# February 2018 Judging Results

Looks like our members are bringing in more orchids of very high quality. They must know what the judges look for and have read our hints for growing award-winning orchids. Maybe you have a blooming orchid, but feel intimidated from all the First Place plants.

Forget that, because you too, can grow your orchid just like the other members of the club.

Just remember, when your orchid starts putting out a bloom shoot, don’t move the plant or you might get twisted flowers. Now is a good time to spray systemic insecticide like Orthene. The weather is getting warm and dry, so the thrips are getting ready for your buds and flowers! Stake your spikes to support the weight of the developing flowers. The buds should open and not hang down, but face you, so you see all the parts of the flower. Judges like to see clean, healthy foliage. Clean your leaves with 1/2 mixture of milk in water. It makes the leaves clean and removes water spots. Look at the flowers like the judges do.

Look for a pleasant display that is pleasing to the eye. Now, bring in your orchid and get it awarded!!

We had **3 Culture Awards** this month. **Rene’ Izquierdo** received Culture for a large *Vanda lamellata var. boxellii* with 2 side branches, each with a spike supporting a large number of flowers.

A large, well-grown *Den. aggregatum* with 170 flowers was brought in by **Victoria Clemente,** which also received a Culture Award. **Chris Houk** received Culture for his large, well displayed *Oncidium splendidum,* supporting 55 flowers from 3 inflorescences.

**Congratulations, Rene’, Victoria, and Chris,** for sharing such beautiful orchids with us.

**Judging Results**

**Vandaceous Group: 6 entries**

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| **1st** | Vanda lamellata var. boxellii | Rene’ Izquierdo |
| **1st** | V. Varakorn x V. merrilli | Victoria Clemente |
| **1st** | V. Golden Doubloon | Rene’ Izquierdo |
| **1st** | V. Su-Fun Beauty | Chris Houk |
| **1st** | V. Roberts Delight | Victoria Clemente |
| **1st** | Ren. Scarlet Yuka x Ren. Lutchman’s Inferno | Rene’ Izquierdo |

**Cattleya Group: 10 entries**

**1st** Blc. Bouton D’or Donna Taylor

**1st** Blc. Fuchs Orange Donna Taylor

**1st** Blc. Lily Marie Almas Victoria Clemente

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| **1st** | Blc. Mem. Srivilas Gold | Chris Houk |
| **1st** | Ctna. Why Not | Tere Camacho |
| **2nd** | Blc. My Orange | Donna Taylor |
| **2nd** | Blc. Mildred Hollingsworth | Donna Taylor |
| **2nd** | Sc. Royal Beau | Donna Taylor |
| **3rd** | Blc. Mem. Grant Eichler | Victoria Clemente |
| **3rd** | Pot. Hawaiian Prominence | Donna Taylor |

**Dendrobium Group: 5 entries**

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| **1st** | Den. aggregatum | Victoria Clemente |
| **1st** | Den. Montebello x Den. Golden Wasp | Rene’ Izquierdo |
| **1st** | Den. tangerinum | Rene’ Izquierdo |
| **1st** | Den. Spring Dream | Deborah Trajkovic |
| **1st** | Den. Pink Kiss | David Schaffter |

**Oncidium Group: 4 entries**

**1st** Onc. splendidum Chris Houk

**1st** Onc. Popoki Mitzii Victoria Clemente

**1st** Tol. Jairak Rainbow Tere Camacho

?**2nd** Tol. Wild Willie Tere Camacho

**Phalaenopsis Group: 1 entry**

**2nd** Phal. amabillis var. formosa Tere Camacho

**Paphiopedilum Group: 2 entries**

**1st** Paph. chamberlainiaum Rene’ Izquierdo

**2nd** Paph. Swithin Rene’ Izquierdo

**Encyclia Group: 1 entry**

**1st** Epi. stamfordianum Rene’ Izquierdo

**Miniatures Group: 3 entries**

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| **1st** | Masdevalia atropurpurea | Victoria Clemente |
| **1st** | Gastrochillus calceolaris | Javier Comesanas |
| **2nd** | Trichcentrum pulchum | Javier Comesanas |

**Other Species Group: 3 entries**

**1st** Ludisia discolor Donna Taylor

**1st** Cattleyopsis ortgesiana Javier Comesanas

**1st** Maxillaria hedwigiae Javier Comesanas

**East Everglades Orchid Society** thanks **David Schaffter, Erna Maxwell, Gilda Nolasco, and Ana Jaggernath** for judging the members’ orchids. Photo credits- **Cherri Price**

**Judging Guidelines**

Here are some helpful hints to display your orchids for our judges, and most of all, for your enjoyment and to share with other members your expertise of growing and blooming orchids. Use the registration forms to register your orchid to be judged. Please fill out your name and your orchid’s name. Please write or print legably!

Make sure you bring your orchids and register them on time. Judging begins at 7:30, before the main meeting.

Please Leave the judging area so our judges can get busy and maybe they can enjoy the speaker when the meeting starts.

Clean your orchid of dead leaves, debris, etc.., and stake the flowers so they are displayed in a pleasing manner. You can use a mixture of milk and water to clean your leaves. It helps get rid of water stains and dirt.

Make sure you orchid has the correct name tag in the pot. Orchids cannot be judged without a name!

Once your orchid begins to show a spike, don’t move it around on the orchid bench or wherever you grow it. Moving orchids while they are

blooming might cause twisted and misshapen flowers. If you do pick up your plant, make sure you set it down in the same place and orientation as it was before you picked it up.

Orchids should be in your possession for around 6 months. Make sure YOU bloomed your orchid, not WAL-MART or HOME DEPOT!

Don’t bring your blooming orchid in if it was judged the month before, on the same bloom.

Make sure your orchids are healthy and insect-free. No ants! Ants help spread scale. No thrips, either.

Make sure there are no snails. One snail can destroy your blooms overnight!