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SOUTH COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY NEWSLETTER | OCTOBER 2021

Ron Haenni **ZOOM PRESENTATION**
October 10, 2021

Growing Cacti and Succulents from Seed



Greetings to all!

I hope this finds you well. Autumn is here and this is a good time to repot your winter growing plants. Find a list at <https://southcoastcss.org/dormancy/>. I find that the milder temperatures are easy on the newly repotted plants. I also want to get things done before the colder temperatures and rainy season. (that is, if we ever get one!).

Minishow: For the October meeting, we will showcase photos of plants of the month as well as gardens and brag plants. The photos will be shown at the meeting and published in our November Newsletter, on Facebook and Instagram. So please E-mail photos to me at minniecap@icloud.com by October 8th so they will be ready.

Cacti and Succulent of the month:

Miniatures (anything in a pot 3 inches or less).

CSSA Webinar: The next CSSA presentation will be on October 2 at 10 AM. Robert Webb from Arid Lands Greenhouses talking about “The Genus Sansevieria I: Systematics and Some New Species” Mike Short will send the link to join.


Meetings: I encourage more people to join our meetings on Zoom. Jade Neely and Gary Duke have continued to provide us with excellent speakers. You should be able to see and hear the presentation on any computer, tablet, or phone. If you need any help, please contact me or Mike Short. There is a Zoom help tutorial on our website at <https://southcoastcss.org/zoom-help>. The meetings are open to all and I would like more people to view our presentations. At this month’s October 10 presentation, we will hear about “Growing cactus and succulent from seed” by one of the CSSA Board members, Rod Haenni.


I am looking forward to seeing you there.


My best to all,
Maria Capaldo

SHARE YOUR GARDEN OR YOUR FAVORITE PLANT

E-mail me with photos of your garden and/or plants that we can publish as a way of staying connected.
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Growing Cacti and Succulents from Seed

BY ROD HAENNI



Rod has grown both cacti and succulents from seed and will describe his process. This is one presentation you will not want to miss.

My cactus and succulent passions originated in 1978, while I was working in the desert southwest as a mineral exploration geologist. I have traveled widely in North America, Argentina, Chile, South Africa and Europe to learn which succulents could be added to my ever-increasing collection of cold tolerant plants, grown outside year around in the Denver, Colorado metro area.

I have five different gardens, on about one acre, that allow me to explore the hardiness of thousands of different cacti and other succulents in different settings and microclimates. All of these plants are subjected to below zero Fahrenheit every winter, including polar vortexes that may arrive in the fall and spring, dropping the temperatures from 60-70F to near or below zero in less than 48 hours.



I have grown rare plants from seed successfully for many years in a green house setting and under lights on a propagation heating matt. Most of my seedlings go into my garden, usually within 18 months of germination.

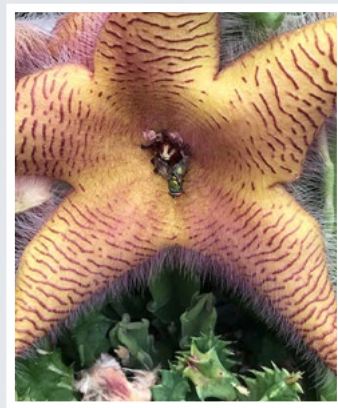
I find young plants form much stronger root systems and, in marginally cold tolerant species, develop much more cold resistance quickly than mature specimens.

I have served on the board of the CSSA since January, 2019 and am currently vice president.

Conservation of succulents is a major interest as is development, allowing the CSSA to eventually play a strong financial role in curtailing poaching and increasing growing from seed both with hobbyists and commercial growers.

What's in your garden?

Gardens by **Karen Cozzolino**



Thank you for sharing!
What's in your garden?

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What's in your garden?

Gardens by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



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Garden by Anita Caplan



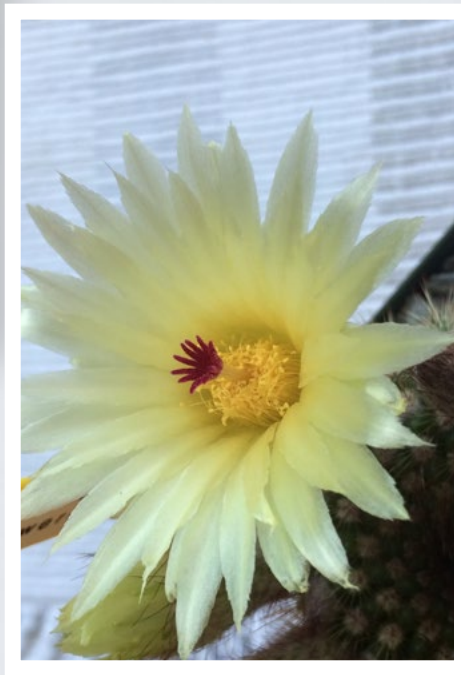
Garden by Terri Straub

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What's in your garden?

Gardens by Bernard Johnson



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Mini - Show Plant Calendar



Mini-Show Plants for 2021-2022

Month	Plant Category	Plant Category
October 2021	Miniature (3 inches or less)	Miniature (3 inches or less)
November 2021	North American Columnar Cacti (Saguaro, Cereus, etc.)	Senecio
December 2021	HOLIDAY???	HOLIDAY??
January 2022	Mammillaria single headed	Lithops, Conophytum
February 2022	Stenocactus, Echinofossulocactus	Euphorbia from Madagascar
March 2022	Thelocactus	Aeonium, Greenovia
April 2022	SHOW and SALE	SHOW and SALE
May 2022	Cactus Dish Garden	Succulent Dish Garden
June 2022	Rebutia, Aylosteria, Sulcorebutia, Weingartia	Echeveria
July 2022	Matucana, Oroya	Mesembs, NO Lithops or Conophytum
August 2022	Epithelantha, Frailea, Aztekium	Dyckia, Hechtia, Puya
September 2022	Variegated cactus	Variegated Succulent



Monthly Cactus: Miniatures

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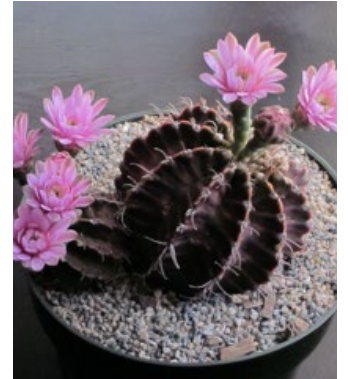
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Cactus: Miniatures



Astrophytum myriostigma
var. *nudum*



Gymnocalycium mihanovichii
var. *friedrichii*



Mammillaria candida



Mammillaria fragilis



Opuntia microdasy



Turbinicarpus kranzianus



By Tom Glavich



Monthly Succulent: Miniatures

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Succulent: Miniatures



Aeonium sedifolium



Agave filifera ssp. microceps



Aichryson bethencourtianum



Aloe descoingsii



Ceraria pygmaea



Titanopsis calcarea



By Tom Glavich



Crassula corymbulosa



Crassula susannae



Senecio haworthii

Latin Lookup

Loquerisne Latine (Do you speak Latin)?
The meanings of latin plant names on the previous pages
– from <http://davesgarden.com/guides/botanary/>

CACTUS

Astrophytum [ass-troh-FY-tum] From the Greek astro (star) and phyto (plant).
candida [KAN-did-uh, kan-DEE-duh] White, glittering.

fragilis [FRAJ-ih-liss] Brittle.

Gymnocalycium [jim-no-kal-LISS-ee-um]
From the Greek gymnos (naked) and kalyx (covering; calyx); the flower buds are naked.

Mammillaria [mam-mil-AR-ee-uh] Nipple- or teat-like.

mihanovichii [me-han-oh-VIK-ee-eye, my-han-oh-VIK-ee-eye] Named for Nicolas Mihanovich, 20th century Yugoslavian shipping magnate and patron of botany.

myriostigma [my-ree-oh-STIG-muh] From the Greek myrios (many, countless) and stigma (thorn, point).

nudum [NEW-doom] Nude, naked.

Opuntia [op-UN-shee-a, op-UN-tee-a] Named after Opus (Greece), an area where other cactus-like plants were grown.

Turbincarpus [tur-bin-ih-KAR-pus] From the Latin turbino (spinning) and karpos (fruit).

SUCCULENT

Aeonium [ee-OH-nee-um] An ancient name used by Dioscorides for one of the species in the genus.

Agave [a-GAH-vee] Noble, handsome.

Aichryson [eye-KRIS-on] From the Greek ai (always) and chrysos (gold) and referring to the flower color.

Aloe [AL-oh] From the Arabic Aloeh.

bethencourtianum [bet-en-cort-ee-AH-num]
Named for Jean de Bethencourt, 15th century Norman/French explorer of the Canary Islands.

calcareia [kal-KAR-ee-uh] Of chalky land.

Ceraria [ker-AR-ee-a, ser-AR-ee-a] Of wax; pertaining to wax candles.

corymbulosa [kor-im-bew-LOH-sa] Having corymbs (flower clusters in a particular arrangement).

Crassula [KRASS-oo-la, KRASS-uh-la] Somewhat thickened foliage; diminutive of the Latin crassus (thick, fleshy).

descoingsii [des-KOYN-see-eye] For 20th century French botanist Dr. Bernard Descoings.

filifera [fil-LIF-er-uh] Thread-bearing.

haworthii [hay-WOR-thee-eye] Named for Adrian Hardy Haworth, 19th century British botanist.

pygmaea [pig-MAY-uh] Dwarf.

sedifolium [sed-ih-FOH-lee-um] With fleshy foliage.

Senecio [sen-ek-ee-o, sen-NEESH-shee-oh] Latin form of old man refers to hairy parts of flowers.

susannae [soo-SAN-ay-ee] Named for Susanna (or Suzanna) Muir, wife of John Muir, 19th century Scottish born American naturalist and explorer; also spelled susanna.

Titanopsis [ty-tan-OP-sis] Resembles Titan, the sun god; referring to the flower's resemblance to the sun.

<https://davesgarden.com/guides/botanary>

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Virtual Mini-Show: **CACTUS/NOVICE**

CACTUS CATEGORY: NOVICE



SUBMITTED BY: SCCSS MEMBERS



Virtual Mini-Show: **SUCCULENT/NOVICE**

SUCCULENT CATEGORY: NOVICE



Kalanchoe millotii
by Terri Straub



Kalanchoe luciae
by Terri Straub

SEPTEMBER

Virtual Mini-Show: **CACTUS/INTERMEDIATE**

CACTUS CATEGORY: INTERMEDIATE

No entries this month.

SEPTEMBER

Virtual Mini-Show: **SUCCULENT/INTERMEDIATE**

SUCCULENT CATEGORY: INTERMEDIATE



Kalanchoe fedtschenkoi
by Lemono Lott



Kalanchoe orgyalis
by Lemono Lott



Kalanchoe synsepala dissecta
by Anita Caplan

SEPTEMBER

Virtual Mini-Show: CACTUS/OPEN

CACTUS CATEGORY: OPEN



Discocactus zehntneri
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



Discocactus sp
by Maria Capaldo



Uebelmannia pectinifera
by Laurel Woodley



Uebelmannia pectinifera
by Laurel Woodley



Discocactus sp
by Maria Capaldo



Virtual Mini-Show: **SUCCULENT/OPEN**

SUCCULENT CATEGORY: OPEN



Kalanchoe luciae
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



Kalanchoe arborescens
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe blossfeldiana
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe beharensis
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



Kalanchoe blossfeldiana
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe citrina
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe fedtschenkoi
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



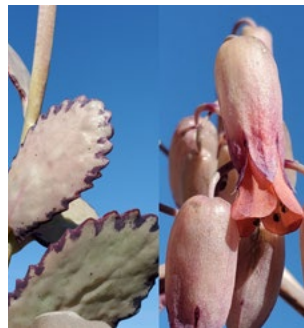
Kalanchoe fedtschenkoi
by Maria Capaldo



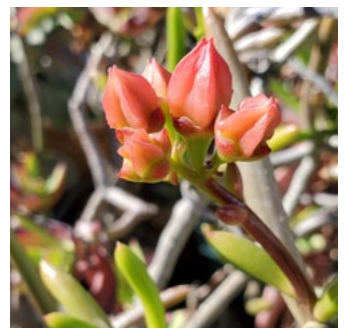
Kalanchoe grandiflora
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe hildebrandtii
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe laxiflora
by Laurel Woodley



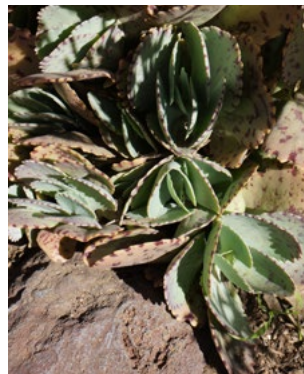
Kalanchoe linearifolia
by Laurel Woodley



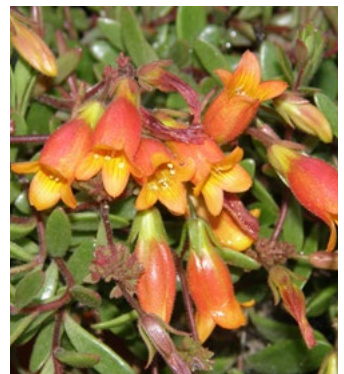
Kalanchoe linearifolia
by Maria Capaldo



Kalanchoe longiflora
var. *coccinea* by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe marmorata
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe 'Orangery'
(*K. jungmansii* x *K. manginii*)
by Laurel Woodley



SEPTEMBER

Virtual Mini-Show: **SUCCULENT/OPEN**

SUCCULENT CATEGORY: OPEN



Kalanchoe marmorata
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe petitiana (Ethiopia)
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe pumila
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe rhombopilosa
by Maria Capaldo



Kalanchoe robusta
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe streptantha
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe synsepala
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe tomentosa
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe tomentosa
by Maria Capaldo



Kalanchoe tomentosa
Phyllis DeCrescenzo



Kalanchoe uniflora
by Laurel Woodley



Kalanchoe tomentosa
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo



Kalanchoe tubiflora
by Phyllis DeCrescenzo

SEPTEMBER

SCSS Mini-Show 2021 Standings

[Click here for sortable standings](#)

Novice Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total	Intermediate Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total	Open Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total
Ambrosia, Kitching	0	2	2	Caplan, Anita	3	15	18	Capaldo, Maria	7	11	18
Bantad, Sonia	3	3	6	Johnson, Bernard	5	13	18	DeCrescenzo, Phyllis	8	10	18
Bjarkman, M.A.	2	8	10	LaForest, Dale	0	4	4	Duke, Gary	6	4	10
Cozzolino, Karin	0	2	2	Lott, Lemono	0	3	3	Fasteau, Sally	4	8	12
Davis, Gretchen	3	5	8	Short, Mike	2	12	14	Gardner, Jim	2	12	14
Nisewaner, John	1	1	2					Hanna, Jim	0	2	2
Richer, Russ	1	0	1					Wilk, William	3	6	9
Straub, Terri	8	10	18					Woodley, Laurel	9	9	18
Tanner, Jim	4	12	16								
Tillotson, Joe	1	9	10								
Wong, Clif	3	1	4								
Wong, Sue	0	2	2								
Zedler, Cory	0	2	2								

Mini-show Virtual Points

One (1) Mini show point each for a submitted photo of your cactus and succulent (up to 2 points)

Up to two (2) points for those submitting garden photos if you had **not** submitted Mini-show photos.



Out and About: Cactus and Succulent News

*Reminder:
Sunday,
October 17, 2021*

**CONEJO
CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY**



Est. 2016

Succulent & Cactus Plant Sale

Sunday, October 17, 2021

9:00 am - 4:00 pm

558 North Ventu Park Road

Thousand Oaks, CA, 91320

SE corner of Ventu & Hillcrest

Vendors will be offering

Cactus, Succulents, Bromeliads & Plumerias

Along with Pottery

and Jewelry



**Experts will be available for
advice on growing and cultivation**



Please bring boxes or bags to carry home your purchases.

For more information: Facebook: Conejo Cactus & Succulent Society
Web: ConejoCSS.com Email: ConejoCSS@hotmail.com

Upcoming Events

[Click here for Full List](#)



**SOUTH COAST
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SOCIETY**

**October meeting
ZOOM meeting
October 10, 2021**

Meeting: 1:00 pm,
presentation: 1:30 pm.

Join Zoom Meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85960649380?pwd=V1hFOHYxaFo1UUIlelcbHNBQkVPUT09>



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