

# CACTUS CHRONICLE

LOS ANGELES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY - CSSA AFFILIATE

June Newsletter 2018

## Mission Statement:

The Los Angeles Cactus and Succulent Society (LACSS) cultivates the study and enjoyment of cacti and succulent plants through educational programs and activities that promote the hobby within a community of fellow enthusiasts and among the greater public.

## June 2018 Guest Speaker: Artie Chavez “Staging Your Plants”

If you have been around the club for more than 5 minutes, you already know who Artie is. He has been a member of this club since the late 1970’s. He is the owner of Desert Creations Nursery and Gift Shop, which he started with his friends Steve and Phyllis Frieze, and joined later by Gerald Richert.

Artie is an amazing grower, with an incredible amount of knowledge. He has an extensive collection of cactus and succulents. Among his talents, he is known as an amazing “Stager.” He serves as a judge at many cactus and succulent shows, and his knowledge of how plants look in the wild guides how to make plants look best in shows.

There are many reasons why people want to stage a plant. For some people, staging is used to accent a plant for their home, much like a piece of art. Others show their plants in shows to compete for ribbons and trophies. Showing plants in shows also gives the exhibitor feedback on how to grow their plants better. Whatever your reason, this talk will give you great techniques and ideas for making staging and repotting more enjoyable.

Bring in a couple of pots, bring in a plant, bring some rocks and top dressing and watch Artie work his magic.

**Desert Creations Nursery  
will be supplying Raffle  
plants this month!**

**Raffle tickets are \$1 each or  
6 for \$5**



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**A word from our President***by* Kim Chavez

For the past few weeks I have been on a trip to Norway with my mother. It has been a dream of hers for 70 plus years. I found it very interesting that even in Norway you find cactus and succulents in store displays, restaurants, hotels and even in bathrooms. I saw some really nice specimens, and no, I did not bring any home with me. I wanted to, but there was no room with all the sweaters and clothes.

It was a tough time of year for me to get away, with everything going on with the festival planning and working on my display. But I left those responsibilities in good hands. I can hardly contain myself, as I am so excited for the festival and I hope you are, too. Our club should truly be proud of this festival, as it's the best sale and show I've ever been to. I love that our focus is educating the public. I think it's an incredible feat to offer the kids' program on both days this year. I hope many of you will exhibit some plants in the interior show, a great opportunity to show off your plants. Stop by and volunteer a little time in the exhibit hall, even if you didn't sign up for that assignment. I know sometimes it is a little scary making a commitment of two hours, but trust me, time flies when you are having fun.

I am also very excited about our speaker/workshop this month. I think Artie is an incredibly gifted stager and teacher (among a few other talents I've noticed). Artie has been a member of this club for almost 40 years and has an amazing memory of the club's history. He has served in nearly every position on the board. Since childhood, he has grown and maintained a personal collection that is acclaimed in the cactus world. His plants are enhanced by creative and bold staging, making them living works of art. Take advantage of this opportunity to bring in 2 or 3 pots and a plant you want to stage. So my key word this month is *festival*. Come and give me the word at the meeting for a free raffle ticket.

Check out these pictures of cactus and succulents in Norway!

**Kim Chavez**

# Plant of the Month : Favorites

by Kim Chavez

**This month's Plants of the Month are Favorites.**

**How do you pick your "favorite"?** I have so many favorites and they change all the time. So I suggest you choose your favorite that day. It may be blooming, it may have special meaning. It may be the one that cost a lot or that you grew from seed.

**How can judges judge Favorites?** They are so varied. It's hard to have someone tell me my favorite isn't the best! In judging favorites, staging plays a big role. Make sure your plant is clean and ready to show.

**Bring in a plant that you want to share with other people! Maybe write on the back of the card why it is your favorite. Remember, the plant genera for the festival are Copiapoa, Melocactus, Rebutia and Sulcorebutia for cactus, and Agave, Haworthias, and Lithops for succulents and if you bring any of these to be staged or as a favorite, you can leave them for the show.**

**Unfortunately I cannot bring in my favorite this month but I want to share it with you anyway. This was my wedding gift from Artie. I love this plant so much for so many reasons.**



**Plant of the Month 2018**

**June**

Favorite for both

**July**

Matucana, Oroya Echeveria

**August**

Thelocactus, Hamatocactus Adenia

**September**

Mammillaria "Black Spines" Bursera

**October**

Espostoa, Oreocereus Jatropha, Monadenium, Pedilanthus

**November**

Crest, Monstrose Crest, Monstrose

**December**

Holiday Party!

**Plant of the Month 2019**

**January**

Epiphytic Cacti Dudleya

**February**

Echinocactus Sarcocaulon

**March**

Epithelantha Encephalocarpus Pelecypora, Aloe Hybrid

**April**

Gymnocalycium Haworthia

**May**

small cacti and succulent staged as miniature

**June**

Favorite for both

**Plant of the Month - April 2018**

**Cactus - Lobivia**

**Rookie**

First	Debi Heaps	Echinopsis werdermannii
Second	Sean Barth	Lobivia arachnoicantha
Third	Amanda Erlanson	Lobivia arachnacantha

**Novice**

First	Ron Behar	Lobivia purpureominiata
Second	Ron Behar	Lobivia acanthoplegma v. Rosieflora
Third	Ron Behar	Lobivia aublayensis

**Advanced**

First	Barbara Hall	Lobivia/Echinopsis famitamensis
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**Open** — none —

**Succulent - Gasteria**

**Rookie**

First	Debi Heaps	Gasteria cv. little warty
Second	Debi Heaps	Gasteria sp.
Second	Ron Cooper	Gasteria limpopo
Third	Nicki Larsen	Gasteria ellaphieae
Third	Ron Cooper	Gasteria batesiana v. pongola

**Novice**

First	Ron Behar	Gasteria obtusifolia?
Second	Ron Behar	Gasteria batesiana
Third	Al Mindel	Gasteria cv. little warty

**Advanced**

First	Linda Holub	Gasteria ellaphieae
Second	Barb Hall	Gasteria nitida var. armstrongii
Third	Scott Schaffer	Gasteria "hakuten gagyuu"

**Open**

First	Karen Ostler	Gasteria 'noir'
Second	Karen Ostler	Gasteria 'morse code'
Third	Karen Ostler	Gasteria 'ella's joy'

Rookie 29 + Novice 22 + Advanced 11 + Open 3 = 65 total entries !!  
 (sorry, couldn't fit names of crossed plants for Open succulent winners, could only fit 'xxxx')

Corrections Sean Barth Lobivia arachnacantha  
 Barbara Hall Lobivia/Echinopsis famatimensis  
 Ron Behar Gasteria obtusafolia

**Note:** Just a reminder:

Rookies may enter newly purchased plants.  
 Novice entrants must have owned their plants for at least 6 months.  
 Advanced & Open/Masters entrants must have owned their plants for at least 1 year.



Rookie 2nd place - S. Barth



Rookie 3rd place - A. Erlanson



Rookie - 1st place - D. Heaps



Open - 1st place - K. Ostler

## Plant of the Month – May 2018

Plant of the Month  
2018**June**

Favorite for both

**July**Matucana, Oroya  
Echeveria**August**Thelocactus, Hamatocac-  
tus  
Adenia**September**Mammillaria "Black Spines"  
Bursera**October**Espostoa,  
Oreocereus  
Jatropha, Monadenium,  
Pedilanthus**November**Crest, Monstrose  
Crest, Monstrose**December**

Holiday Party!

Plant of the Month  
2019**January**Epiphytic Cacti  
Dudleya**February**Echinocactus  
Sarcocaulon**March**Epithelantha  
Encephalocarpus  
Pelecypora,  
Aloe Hybrid**April**Gymnocalycium  
Haworthia**May**small cacti and succulent  
staged as miniature**June**

Favorite for both

## Cactus – Miniatures

**Rookie**

First	Debi Heaps
Second	Kimberly Tong & Collin O'Callaghan
Second	Amanda Erlanson
Third	Kimberly Tong & Collin O'Callaghan
Third	Kimberly Tong & Collin O'Callaghan

Cleistocactus winteri crested
Gymnocalycium friedrichii
Ortegocactus macdougallii
Mammillaria hernandezii
Rebutia krainziana

**Novice**

First	Ron Behar
Second	Ron Behar
Second	Kim Jacobi
Third	Jennifer Bensi

Gymnocalycium ragonesei
Echinocereus pulchellus v. weinbergii
Ariocarpus retusus
Eriosyce occulta

**Advanced**

First	Kathryn Boorer
Second	Kathryn Boorer
Third	Jim and Roxie Esterle

Blossfeldia liliputana
Pelecypora aselliformis
Geohintonia mexicana

**Open**

First	Karen Ostler
Second	Karen Ostler
Third	Karen Ostler

Blossfeldia liliputana
Aztekium valdezii
Pelecypora aselliformis

There were **41 rookie** entries, **44 novice** entries, **20 advanced** entries, and 4 **open** entries

## Succulent – miniatures

**Rookie**

First	Debi Heaps
Second	Kimberly Tong & Collin O'Callaghan
Second	Debi Heaps
Second	Felipe Delgado
Third	Ron Cooper
Third	Evan Walsh
Third	Diane Miller

Ceraria pygmaea
Pseudolithos eylensis
Aeonium 'Sunburst' crested
Agave filifera 'compacta'
Echeveria purpureum
Adromischus marianiae 'dark side'
Haworthia truncata

**Novice**

First	M. A. Bjarkman
Second	Kim Jacobi
Second	Gretchen Davis
Third	M. A. Bjarkman
Third	Kim Jacobi

Fenestraria 'baby toes' rhopalophylla
Adromischus marianiae v herrei
miniature Echeveria 'topsy-turvy'
Crassula capitella thrysiflora
Adenia glauca

**Advanced**

First	John Suci
Second	Kathryn Boorer
Third	Jim and Roxie Esterle

Aloinopsis schooneesii
Euphorbia capsaintmariensis
Adromischus 'baseball'

**Open**

First	Karen Ostler
Second	Karen Ostler

Rhombophyllum nelii
Ceraria pygmaea

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# From the stacks of the Library - 2018

by Joyce Schumann

Hi to everyone,

We have so much going on with the festival we are not going to have the library set up at the June meeting. If you have books out Joyce will be taking returns. Otherwise, library will be open again in July!

So, stay tuned, step right up, and

CHECK THEM OUT!!!

See you soon,  
Joyce



In June

## LACSS Presents Getting to Know Your Succulents and Cacti; Four Training Events Designed to Enhance Your Plant IQ

By Steven Frieze



### June 16, 2018 At Steve's House in North Hills 10 AM

*Cacti and Succulent Basics: Tips for Ensuring Success with you Collection*

This workshop will focus on getting back to basics. We will discuss everything from soil composition, watering schedules, sun and heat issues, insect solutions, landscaping challenges, places to make collection purchases and equipment/tool resources.

### August 18, 2018 at Sepulveda Garden Center at 10AM

*Getting Ready for Winter: Anticipating the Unhospitable Conditions of Cooler Temperatures*

This workshop will focus on preparing for those months when your collection, if not properly protected could be jeopardized by the harsh condition of fall and winter. The types of preparation necessary for anticipating unhospitable conditions and the types of actions helpful to ensure that your plants survive the winter months will be discussed.

## NOW MY COLLECTION WILL BE EXHIBIT READY!

By Debi Heaps

Steve Frieze presented an excellent workshop about staging plants on May 19 at the Sepulveda Garden Center. Artie Chavez was also on hand to share his expertise. Participants enjoyed learning about how to prepare their plants including rock, top dressing and pot selection. The instruction on how to replant and trim your plants was valuable for any cactus or

succulent enthusiast. Members in attendance can use this newly acquired knowledge to get their plants into competitive shape for the cactus and succulent competition at the LACSS Drought Tolerant Festival on June 9 and 10. The morning was one well spent.



# Membership Report

FYI-Member News: We had a headcount of 100 and 98 signed in...4 guests and AI had the Guest Greeting Area ready with their welcome plants. New Members, pick up your plants from AI too.

Welcome New Members and some old members too:

**Richard Broome, Barbara Burnett, Ron Cooper, Yongyus (John) Dejsatha, Amy Doran, Victoria Kuhl, John and Marchell Noster, Danial Pio, Cheryl Venger, Amy Doran, Marilynn Fischer**

Our last meeting: The snacks were great last month again, please feel free to help around the area to keep it stocked and clean... Its mid-year, once we get past the Festival, and Huntington then it's our Holiday Awards Party and you guessed it, time to collect dues (so soon, again!)

A word about the Festival. Everybody needs to sign up for something. Please, I also need help with the data entry for all those folks who sign in and want to learn about our club. We send them one newsletter and transcribing 250 emails is a long job. Last year we had 50 new members join at the Festival. All that data entry. Hey, you can work from home, and I would be so grateful. There is something to do for every talent, work at the welcome booth with Ron, and get some of those people to enter their information on an iPad, directly into Mailchimp, saves us work.

Kids Day(s) is a spectacular event. See Kathleen ...You must go thru the displays...just fantastic. To add incentive you get a FREE t-shirt, lunch and snacks during the day for committing to a two hour shift.

More next month!

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**ATTENTION ALL CLUB MEMBERS!** The Annual CSSA Show & Sale June 29, 30 & July 1, from 10AM to 5PM.

Remember to put the Annual CSSA Show & Sale on your calendars! It's all happening at the Huntington Botanical Gardens on June 29, 30 & July 1, from 10AM to 5PM. The sale runs all three days while the show is Saturday & Sunday. This is a one-class show that everyone can participate in, whether you are a novice or a master. We all have that special plant that we would love to show off. Whether you win a ribbon or not, everyone gets to see your plant! If you help out & volunteer for a few hours, you will receive a beautiful t-shirt as a "thank you" gift. **Remember to wear your club badge & "special pass"**(see Barbara Hall or M A Bjorkman at the meeting) to access the show & sale for free. Consider coming to the Chili Buffet dinner (\$15) on Sat. June 29, which precedes the Silent & Live Auctions. Maybe you have something to enter in either of the auctions? And of course, shop from among our 20 vendors and then peruse the gardens.

Hope to see you there!

Barbara Hall, Show Chair

Contact: email: lbcjhall@aol.com; Phone:818 368-6914 (H)

# Greenhouse Notes - June

by Karen Ostler

June is finally here and hopefully the odd weather swings are over. Our poor plants are so confused; is it cold or is it hot? Should I grow or not? Shorts or sweaters? The confusion is over, summer is finally here. Last month I discussed acidifying your water, so now that you are doing that, let's add one more thing: fertilizer.

What, you're not feeding them? Why?

Feeding your plants makes a lot of sense, first of all you are growing them in the confined space of a pot; root room is in limited supply. Second, soil gets tired and any nutrients in it get taken up by the plant. So unless you intend to re-pot every couple of months, the next best thing is fertilizer.

I know that fertilizer is a scary thing; how much? How often? What kind? So let's start with the last one, first. Any kind of fertilizer is better than none; for the plants I grow in the house; Hoyas, Sansevierias, Bromeliads; I use African violet fertilizer in a dropper bottle. Yep, African violet. It's easy to use, 8 drops per gallon of water, I then add, using the same dropper, 8 drops of vinegar. Done. And my indoor plants are happy, they get fed every single time I water them; April to September.

In the greenhouse it's nearly as easy. I use a 'Siphonex' system which is just a simple brass fitting that goes on the faucet before the hose with a very small tube that drops into a bucket of water containing a premix of fertilizer. Turn on the hose and it sucks up a 16 to 1 ratio of water to fertilizer. Very, very easy. I don't have to do any measuring or math, all I have to do is water.

I use Azalea, Camellia and Rhododendron fertilizer. A mix formulated for acid loving plants; which our cactus and succulents prefer. Once again, perfect. No figuring out how much vinegar to add; none. The mix I use is Miracle -Grow and it has 30% Nitrogen - 10% & Potash - 10% Potassium, plus other assorted minerals for optimum growth of acid loving plants.

If you have NEVER fertilized before, I recommend that you start slowly; very slowly, or you will crack your cactus from too rapid growth and force abnormal growth with succulents. Begin by using ¼ strength fertilizer every other watering for the first couple of months and then ¼ strength at every watering.

Your plants will love it. And you will be amazed, I guarantee it.

This month is our Drought Tolerant Festival, the one time of year that the LACSS gets to shine. We have the largest single club display and sale in Southern California. Become involved; VOLUNTEER. There is no better way to learn about the plants we all love. Engage with our vendors, talk with the public; I can tell you that you know more than you think you do. Talk to other members. Encourage people to join our Society. In a world of water uncertainty, cactus and succulents add beauty for little outlay of water. And most of all; have fun.

See you at the Festival,

Karen Ostler





# It is Festival Time— Share with your friends!

by LACSS Special Events



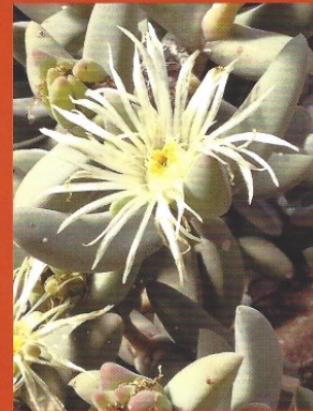
## LACSS Drought Tolerant Plant Festival

Saturday, June 9, 2018, 9:00 to 4:00  
Sunday, June 10, 2018, 9:00 to 3:00

Sepulveda Garden Center  
16633 Magnolia Blvd., Encino 91316

### Los Angeles Cactus and Succulent Society FESTIVAL HIGHLIGHTS:

- NEW! More hands-on workshops in potting, transplanting, and creating succulent gardens
- NEW! Kids' Activities on BOTH Saturday and Sunday from 11AM - 2PM, with games, crafts, plant-potting, and educational hands-on activities
- Great speakers Saturday and Sunday
- Exhibit hall featuring competition of cacti and succulents, plus imaginative, prize-winning displays
- SALE of cacti, succulents, California natives, and drought-tolerant landscape plants
- SALE of rare and collectible drought-tolerant plants from around the world
- SALE of crafts, pottery, books, and supplies
- Silent auctions
- NEW! Additional free parking



For more information and updates

Show website:

[www.lacss-show.com](http://www.lacss-show.com)

General information about club:

[www.lacactus.com](http://www.lacactus.com)

Facebook:

<https://www.facebook.com/Los-Angeles-Cactus-and-Succulent-Society-official-FB-Site->  
Or call (818)749-5346

## Festival News- June 9 and 10, 2018

### LACSS SHOW & SALE DINNER



If you are planning on attending the Show dinner on Saturday, June 9, at 5:00PM, please make your reservation & payment with Barbara Hall. The cost is \$25, which must be paid by NOON, June 9. The caterer is Dearmore BBQ and the menu is BBQ tri-tip & chicken, beans, salad, garlic bread & dessert. There are appetizers before dinner that club members volunteer to bring in. If you would like to bring an appetizer please let me know. The club provides water & soft drinks.

Contact: Barbara Hall 818-368-6914; email: lbcjhall@aol.com

**We could use a little help setting up and breaking down the dinner!**

It would be very helpful if some of the members could help at 4pm to set up tables and then break down at around 8pm. It makes it a lot easier if everyone help and works Together.

Hi, Everyone,

I'm in charge of the dinner for the Festival and as in previous years, we like to supplement our delicious BBQ dinner with some appetizers before supper. I ask for volunteers to help with this if possible. If you can provide something please let me know. At that time of day the oven should be available to heat things up. Keep it simple.

Thank you,  
Barb Hall



# LACSS 2018 Drought Tolerant Plant Festival

## June 9 and 10, 2018

### 4 Reasons to Donate Plants for the Member Sales Table

1. To make space in your garden for exciting new specimens!
2. To enjoy the satisfaction of seeing others admire and purchase your home-grown plants!
3. To raise funds to directly support the activities of our club.
4. To earn “Cactu\$ Ca\$h” when you sell your plants and share the profits with LACSS.



### 4 Ways to Get Your Plants to the Member Sales Table

1. Bring your plants with you to the meeting on Thursday, June 7.
2. Bring your plants to the Sepulveda Garden Center on Friday, June 8 between 1 and 4pm
3. Bring your plants to the Sepulveda Garden Center early Saturday, June 9
4. Contact Jim and Roxie Esterle (check the roster) to make any special arrangements.



*Thank you!!*

Are you signed up yet?

## Last Call, Don't miss the boat, Eleventh Hour, etc..

Last Call and almost the last chance to become the most important person in the success of the Festival.

The top flower of our cactus plant is still waiting for a few more stalwart, adventurous, and enthusiastic members to fill in the last few remaining positions. Inside, outside, refreshment, parking control, security, interacting with visitors and kids, protecting plants, selling plants, set up, tear down – you name it, we have a space for you. Two hours or all day or any amount of time you can contribute.

If you have signed up already, our thanks to you. If you haven't signed up yet, you still can do so at the June 7 meeting or email Joyce at [ropojo@pacbell.net](mailto:ropojo@pacbell.net). Include the day(s) you can be there and the time slot(s) you are available.

Thanks to everyone for your continued support in making our Festival the fun, unique event that it has grown to be.

Sincerely,  
Joyce the Festival Volunteer Coordinator



# 2018 Drought Tolerant Festival details

## Talks and Workshops

Saturday, June 9

10am - Lili Singer - Gardening with California Natives

11:30am - Sandy Chase - Potting and Dividing Succulents

1pm to 3pm - Hearts of Jade Workshop

Sunday, June 10

10:30am - Bryan Chan - Gardening with Bromeliads

12 noon to 2pm - Hearts of Jade Workshop

## Workshops

**Saturday, June 9 @ 1pm to 3pm**

Hearts of Jade workshop \$25

Driftwood & all materials you will need to create a wonderful piece for home or office are included.

**Sunday, June 10 @ 12 noon to 2pm**

Hearts of Jade workshop \$40

Glass terrarium & all materials



## 2018 Vendors

Bella's Garden

Chris Rogers Plants

Conejo Cactus and Succulent Society

Desert Creations

Dominus Plantarum

Ecugreen

Fairymade Art

Fern Wallach

Floratopia Designs

Foothills Cactus

Garden Envy

Gerald Richert Pots

Hanna's Succulents

Hula Tropicals

Innerscapes

Jay's Pelargoniums

Jilly Bean Pottery

John Martinez Plants

June's Pots

Kal's Cactus

Kimballa Designs

Kyle's Plants

Lisa Rocks

Marie Trostler's Gifts

Mick Gottschalk Plants

Monalisa's

Mr. Fertilizer

Peety Pots

Plant Worx Organic

Port Town Pottery

PW Plants

Rainshadow Designs

Ralph's Plants

Richard Kitagawa Designs

Rosana Barela Pottery

San Fernando Valley Bromeliad Society

San Fernando Valley Iris Society

San Fernando Valley Orchid Society

Sandy Chase Plants

Somis Succulent Specialties

Succulent Geraniac

Superb Succulents

The Fat Plant Man

Theodor Payne Foundation

# Kids' Programs Saturday and Sunday 11– 2pm



Amazing, Fun, Educational. Stop by to visit and see what our future holds!

## Interior Show by Kal Kaminer

The Interior Show is a signature part of the festival. Its member-provided plants and displays align the festival with a core club mission: to promote awareness and education of cactus and succulent plants to the community at large.

### Plant Show

The plant show is an expanded version of Plant of the Month, with some wonderful handmade pots and plants as prizes. The plant genera for the festival are Copiapoa, Melocactus, and Rebutia/Sulcorebutia for cactus, and Agave, Haworthia, and Lithops for succulents. Members may enter up to three plants in each genus, judged by the same criteria as the Plant of the Month.



### Best in Class - Prize Categories

- Rookie/Novice - Best Cactus
- Rookie/Novice - Best Succulent
- Advanced - Best Cactus
- Advanced - Best Succulent
- Open - Best Cactus
- Open - Best Succulent

### Educational Displays

Member-created displays are a hallmark of our festival.

Most displays feature a group of related or contrasting plants, with educational information displayed on a club-provided backdrop. Members can show off their passion for a particular aspect of our hobby while educating the public and members of the public.

Visitors to our festival are encouraged to vote for their favorite educational displays. The votes will be collected and totaled for both days. **This year, the first-time displayer and the veteran displayer with the highest number of votes will win a \$250 gift certificate to Desert Creations or to Peety Pots! Second place in each category will win a handmade pot.** Winners will be announced and awards presented at the July club meeting.

We still have a few slots still open for displays, so please call or email me for more information. Kal: 818-568-5172 or [kalmank@gmail.com](mailto:kalmank@gmail.com)





# Refreshments Reminder

## Reminder, It's June – **N thru R**

If your last name begins with the letters listed above, this means **YOU**. It's your turn to bring the goodies that will sustain us during our meeting on Thursday, June 7th. Please have snacks arrive by 6:15PM for Social Hour.

Your help in setting up and breaking down is greatly appreciated.

Some ideas: finger foods, fruit, veggies, chips & dip, cookies, brownies, sandwiches, burritos, pizza...you name it, we will heat & serve it.

Yes, we have a microwave. It's nice to have real food at the start of the meeting, as well as treats during the break. Drinks are also welcome.

Thanks,  
**LACSS**





**53rd ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE  
CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY OF AMERICA  
HUNTINGTON LIBRARY & BOTANICAL GARDENS**

**Dates:** Friday, Saturday & Sunday, June 29, 30 & July 1, 2018

**Location:** The Huntington: 1151 Oxford Drive, San Marino, CA  
The Botanical Center. Contact 626-405-3504

**Show & Sale Hours:** **Sale:** Friday, Saturday & Sunday 10:00am-5:00pm

**Show:** Saturday & Sunday 10:00am-5:00pm

**Show Set-up:** Thurs. June 28<sup>th</sup>, 9am-1pm

**Enter Plants:** Thurs., June 28<sup>th</sup> 1pm-8pm & Friday, June 29, 10:00am-4:00pm. Judging starts at 5:00pm Friday

**Auction:** Items need to be registered by 3pm, Saturday, June 30

There will be a Silent Auction during dinner and a Live Auction (35 items max.) after dinner. Auctioneers will decide placement of items: 2 items per person/business marked as donation or split (70/30)

**Dinner:** \$15.00 Menu: Chili Buffet. Mail checks, made out to CSSA, to Bonnie Ikemura – 8400 Bleriot Ave. Los Angeles, CA, 90045; Reserve a spot by Phone: 213-305-1421 or email Bonnie at [bikemura@hotmail.com](mailto:bikemura@hotmail.com).

Reservations must be made by June 25, 2018

**Teardown:** Sunday, July 1, 5:00pm

**Be sure to pick up a Show Schedule, Index and entry tags from your CSSA Club Affiliate at the meeting if you are interested in entering plants in the Show or in the Auction.**

All Cactus & Succulent Club members, CSSA members, vendors, volunteers or show participants need to wear their club badges (if you have one) AND a special CSSA/HBG pass that reads "Annual CSSA Show Participant" to enter the HBG for free. If you are a HBG member this doesn't apply. Please obtain a pass from your CSSA Affiliate at your club meeting or contact Barbara Hall, Show Chair before the event. We are not permitted to hand out passes at the HBG entryway.

There are opportunities to participate/volunteer in this year's show, even for a couple of hours in the showroom or sales areas, hospitality (food) area, information table, holding area, welcome table at the HBG entry & setup/teardown. All participants receive a show T-Shirt as a thank you.

See you at the Show!

**Barbara Hall**

**CSSA Show Chair**

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## 2018 Cactus and Succulent Calendar of Upcoming Events

Updated 12/3/17. ANY CHANGES, please email: aloescats1@aol.com

- JUNE 9-10**     **LOS ANGELES CACTUS and SUCCULENT SOCIETY PLANT SHOW AND SALE**  
**JUNE 9th 9AM – 4PM and JUNE 10th 9AM - 3PM**  
**THE SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER, 16633 MAGNOLIA BLVD., ENCINO, CA.**  
**INFO. [www.lacactus.com](http://www.lacactus.com)**
- JUN 29-JUL 1**    **CSSA ANNUAL SHOW AND SALE – HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS**  
 1151 OXFORD ROAD, SAN MARINO, CA. Info: 626-405-3504  
 PLANTS SALES STARTS JUNE 29<sup>TH</sup> THRU JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> FROM 10-5pm.  
 SHOW OPENS JUNE 30<sup>TH</sup> THUR JULY 1<sup>ST</sup> FROM 10-5pm.
- JULY 19-21**    **ORANGE COUNTY CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SUMMER SHOW AND SALE**  
 THURS. 19<sup>TH</sup> 6-9pm, FRI. JULY 20<sup>TH</sup> 9am-7pm, SAT. 21<sup>ST</sup> 9-5pm  
 1000 S. State College Bl., (Anaheim United Methodist Church) Anaheim, CA  
 INFORMATION CALL 949-212-8417
- AUG. 11-12**    **33<sup>RD</sup> ANNUAL INTERCITY SHOW AND SALE AT THE L.A. COUNTY ARBORETUM**  
**9am-5pm daily. 301 NO. BALDWIN AVE., ARCADIA, CA.**  
**INFO. CALL TOM GLAVICH 626-798-2430 or JOHN MARTINEZ 805-390-2139**
- SEPT. 1**        **HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL GARDENS SUCCULENT SYMPOSIUM**  
 ALL DAY AT THE HUNTINGTON. INFO: 626-405-3504
- SEPT. 15**      **LONG BEACH CACTUS CLUB ANNUAL PLANT AUCTION**  
 12-5PM RANCHO LOS ALAMITOS, 6400 BIXBY HILL ROAD, LONG BEACH, CA 90615  
 INFO. 562-631-5876
- SEPT. 15**      **LOS ANGELES CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY - FALL SALE**  
**THE SEPULVEDA GARDEN CENTER, 16633 MAGNOLIA BLVD., ENCINO, CA.**  
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- Oct. 6-7**      **BAKERSFIELD CACTUS and SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW & SALE**  
 SAT. 10AM - 5PM---SUN. 11AM - 3PM ST. PAUL'S CHURCH, 2216 17<sup>TH</sup> STREET  
 BAKERSFIELD, CA 93304 FREE ADDMISSION INFO 661-831-8488
- OCT. 27-28**    **PALOMAR SHOW AND SALE**  
 SAT 10-5, SUN 10-3, SAN DIEGO BOTANIC GARDENS  
 230 QUAIL GARDENS ROAD, ENCINITAS, CA  
 INFO: [BritaMiller1@g-mail.com](mailto:BritaMiller1@g-mail.com)
- NOV. 10 - 11**   **SAN GABRIEL CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY SHOW AND SALE**  
 9am-4pm BOTH DAYS---LA COUNTY ARBORETUM 310 NO. BALDWIN, ARCADIA, Ca  
 INFO: MANNY RIVERA 626-780-6957 or JOHN MATTHEWS 661-714-1052

## 🌀 LACSS Special Events 🌀

What's the latest buzz with LACSS Special Events? BEES!



DATE: Sunday, July 8, 2018  
TIME: 9am  
LOCATION: Topanga Nursery  
10538 Topanga Canyon Blvd  
Chatsworth, CA 91311  
PARKING: Limited lot parking. Please park on the street.

Want to know more about some of our favorite pollinators, BEES?

Join us for a field trip to The Valley Hive and the Topanga Nursery. Topanga Nursery (formerly Chatsworth Nursery). Topanga Nursery conveniently shares its space with The Valley Hive which provides the perfect setting for learning about bees . We are planning a visit to learn about bee behavior, their role in our environment and the production of honey. And, yes, we will have an opportunity to taste the delicious, all natural, raw, local honey they have harvested which is also available for purchase! Yum!

After the presentation, you will be able to browse and shop in the Topanga Nursery and see what wonderful changes and additions that have been made.

Please RSVP to Diane Miller at [dianemiller@socal.rr.com](mailto:dianemiller@socal.rr.com). Please include "LACSS Bees" in the subject line.



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### **June 7, 2018 Guest Speaker Artie Chavez**

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