brita, Annie, and Lorie. It's no accident that newsletters go out nearly error-free! Great thanks to members for submitting Home Garden Brag Plants (this month is stellar!), club notices, items of interest, flyers, and suggestions. Best to all, Charlyne

January's Speaker

Brandi Eide

The role of botanic gardens in the display and conservation of cactus and succulents (A photo journey of succulent gardens around the world)



Brandi Eide is the Senior Director of Facilities and Strategic Projects at San Diego Botanic Garden where she is responsible for the day-to-day operations of the Garden's facilities, and leads construction and other special projects to improve the Garden's collections, infrastructure, visitor amenities and facilities. Prior to joining SDBG, she managed the science and garden departments at Springs Preserve, a 180 acre preserve and botanical garden in Las Vegas, NV; served as a museum scientist at University of California, Berkeley, Botanical Garden; and worked in several positions at Desert Botanical

Garden, including managing the conservation collection and non-cactus succulent collection.

Brandi has developed and managed plant collections and databases, participated in field collection and restoration efforts for conservation status taxa, and in situ and ex situ research involving invasive and endemic monitoring. She has worked with seed collection, seed storage and testing, propagation of difficult taxa, and has led educational outreach, botanical and conservation interpretation and programming for the public.

Also at the January Meeting

- January is one of two months when members may display brag plants in plastic nursery pots. (July is the other.) That means we have no excuse not to bring that gorgeous plant that we seem never to get around to repotting for show!
- Looks like we have just three people signed up to bring food to the meeting. We're lucky that most folks bring something with or without signing up. Thanks for bringing lunch-worthy items. **By the way, the kitchen crew requests that we all cut up our food items into serving sized portions before bringing them. It seems we've been leaving that task for them to do, and it takes extra time. Thanks!**
- **Thanks to everyone that has already renewed membership. The member directory will include everyone who has renewed by the end of February, so to be included, be sure to renew before then. The Cactus Courier is sent to everyone in the member directory, so to keep your copy coming, renew now!**
- **Since the Spring Festival is coming up in April, if you're planning to pot and root some cuttings to sell or to donate to PCSS to sell, this might be the perfect time to start.**



Holiday Party Recap



What a celebration it was! Many thanks to everyone that brought food to share, and special thanks to Eleanore for making and bringing the turkey, stuffing, and her sensational gravy! Thanks to all the members who worked hard in the kitchen so we could enjoy a luscious meal!

Huge thanks go to everyone who came early to set up, to Brita and Annie for picking up our wonderful gift plants, to Sherman for managing the decorations. All together the party was a spectacular event and loads of fun for us all!





Alluring Aeoniums

Lorie Johansen



Aeonium 'Super Bang'

Aeonium consists of approximately 35 species of small to medium-sized subtropical succulents in the Crassulaceae family native to parts of northern Africa, Canary Islands, Cape Verde Islands and Madeira. These plants are grown primarily for their attractive rosettes of waxy leaves which may be solid green, green variegated with creamy yellow, bronzy-purple, or dark purple. Mature plants of *A. arboretum* and related hybrids grow about 3 feet tall. As the plants grow new leaves, older leaves eventually die and fall off, leaving a clump of leaves at the end of naked stems on old plants. Other species, such as *A. tabuliforme* and *A. smithii* do not develop long stems and always remain compact. Other species of Aeonium vary in size (ranging in height from 1½ to 6 feet), branching pattern, and color.

Aeoniums are monocarpic, however on branching varieties, only the rosette that produced the flower will die, leaving the rest of the plant to live on. In the summer dormancy period, they will lose leaves and look withered until they plump up again with cooler temperatures and rain fall. The rosettes close to protect their vital cores from sunburn and desiccation.

CULTURAL REQUIREMENTS:

Light - All the aeoniums love direct sunlight and warm temperatures. Place the plants in full sun to partial shade and watch them thrive. They may require shade during the scorching summer conditions, especially for people living in hot desert regions.

Water – Aeoniums are winter growers flourishing with winter rains. When watering in the winter months, ensure that the top two inches of the soil are dry. Avoid overwatering. During the dormant summer months, avoid watering.

Temperature requirements - The plants grow well in the Mediterranean climate. The aeoniums grow from winter to spring. The ideal Aeonium temperature is between 65 to 75 degrees Fahrenheit. They do not tolerate frost.

Aeonium pruning - Aeoniums do not need regular pruning as they are usually tidy but may become very leggy during dormancy. It is common to cut the rosette top, replant, and throw the legs away. Mature rosettes produce flower stalks about 8 inches long in winter with conical clusters of flowers at the end of the stem. The small, star-shaped flowers may be creamy white, yellowish, golden, pink or red, depending on the species or cultivar. In all species, the rosettes die after blooming. Therefore, a branching species will continue to grow after flowering, while single-headed species can only be propagated by seeds. All the unbranched species are less common in cultivation because they must be grown from seed.



Aeonium 'Sunburst'

PESTS AND DISEASES:



Aeonium 'Garnet'

At this time of year, aeoniums are thriving, plump, pretty and vulnerable to snails and slugs feasting on the luscious rosettes which causes unsightly damage. They generally hide during the day and feed at night especially during rainy, wet and damp weather conditions. You can reduce the numbers by dawning a head lamp and collecting them in the wee hours of the night or an easier but more expensive solution is spreading pet safe Sluggo

pellets around the plants. Also remove unnecessary hiding places near aeoniums such as old pots, pieces of wood, or large rocks. Maintaining a clean area around the plants will help reduce snail and slug numbers.

Caterpillars can be a problem in spring generally attacking the new growing tips. You may only notice their appearance by unusual masses of frass (caterpillar excrement) and cobwebbing on the foliage. Control is either physical removal or with an appropriate insecticide for caterpillars and/or chewing insects. Don't use an oil-based insecticide as it can damage the leaves.

Cricket and grasshopper damage are possible throughout the warmer months. These chewing insects generally cause minor damage, eating the outer leaves and making the plants look unsightly. If the problem is severe, a systemic insecticide for chewing insects could be used but the damage may still occur before the insect has succumbed to the effects of the insecticide.



Aeonium
'Irish Bouquet'

If you notice ants, you probably have aphids too as this duo enjoys hosting together. Aphids secrete sugary honeydew which is farmed by the ants. Aphids are sucking insects that reproduce from eggs as well as give birth to young, enabling a large population in a short amount of time. You may notice distorted growth and an abundance of insects congregating on the underside of the leaves or on the stem. If the problem is minor, a jet blast of water may be adequate to control the infestation. If more treatment is needed, use 70% isopropyl alcohol.

One of the worst pests are mealy bugs as they LOVE aeoniums. There are many products available for mealy bug control but as the insects can be hidden within the foliage, it may be best to use a systemic rather than a just a spray. Repeat sprays are usually required and if infestations are severe, it may be best to discard the whole plant, including the soil.

With the multitude of cultivars and hybrids, it will be fun to see what arrives on the brag table. I hope someone brings A. 'Pink Witch,' 'Plum Thumb,' 'Cupcake,' or 'Super Bang'.

REFERENCES:

<https://www.aeoniumaustralia.com.au/pages/whats-wrong-with-my-aeonium>

<https://hort.extension.wisc.edu/articles/aeonium/>

<https://thedrurys.com/plant-profiles/all-aeoniums/aeoniums-new-variegatedcultivars>



Home Garden Brag Plants



Tom McCarter's
Aechmea gamosepala.



Pauline Wong's
Crested Aeonium decorum
'Sunburst'



Pauline Wong's use of succulents to solve a problem::

"One way to prevent neighborhood cat from pooping in fallow raised bed during winter."



Kathy McNair's

Mammillaria bombycina



Mammillaria lauii subducta



Kathy McNair's
Aloe hemmingii



Tom McCarter's
Aloe aborescens





Terrell Barnhart's "Aloes in Wonderland"



Kalanchoe 'Flapjack'



From Stacy Day

Aeonium, about 14" in dia.



Sedum 'Little Missy' and Dudleya



Aloe sp.



Aloe 'Erick the Red'

From Lorie Johansen

Lorie
Johansen's
Aloe 'Krakatoa'



Jeff McNair's
Sedaveria Sorento



Jeff McNair's
Fouquieria purpusii



Sherman Blench's
Aloe ferox



Jeff McNair's
Fouquieria
fasciculata



Tina Zucker's
Aloe barberae



Tina Zucker's
Bromeliad neorgelia purple



Tina Zucker's
Sinningia sp.



Moni Waiblinger's
Hoya 'Shooting Star'



Moni Waiblinger's
Euphorbia 'Candelabra'



Moni Waiblinger's
Euphorbia tirucalli
'Sticks on Fire'

Jamaye Despaigne's
Tradescantia
'Pink Panther'





From Chris Sangster
Agaves



Garden View



From Bernie Mases

Euphorbia millii

Dasyliirion longissimum

Agave 'Sharkskin'

'Crown of Thorns'



From Deborah
Pearson

Ice plant with
Purple People
Eater flower





Sedum dasyphyllum 'Lilac Mound'



Sherry Hunga-Moore
Crassula falcata 'Helicopter Plant'



Dudleya



Othonna triplinervia



Aloe arborescens



Tillandsia secunda





Lois Walag's

Senecio barbertonicus, over 8ft. Tall!



John Barkley's

Pelargonium sp. winter growers



John Barkley's

Tylecodon wallichii



John Barkley's

Dioscorea elephantipes, 2 plants with very different leaves



Robert Kopfstein's

Aloe marlothii

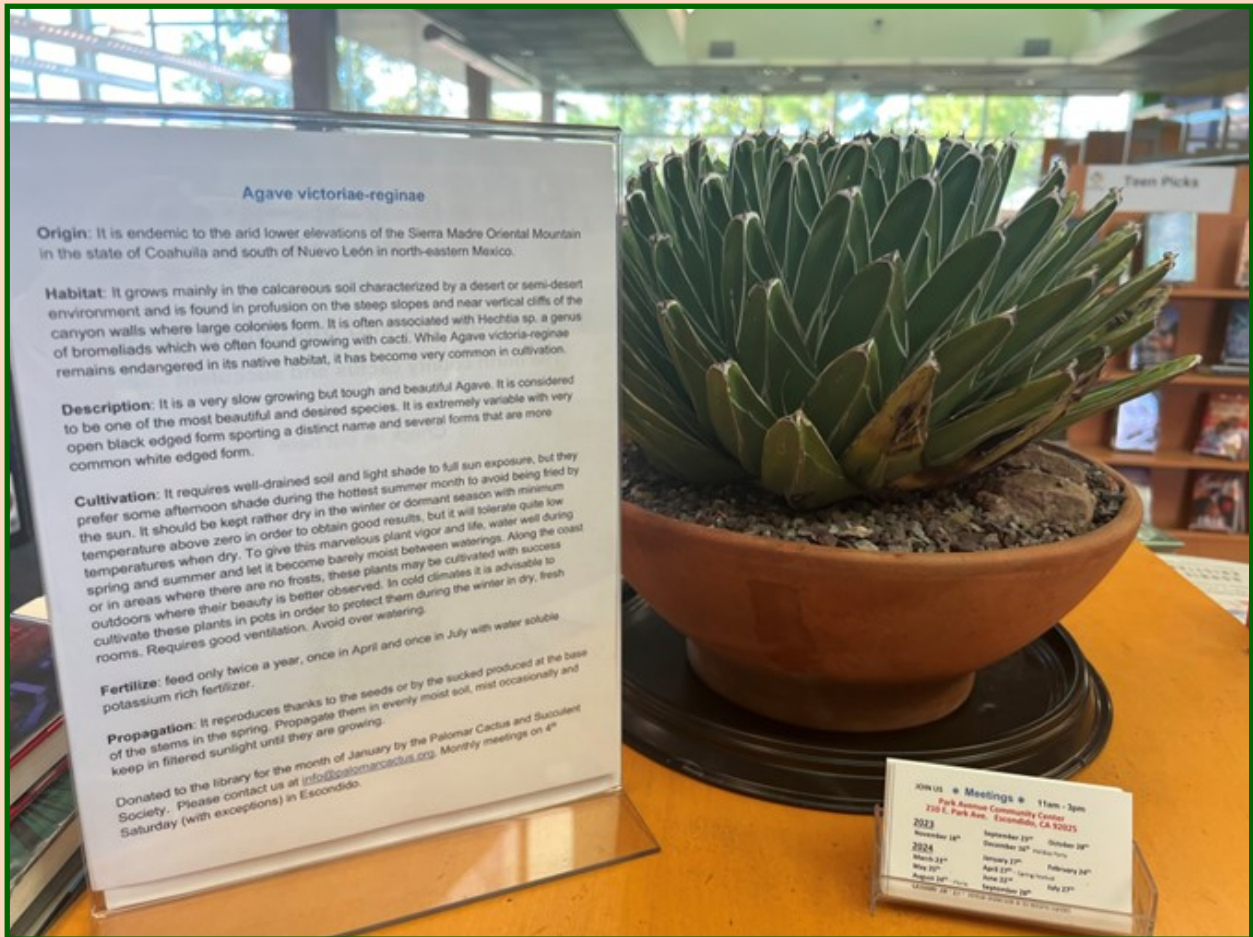


Candy and Jerry Garner's

Plieospilos compactuscanus

San Marcos Library Plant of the Month

This month we continue to support San Marcos Library's Plant of the Month program with Mike Nelson's *Agave victoriae-reginae*. Library patrons are able to view Mike's gorgeous plant up close and read an information sheet about it.



An Invitation for PCSS Members

Succulent Garden Party/Coffee in the Garden, January 20, 2024 (Saturday) from 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.
Rick Bjorklund & Kevin Hosmer's place, 4728 Allied Road, San Diego, 619-417-5008



We are very happy to finally host a Coffee in the Garden / Succulent Garden Party again after a long hiatus due to the pandemic. Our garden is often a congested laboratory as Rick is an avid collector of unusual succulents and cacti and rearranges to fit in new acquisitions while Kevin selectively hybridizes (Haworthias, dwarf aloes, agaves) and plants most any seeds available!

It's been a busy time in the garden recently. Almost every area has been remodeled. Out front, there is now a sea of echeverias and relatives beneath palo verde 'Desert Museum', a grouping of mostly toothless blue Agave titanotas/oteris, and variegated adolescent Agave ovariole's 'Killer' and 'Jack Frost'. A cluster of young Agave vilmoriniana 'Stained Glass' should mature into a multi-headed clump which can be a spectacular way to grow them. They should ultimately bloom with multiple spires of spiraling flowers along each towering inflorescence. Anticipated cool, rainy weather should incite a number of bi-colored aloes to bloom in January including A. cryptopoda, lutescens, and 'Vulcan's Fire along with a growing collection of yellow and pink flowered Othonnas, and various mesembs (mostly afternoon bloomers). Other winter grows are waking up including aeoniums, kalanchoes, and crassulas. The garden includes many other genera of succulents, with interesting and sometimes unique architectures. There are larger cacti plantings both in the front and rear with many interspersed South African bulbs. Most plants are labeled so visitors can identify plants they may wish to add to their own gardens.



I am very excited that Hernan Morales of Succulents Maryo nursery and his wife Susan will be here this year as a guest vendor and he will do a few talks related to succulents. They own Maryo Succulents nursery located in Vista, CA which they started about five years ago. They began growing ceropegias which they propagated and sold to the public and they became known throughout the US. Ask him about some of his very hard to find cecropias—I know personally that he has some very exciting and interesting ones! They love plants and are collectors and sellers. They decided having rare and hard to obtain succulents that are not usually available locally (or in the US in my opinion) would be an interesting business. They have a very wide variety of unusual succulents and cacti available for sale at their nursery by appointment only. I hope you will take advantage of meeting Hernan and Susan at the party and seeing some of what they have available for sale. They accept credit card, Venmo, or cash. (My plants are cash only please). He is a great guy to talk with, and a wonderfully knowledgeable and experienced grower.



We hope you drop by to chat about gardening and plants, meet Hernan and Susan, party with fellow attendees and us, and have some beverages and Rick's homemade appetizers and desserts!

2024 CACTUS AND SUCCULENT & EPIPHYLLUM CALENDAR OF UPCOMING EVENTS

Last updated – 12/26/2023 EMAIL CHANGES TO JGIMPLANTS@AOL.COM

- FEB. 9-11** **SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE**
Sale Fri.-Sat. 8am-5pm, Sun. 8am-4pm Show Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 9am-4pm
Info. Manny Rivera 626-780-6957 or James Lemos 626-201-5519
Arcadia Masonic Center, 50 W Duarte Rd., Arcadia, CA
- FEB. 10** **SAN DIEGO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE**
Balboa Park, Room 101, San Diego, CA Info. call 619-990-2051
- MAR. 1-3** **FRESNO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE**
Daily 10am-5pm Admission free with paid admission to the Fresno Home & Garden Show
Fresno fairgrounds, Garden Pavilion, 1121 S. Chance Ave., Fresno, CA
- MAR. 22-23** **ORANGE COUNTY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE**
Fri. noon-6pm, Sat. 9am-4pm Info. call 657-549-0702
1000 S. State College Bl., (Anaheim United Methodist Church) Anaheim, CA
- APRIL 12- 14** **MONTEREY BAY AREA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE AND JUDGED SHOW**
Fri. 3pm-6pm members only, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 9am-3pm
Info mbacsspresident@gmail.com or mbsucculent.org
ISTW Portuguese Hall, 124 Atkinson Lane, Watsonville, CA 95076
- APR. 14** **CONEJO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE 9AM-4PM**
Info. www.conejocss.com or conejocss@hotmail.com
558 N. Ventu Park Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320
- APR. 13-14** **SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Daily 9am-4pm Info. www.southcoastcss.org or call 310-346-6206
Palos Verdes Art Center, 5504 Crestridge Rd., Rancho Palos Verdes, CA
- TBA** **LOS ANGELES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SALE**
Info. www.lacactus.com
- APR. 27-28** **SAN JOSE CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 10am-4pm Info. www.csss.org
Peterson Middle School, 1380 Rosalia Avenue, Sunnyvale, CA
- APR. 27** **PALOMAR CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING FESTIVAL**
Sat. 11am-3pm C&S sales and free workshops on growing C&S
The Park Ave. Community Center, 210 E. Park Ave., Escondido, CA
- APR. 28** **HUNTINGTON SPRING PLANT SALE - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**
10am-5pm Info. Reservations- www.huntington.org, Sale call 626-405-3571
Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino, CA
- MAY 3-5** **SACRAMENTO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Daily 9am-5pm Info. www.sacramentocss.com
Shepard Garden and Arts Center, 3330 McKinley Blvd., Sacramento, CA
- MAY 4** **EPIPHYLLUM SOCIETY OF AMERICA SHOW AND SALE**
9am-4pm Info. www.epiphyllums.org or call 909-438-8242
San Marino Masonic Hall, 3130 Huntington Dr., San Marino, CA

- MAY 4-5 SUNSET SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. Show noon-4pm, Sale 9am-4pm, Sun. Show & Sale 9am-4pm Info. 310-822-1783
Veterans Memorial Center, Teen Center, 4117 Overland Ave., Culver City, CA(**OVER**)
- MAY 5 LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB SHOW AND SALE**
noon-4pm Info. call 714-553-6914
Women's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower, CA 90706
- MAY 10-11 GATES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SALE**
Daily 9am-4pm Info. www.gatescactusandsucculentsociety.com or call 909-910-9195
Redlands Church of The Nazarene, 1307 E. Citrus Ave., Redlands, CA 92374
- MAY 11 SANTA BARBARA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
10am-3pm, Members early entry 9:30am Info. <https://sbcactus.org/show-and-sale/>
Santa Barbara Women's Club, 670 Mission Canyon Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93105
- MAY 11-12 SAN DIEGO EPIPHYLLUM SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. 9am-4pm Early Bird Sale Only (no show) Casa del Prado Patio
Sun. Sale 9am-4pm, Show 11am-4pm, Room 101, Casa del Prado
Balboa Park, San Diego, CA Info. www.sdepis.org or call 858-565-0340
- TBA SAN FRANCISCO EPIPHYLLUM SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
- MAY 18-19 CARMICHAEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. 9am-4pm, Sun. 9am-2:30pm, Info. lldewe@gmail.com or www.ccandss.com
Carmichael Park Clubhouse, 5750 Grant Ave., Carmichael, CA
- MAY 25 EPIPHYLLUM CONFERENCE XVII (EpiCon 17) SAT. 8:30AM-5PM**
California Center for the Arts (<https://artcenter.org/>) 340 N. Escondido Blvd., Escondido, CA
Cost is \$65 per person and includes lunch.
Register online at <https://sdepis.org/>. Deadline for registration is May 11.
Conference Contacts: Mildred Mikas, mvmikas@cox.net or Pat Neal, pneal@san.rr.com
- MAY 25-26 CENTRAL COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 10am-4pm Info. rskillin@gmail.com or www.centralcoastcactus.org
Nipomo High School, 525 N. Thompson Ave., Nipomo, CA
- JUNE 8-9 SAN DIEGO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW AND SALE**
Balboa Park, Room 101, San Diego, CA Info. call 619-990-2051
- JUNE 8-9 FRESNO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE**
Sat. 10am-5pm, Sun. 10am-4pm Info. rob_scott85@yahoo.com
Fresno Fairgrounds Commerce Bldg, 1121 S. Chance Ave., Fresno, CA
- JUNE 14-16 SAN FRANCISCO SUCCULENT AND CACTUS SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**
Fri. member-only preview, Info. schedule & details at www.sfsucculent.org
San Francisco County Fair Building, 1199 9th Ave., San Francisco, CA 94122
- JUNE 28-30 CSSA ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE – RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FRI./SAT./SUN.**
daily 10am-5pm
Info. Reservations- www.huntington.org, Show/Sale- call Nick Renteria 323-428-2215
Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino, CA
- JULY 19-20 ORANGE COUNTY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SUMMER SALE**
Fri. Noon-6pm, Sat. 9am-4pm Info. call 657-549-0702
1000 S. State College Bl., (Anaheim United Methodist Church) Anaheim, CA
- AUG. 2-4 INTER-CITY SHOW AND SALE - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**
Info. www.intercityshow.com or call 805-264-6262
Fri Aug. 2 Sale only(no Show) 9am-6:30 pm
Sat & Sun Aug. 3-4 Show & Sale 9am-5pm
LA County Arboretum, 301 N. Baldwin Ave., Arcadia, CA(**CONT'D**)

AUG. 30-SEP. 1 MONTEREY BAY AREA CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SALE AND SHOW

Fri. 3pm-6pm members only, Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 9am-3pm

Info mbacsspresident@gmail.com or mbsucculent.org

ISTW Portuguese Hall, 124 Atkinson Lane, Watsonville, CA 95076

AUG. 31 HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM

9am-3pm **RESERVATIONS REQUIRED**

Info. Reservations- www.huntington.org, Symposium-call 626-405-3571

Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino, CA

OCT. 6 LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB ANNUAL AUCTION

1pm-3:30pm Info. call 714-553-6914

Women's Club of Bellflower, 9402 Oak St., Bellflower, CA

OCT. 13 CONEJO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SALE 9AM-4PM

Info. www.conejocss.com or conejocss@hotmail.com

558 N. Ventu Park Road, Thousand Oaks, CA 91320

OCT. 26-27 PALOMAR CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY FALL SHOW AND SALE

San Diego Botanic Garden admission required

Sat. 9am-5pm, Sun. 10am-3pm

San Diego Botanic Garden, Conservatory, 230 Quail Gardens Dr., Encinitas, CA

NOV. 1-3 HUNTINGTON FALL PLANT SALE - RESERVATIONS REQUIRED FRI./SAT./SUN.

10am-5pm Info. Reservations- www.huntington.org, Sale call 626-405-3571

Huntington Botanical Gardens, 1151 Oxford Rd., San Marino, CA

WINTER SHOW AND SALE 2024

SAN DIEGO CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY

WINTER SHOW & SALE: FEBRUARY 10, 2024

BALBOA PARK, CASA DEL PRADO, ROOM 101 & PATIO

The show is FREE and open to the public!

SHOW HOURS

Bring in Plants: Friday noon - 6pm, Saturday 8am - 10am

Show open for viewing: Saturday 10am-3pm

SALE HOURS

Members only: Saturday 9am - 11am (please bring proof of membership)

General public: Saturday 11am - 3pm

San Diego Mycological Society Presents

FUNGIUS FAIR

SUN FEB 18 2024

Casa del Prado at Balboa Park
10am-4pm

Vendors

Food

Speakers

Live Specimens

Expert Identification



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[https://
cactusandsuccu-
lentsociety.org/
events](https://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/events)

CSSA Events Calendar

Today Friday, February 9, 2024

Friday, February 9, 2024

8:00am SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE

Saturday, February 10, 2024

8:00am SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE

10:00am SAN DIEGO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE

Sunday, February 11, 2024

8:00am SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY WINTER SHOW AND SALE

Saturday, February 17, 2024

10:00am CSSA Webinar

Friday, March 1, 2024

10:00am FRESNO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE

Saturday, March 2, 2024

10:00am FRESNO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE

Sunday, March 3, 2024

10:00am FRESNO CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE

Saturday, March 16, 2024

10:00am CSSA Webinar

Friday, March 22, 2024

12:00pm ORANGE COUNTY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SPRING SALE

2024 PCSS Meeting and Speaker Schedule		
Date	Speaker	Topic
Jan. 27	Brandi Eide, Senior Director of Facilities, SDBGarden	The role of botanic gardens in the display and conservation of cactus and succulents (A photo journey of succulent gardens around the world)
Feb. 24	Pam Hyatt, Owner Bird Rock Tropicals Nursery	Wehrner Rauh, late botanist/researcher Heidelberg University
Mar. 23	Woody Minnich, Field Researcher, owner Cactus Data Nursery, 50 years	The island of Socotra and its fascinating flora
Apr. 27	Spring Festival, Escondido Community Center	
May 25	Kelly Griffin, Altman Growers, Succulent plant development, hybridizer	Namibia
Jun. 22	Gunnar Eisel, President CSSA	Collecting Cactus and Succulents, the collectors and the American Landscape
Jul. 27	Ernesto Sandoval, UC Davis Conservatory	Propagation of succulents from seed
Aug. 24	Picnic at Palomar College	
Sep. 28	Tom Glavich, CSSA board member	Exploring Euphorbias
Oct. 26-27	Annual Show and Sale SDBGarden	
Nov. 23	Craig Kolodge, San Pasqual Valley Soils	Soils
Dec. 21	Holiday Party Escondido Community Center	



Current Board and Volunteers

President—David Buffington—president@palomarcactus.org

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Brag Table—Kevin Smith

Cash Register at Monthly Meetings—Teri Shusterman

Exchange Table—Brian Magone

Facebook - Annie Morgan—info@palomarcactus.org

Guest & New Member Ambassador & Plant of the Month—Lorie Johansen

Library—Barbara Raab librarian@palomarcactus.org

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Membership—Richard Miller

Publicity—Barbara Raab, Tom McCarter

Refreshments—Sandy Wetzel-Smith, Bruce Barry

Website—Annie Morgan, Russel Ray

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2024 Plants of the Month

Aeoniums	(January)
Astrophytum	(February)
Rhipsalis	(March)
FESTIVAL	(April)
Hybrid Mini Aloes	(May)
Ferocactus	(June)
Espostoa	(July)
PICNIC	(August)
Euphorbias	(September)
FALL SHOW	(October)
Cussonia	(November)
PARTY	(December)