

The 2019 Tri-Center Judging Workshop Hosted by the Dallas Judging Center

February 9, 2019

<http://gntos.org/2019-tri-center-seminar/>

The Dallas Judging Center is hosting the Tri-Center Workshop where we will spend the day concentrating on the genus *Dendrobium*. The Workshop will highlight our three speakers:

Fred Clarke – Sunset Valley Orchids -

Fred Clarke has been growing orchids for since 1977 and has been hybridizing for 38 of those years. With over 36 years as a professional grower and manager in the horticultural industry, Fred applies these skills at his orchid nursery; Sunset Valley Orchids, located in San Diego, California.

He is a passionate orchid grower whose curiosity in orchids is broad and varied. Although developing *Cattleya* hybrids has been his sustaining interest, he is also actively creating new *Catasetinae*, *Paphiopedilum* and Australian *Dendrobium* hybrids.

His pioneering work in *Catasetum* intergeneric breeding has led to the development of many notable hybrids, most recently the grex, *Fredclarkeara* After Dark, which produced “the **blackest** flower ever witnessed”. The hybrid genus *Fredclarkeara* has received an amazing number of awards with a total of 17 FCC’s and 42 AM’s worldwide.

Fred is an internationally acclaimed speaker and travels extensively within USA, Canada, Mexico, Australia, New Zealand and South America. He is an accredited American Orchid Society Judge in the Pacific South region. His plants have received hundreds of quality awards from the American Orchid Society.

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Peter T. Lin – Diamond Orchids -

Peter started growing orchids over 35 years ago, but then stopped due to school and starting a career. It wasn't until about 14 years ago that the orchid "bug" came back and he is now heavily involved once again. He is an accredited judge with the American Orchid Society and a hybridizer of mini-catts. He enjoys meeting with other orchid enthusiasts, and can often be found at various orchid shows and societies around the country. He also has hundreds of photos of his orchids that he maintains on Flickr. You can view them by typing this address into the internet: <http://www.flickr.com/photos/minicatt/collections/> Due to limited growing space, Peter likes to specialize in miniature orchids, both species and hybrids, and has received numerous AOS awards. His other interests in orchids include *Dendrobiums*, *Angraecoids*, and *Neofinetias*. He maintains a collection of a thousand or more orchids at his home in Southern California in 3 small greenhouses, as well as in the house under fluorescent lights.

If attendees are interested, Peter will be taking preorders. These preorders will receive a 10% discount. Attendees can review the current list of plants on his website: www.diamondorchids.com. There will also be an assortment of plants for sale.

Roy Tokunaga –

Roy Tokunaga earned a Bachelors in Education from the University of Hawaii in 1973, with a major in teaching high school biology. He never used that teaching certificate as he was immediately recruited by Ernest Iwanaga to set up an orchid lab, where he spent the next seven years primarily honing his skills at cloning and germinating orchids. At about the same the time, Harry Akagi was growing bromeliads, and in 1981, together Harry and Roy established an orchid lab in Waimanalo, giving birth to H&R Nurseries. Today, Roy is credited with many years of experience in hybridization with several thousand hybrids delivered. Most of his work has been in the *Dendrobium* and *Cattleya* alliances. He is a long time member of the Honolulu Orchid Society and an accredited American Orchid Society judge since 1990. Nora and Roy Tokunaga have two children, Lori and Kevin.

Roy Tokunaga may be reached at H&R Nurseries, 41-4202 Hihimanu Street, Waemanalo, Hawaii 96795; Fax: 808-259-5422; Phone: 808-259-9622

Included with this email is a Registration Form. Please send your Registration back as soon as you can so we can get a final count for the light breakfast and lunch.

You can also register online on the following link:

<http://gntos.org/2019-tri-center-seminar-registration-form/>

We look forward to seeing you on February 9th.

The cost of the Workshop is ONLY \$40 per person which includes a light breakfast, lunch, and the lectures. The fun and networking is free!

LOCATION: Garland Senior Center, 600 West Avenue A, Garland TX 75040 (972) 205-2769. Ample parking provided at the Center free of charge.

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