

SOUTHERN ONTARIO ORCHID SOCIETY  
**ORCHID SHOW & SALE**  
Toronto Botanical Garden  
SATURDAY AND SUNDAY • FEBRUARY 8 & 9, 2025



### WHEN SHOULD I VISIT THE SHOW AND SALE?

A quick overview of our Annual Orchid Show and Sale.

If you are a serious Orchid Aficionado seeking the most exotic orchids coming to Toronto, you might be interested in the Early Bird Shopper's Hour on Saturday morning. Limited admission of 125 people will ensure that you will have time to chat with your favourite vendors. Tickets at \$30 per person will be available online in January. Plan to stay so that you can take in a lecture or two, and to visit the Exhibition in the Floral Hall.

If you aren't quite at the aficionado level but would consider yourself an Enthusiast who enjoys buying new plants, then Saturday is the day. Remember that the first two hours after the show opens can be extremely busy. If you don't like crowds, come later in the day.

New to the hobby or need some advice? Then plan your visit around the free lectures that are available on both Saturday and Sunday. Check closer to the show date for times for specific lectures on repotting and orchid care.

Is photography your thing? Sunday morning is the ONLY TIME that you can bring your unipod or tripod. Tickets are \$20 each and will be available online in January. There are only 55 spaces available. Don't forget to submit one or more of your images from last year's Show in the SOOS Art and Photography Competition. Hand-held cameras are allowed anytime.

If your primary interest is to admire the amazing exhibits and artwork, then Sunday is your day. On Saturday, the best orchids are removed for American Orchid Society Judging in the Library. They will have been returned to the Floral Hall by Sunday morning.

If you are bringing small children or have mobility issues, consider coming on Sunday as it is less crowded. Saturday after 3 pm is also much quieter.

Regardless of when you visit, please remember that the Show is staffed by volunteers. Most of our vendors are small businesses with limited resources. Bring your patience along with your love of orchids. We look forward to seeing you at our next show.

For the best visitor experience, final entry to the Show and Sale will be 4:30 pm on Saturday and 3:30 pm on Sunday.

The 2025 Show and Sale celebrates the Sixtieth Anniversary of the creation of SOOS. The Show runs from Noon to 5 pm on Saturday, February 8<sup>th</sup> and from 11 am to 4 pm on Sunday, February 9<sup>th</sup> at the Toronto Botanical Garden, 777 Lawrence Avenue East, Toronto, Ontario, M3C 1P2.

General admission is \$10 and free for supervised children under 12.

