

January Judging

Welcome to a new year of **East Everglades Orchid Society's Judging Program**. This is where any member can bring in their blooming orchid to show off their beautiful flowers to the rest of us. We encourage all members to get involved, because when you see your favorite beauty, find the owner, then ask where they purchased it and what type of culture does it require. You even might be able to make a trade for a cutting!

We offer each registered plant a ribbon award from our team of judges, many affiliated with the American Orchid Society (AOS). Each ribbon award is **blue for 1st, red for 2nd, white for 3rd, and a green ribbon for culture**. At the end of the year, prizes are given out to members who receive the most points in each orchid group. Blue ribbons are worth 5 points, reds are 3 points, and whites are worth 1 point. Culture (green) is worth 1 point for a special award.

When you bring in your orchid, please fill out an entry form with your orchid's name, your name, and put a check at the bottom identifying what category your orchid belongs in. If you need any help, just ask one of our judges or members what is needed on the entry form. **Please use your best penmanship when filling out the form**. Also, check out the rules or tips for judging orchids on our website.

We had many beautiful orchids this month, but the cold weather affected many flowers. Cold nights and damaging winds stunted many blooms and damaged flowers. When it gets cold, like below 40 degrees, it is best to bring in your orchids. If that isn't possible, try to block the wind from blowing on them. **Do not water!** Keep your orchids dry and out of strong, cold winds. During the day, you can water if you really need to, but only if the temperature rises above 75 degrees. It is best to wait until we get 2-3 days of warmer weather before watering.

Judging Results

Vandaceous Group: 17 entries

1st	V. Ben's Delight	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	Ascda. Korb Fah x V. coerulea	Pedro Bonetti
1st	Rhy Kultana	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	Rhy. gigantea	Chris Houk
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1st	Rhy. gigantea	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	Rhy. gigantea	Gilda Nolasco
2nd	Rhy. gigantea	David Schaffter
2nd	Rhy. gigantea	Rene' Izquierdo
2nd	V. Blue Danube	Rene' Izquierdo
2nd	V. Gabriel Piedraheta	Mitchell Gazzia
2nd	V. Peachtree Delight	Rene' Izquierdo

2nd	V. Varut Leopard x V. Suksamran Spots	Pedro Bonetti
3rd	Rhy. gigantea	Tere Camacho
3rd	Rhy gigantea	Chris Houk
3rd	V. Copper Pure x V. Ken Kone	Tere Camacho

Cattleya Group: 6 entries

1st	B. Aristocrat	Rene' Izquierdo
1st	C. Graceful Gift*	Gilda Nolasco
2nd	Bpl. Golden Peacock	Tere Camacho
2nd	Hknsa. Jose's Keepsake	Tere Camacho
2nd	Slc. Jami Hollingsworth	Chris Houk
3rd	C. Green Emerald	Pedro Bonetti

*C. Mark Jones x C. Llory Ann = C. Grateful Gift

Oncidium Group: 1 entry

1st	Onc. cebolleta	Gilda Nolasco
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Phalaenopsis Group: 1 entry

1st	Phal. Da Shang Orange Sun	Tere Camacho
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Paphiopedilum Group: 1 entry

1st	Paph. White Alary x Pacific Shamrock	Rene' Izquierdo
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Encyclia Group: 1 entry

1st	Epc. Rene Margus	Gilda Nolasco
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Miniatures Group: 1 entry

1st	P. grobyi	Gilda Nolasco
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Other Species Group: 1 entry

1st	Bulb. lasiochilum	Pedro Bonetti
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Other Hybrids Group: 1 entry

2nd	Maxthompsonara (Mxp.) Bryon Rinke	Pedro Bonetti
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