

June Judging

June must be the month of the **Encyclias**. Looking back at past years, it seems every June has high numbers of Encyclias that are brought in for judging. This genera is native to the islands of the Caribbean Basin and West Indies, Central America, South America, and the Southeast United States. Many are found right here in Florida, the most popular being *Enc. tampensis* and *Enc. conopsum*. *Enc. conopsum* is more common in North Florida and prefers cooler temperatures, even surviving short periods of freezing weather. Many Encyclias adapt quite well to South Florida's growing conditions and are easy to grow. However, stay away from the high-elevation orchids since they have a tough time surviving Florida's hot summer nights. Most Encyclias have a pleasing fragrance in the daytime.

East Everglades Orchid Society awarded **3 Culture Awards** this month, all belonging to the Encyclia Group. **Erna Maxwell** brought in a large, well-grown *Enc. radiata* with 8 inflorescences supporting 96 greenish cream-colored flowers. **Christa Collins** received culture for her large *Enc. tampensis*, with 17 well-spaced inflorescences, displaying 255 flowers. **Rossy Ochoa's** large, well-grown encyclia hybrid, *Enc. Cindy*, received a culture, displaying 9 inflorescences with 180 flowers. Congratulations, **Rossy, Christa, and Erna**, for sharing these beauties with our members. A big Thank You, to the rest of our members who brought in orchids for everyone to enjoy.

Vandaceous Group: 7 entries

1st	V. Frances Linder	Chris Houk
1st	V. Pralor	Chris Houk
1st	V. Su-Fun Beauty	Chris Houk
1st	Rhyctrm. Ladda Gold	Chris Houk
1st	Aerides houlettiana	Rene' Izquierdo
2nd	Ren. Scarlet Yuka	Rene' Izquierdo
2nd	Rhy. coelestis	Rene' Izquierdo

Cattleya Group: 5 entries

1st	Blc. Rustic Spots	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	B. nodosa x C. violacea	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	Pvt. Golden Peacock	Tere Camacho
1st	Blc.Keowee	Rene' Izquierdo
2nd	Blc.Wainae Leopard	Mitchell Gazzia

Dendrobium Group: 1 entry

2nd	Den. Green Lantern	Tere Camacho
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Encyclia Group: 8 entries

1st	Enc. stienbachianum	David Schaffter
1st	Enc. Key Largo	Rene” Izquierdo
1st	Enc. Orchid Jungle x Enc. Thomas Fennell	Mitchell Gazzia
1st	Enc. Melissa Bassi	Christa Collins
1st	Enc. tampensis (culture)	Christa Collins
1st	Enc. radiata (culture)	Erna Maxwell
1st	Enc. Cindy (culture)	Rossy Ochoa
2nd	Enc. Thomas’s Finale	Mitchell Gazzia

East Everglades Orchid Society thanks **David Schaffter, Erna Maxwell, Lynn Corson, and Mitchell Gazzia** for judging the members’ orchids.