



# PRICKLY NEWS

SOUTH COAST CACTUS & SUCCULENT SOCIETY NEWSLETTER | April 2022

Show  
and  
Sale

## SCCSS April Show and Sale, APRIL 23 and 24, 2022

CELEBRATING 50 YEARS OF SUCCULENT ART



It was wonderful to see all of you at the in-person meeting in March. The energy at the Library Community Room was great and I really enjoyed our meeting. We all received the Plant of the Year, *Fockea edulis*, grown from seed by Laurel Woodley-Thank you, Laurel! There are some great photos of the meeting on our Facebook page.

**SHOW AND SALE:** The BIG EVENT is here- The 2022 Show and Sale will be at the Palos Verdes Art Center on April 23-24<sup>th</sup>-celebrating 50 years! We will be setting up on Friday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> 12 PM until 5 PM. There will be Society Show Tables, so please bring your best dressed plant to show. Up to 5 points will be awarded toward your Mini Show count for plants exhibited. There will be no individual tables due to space constraints. Also, save some plants to sell at the Society Sale Table! These need to be brought on Friday so we can set up. Please provide labels and name for your donated plants. You may also contact me if you have any plants to donate at [minniecap@icloud.com](mailto:minniecap@icloud.com).

**VOLUNTEERS:** We still need volunteers and Terri Straub is organizing positions that are needed. Please contact her at [terriStraub@me.com](mailto:terriStraub@me.com) to volunteer for the event. See the description in the Newsletter for volunteer jobs. We will be opening the doors each day at 9 AM on Saturday and Sunday and close at 4 PM. Any time you can give is appreciated. For those who work all day, lunch will be provided.

**DUES:** Thank you to all who have submitted their dues for 2022. We are collecting dues (\$20 per person) and ask that you please submit the membership form that is on the link on our website: <https://southcoastcss.org/join/> You may complete the form on your computer and print it which can avoid legibility problems for Sally, our membership chair. If you can print it you can mail it to our Treasurer (address on the form), or bring it to the meetings or the Sale. Dues are not pro-rated and are for each individual.

*I hope to see you all at the sale!*  
Maria Capaldo



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# SCCSS Show & Sale Volunteer Jobs

**Dear Society Members:** This is a general list of job descriptions for the upcoming Show & Sale, April 23-24. Please read this over to find a job you would like to do. We would like to spend some time at the upcoming meetings getting volunteers assigned to the various jobs. For information or to sign up for a time slot contact: Terri Straub, [terriStraub@me.com](mailto:terriStraub@me.com) or text/call: 424-445-9222.

## FRIDAY SETUP

Arrive Friday, April 22nd at 1:00 PM to help arrange the tables, put up signs.  
General helping of show organizing.

**SOCIETY SALE TABLE:** These are plants society members have donated. The table needs to be set up with tablecloths and plant tags by Friday afternoon. (All are provided by the society.) Members can bring in their plants starting Friday afternoon. Saturday morning help arrange the plants on the table and make sure they are pest free. On Saturday and Sunday, keep an eye on the plants, answer general questions about the plants and keep table looking nice

## CASHIERS

Check out buyers by ringing up the cost on the tags, adding up the total with tax and collecting cash and checks. Experience with a cash register advised. Credit card person will run the cards and give receipts.

## TAG PULLERS

We need many people to help pull tags in different shifts. Tags are in the plants the buyers are purchasing. Pullers need to pull the tags, count them and make sure that number matches the number of plants to be purchased.

## HOSPITALITY/MEMBERSHIP/ T-SHIRTS

Volunteers will help with new memberships or sell T-shirts Answer general questions and direct guests to features of the event.

## PRESALE PLANT HOLDING AREA

These volunteers will help watch that buyers only take their plants and not pick and choose from other people's plants in the holding area. Can be a sitting job.

## OUTDOOR HOLDING PLANTS

Hold plants for those who need to drive their car up to parking lot to load plants in their car. Sign up for shifts.

## CLEAN UP

At 4 PM Sunday we close the show/sale. We need volunteers to help take down signs, clean off tables, sweep and general clean up. Pack up rented tables.



APRIL

## South Coast Cactus & Succulent Show and Sale remembered!

Photos from previous years  
SCCSS Show & Sale:



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## South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Show and Sale

### SOUTH COAST CACTUS AND SUCCULENT SOCIETY CELEBRATES NATURE'S ARTISTIC MASTERPIECES AT GOLDEN ANNIVERSARY SHOW AND SALE.

First Ever Event At Palos Verdes Art Center Features Thousands Of Eye-Catching Plants, Artisan Hand-Crafted Pottery And Expert Growers Offering Free Advice.

After a frustrating two-year absence, the always-popular annual Show and Sale of the SCCS Society, first begun in 1972, is back to wow the public once again in person. And the timing could not be better.

You'll find inspiration at the Show contributed by the Society's expert gardeners whose homegrown succulents will be on glorious display in containers that enhance the plants' qualities.

This year's sale, the weekend of April 23-24, will offer literally thousands of plants including rare, unique, hard-to-find specimens from both the Society's members and well-known vendors. Popular standards and favorites will also be available at reasonable prices. You can get advice and the answers to your questions from these same plant aficionados.

Everything the gardener needs to express their creativity and successfully grow all of these succulents can be found at the sale, including tools, supplies, fertilizers, labels, top dressing and a wide variety of hand-made pots and containers.

When this Society was started 50 years ago, it could not be imagined how relevant and widespread succulents would become. The immense popularity of drought-tolerant cactus and succulents, many in aesthetically-appealing, creative designs and combinations, can now be seen in landscapes across every neighborhood in Southern California where they are well suited to our low water trends.

Although not carefree, they require little maintenance in the right conditions. Perhaps more than any plant type, succulents provide a sculptural element to gardens and are often chosen for their form, color or shape. Their range of colors, alluring shapes, textures, flowers and forms spur their use to paint and sculpt your garden. The only limits are your imagination.

Artistic expression in your garden can take many forms, whether in a single focal plant or mass use of one or more types ... or in containers that can be artfully arranged. You can showcase a single subject in a container that perfectly frames its beauty or you can create a garden that incorporates plants that may provide flowers throughout the year.

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## South Coast Cactus Society Show and Sale

Whether succulents are arranged in a pot or one specimen is showcased, it is often the container that enhances the statement they make. Laurel Woodley, who has held positions in the national Cactus and Succulent Society of America and of the local Society, has a garden that demonstrates the dramatic impact that a succulent in a thoughtfully-chosen container can have.

“Succulents provide an opportunity to diversify or add new interest to your garden with water-wise plants,” Laurel enthused. “Placing multiple plants together creates a pallet or appealing look, whether in a container or in the ground. It takes an artistic eye to combine plants, and it can take trial and error.

Some principles I’ve learned include staging potted plants to look as natural as possible. In nature, they may grow amongst rocks which can add to a garden design. You don’t have to rely on their beautiful flowers for color. Some succulent leaves provide more intense color at certain times of the year, such as *Aloe dorothea*.”

SCCSS president, Maria Capaldo, expressed that, “We are happy to plan in-person meetings back at the South Coast Botanic Garden this year starting in June. We’ll resume our usual programs which include fascinating presentations from speakers on topics ranging from propagation to planting to the travels they’ve undertaken to experience cacti and succulents from around the world. Members bring plants to display, vendors sell their plants, knowledge is shared, problems are addressed and expertise is freely given during typical monthly meetings. That is the purpose of our Society and it’s even more successful now than ever.”

As the premiere venue for local art and artists, the Palos Verdes Art Center is an apt home for this year’s show and sale. The spacious and inviting Art Center is bathed in bright, natural light from its distinctive overhead dome, displaying plants in their glory.

No reservations are needed for free access to the Show and Sale as well as the Center’s galleries and gift shop. Ample, free parking and a convenient access ramp is provided.

The SCCSS is a non-profit society founded in 1972. For 50 years they have promoted education and cooperation among hobbyists and others interested in the study, culture and propagation of succulent plants, including cacti that adapt well to our region in particular, but also educate us about those around the globe.

### **South Coast Cactus & Succulent Society Annual Show and Sale**

**When: April 23 and 24; 9:00 am to 4:00 pm**

**Where: Palos Verdes Art Center**

**5504 Crestridge Road, Rancho Palos Verdes CA 90275**

**Admission and parking: Free; no reservations needed**

**Information: [www.southcoastcss.org](http://www.southcoastcss.org) or 310-346-6206**





## CSSA Photo Contest

Greetings CSSA Affiliate Organizations,

It is time to get out your cell phones, cameras or other photography devices. The Cactus and Succulent Society of America (CSSA) is holding its first ever national photo contest. All CSSA members are eligible to participate.



*Photo credit Irwin Lightstone*

### CSSA Photo Contest

To celebrate and contemplate the plants we love, the CSSA is holding a photo contest open to CSSA members and the minor children of CSSA members. For the theme of "**The Artistry of Cacti and Succulents,**" you are invited to enter up to three images.

There are two divisions; adult (16 years and older), and youth (younger than 16 years). Prizes will be awarded in each of the divisions.

- ☐ First Place: \$100.00 Gift Certificate from B&H Photo - Video, publication of the image in 'To the Point', and an 8 x 10 inch (approximate) print of the image.
- ☐ Second Place: \$25.00 credit toward purchase at the CSSA Seed Depot, publication of the image in 'To the Point', and an 8 x 10 inch (approximate) print of the image.
- ☐ Third Place: Publication of the image in 'To the Point', and an 8 x 10 inch (approximate) print of the image.
- ☐ Honorable Mention: Publication of the image in 'To the Point'.

Deadline for entries is midnight PST, May 1, 2022. As there are no entry fees, you have nothing to lose! For more information about entry and the specific contest rules please visit the CSSA website home page. [http://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/photo\\_contest.html](http://cactusandsucculentsociety.org/photo_contest.html)





## Transforming Your Garden Into a Gallery of Gorgeous Succulents



**Meet Author Debra Lee Baldwin,  
“The Queen of Succulents”  
Sunday, May 1st, 1 - 4pm  
Tickets \$30 at EVENTBRITE**

The Peninsula Garden Club and Palos Verdes Art Center will host author and horticulturist, Debra Lee Baldwin, in the presentation, “Transforming Your Garden Into a Gallery of Gorgeous Succulents.”

Discover how to create a personal paradise that delights you and your guests. In this all-new presentation, Debra shows simple and effective ways to showcase intriguing, fleshy-leaved plants. Succulents are easy-care, too. Did you know our area has an ideal climate for growing them?

Debra launched worldwide interest in succulents with her first book, *Designing with Succulents*, and has written several other books on these plants. Debra will sign books before and after her presentation. Tickets are \$30. Seating is limited and tickets must be purchased in advance. This event will start at 1pm at Palos Verdes Art Center at 5504 Crestridge Rd in Rancho Palos Verdes.

**For more information call Jackie Johnson  
at 310-850-2821.**



# Mini-Show Plant Calendar



## Mini-Show Plants for 2022

April 2022	SHOW and SALE	SHOW and SALE
May 2022	Cactus Dish Garden	Succulent Dish Garden
June 2022	Rebutia, Aylostera, 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
October 2022	Turbinicarpus	Adromischus
November 2022	South American columnar cactus (Espostoa, Oreocereus, Cleistocactus, etc.)	Pelargonium, Sarcocaulon, Tylecodon
December 2022	Holiday Potluck	Holiday Potluck
January 2023	Mammillaria straight spine (clumping)	Aloe
February 2023	Epiphytic Cactus	Haworthia, Astroloba
March 2023	Echinocactus	Agave, Manfreda, (inc. x Mangave)





## SCCSS Mini-Show 2022 Results

Mini-Show Results March, 2022

Cactus of the Month: *Thelocactus*. Succulent of the Month: *Aeonium*, *Greenovia* .

Results submitted by: Jim Tanner

### Novice

#### Novice Cactus

- 1st: Terri Straub – *Thelocactus rinconensis*
- 2nd: Terri Straub – *Thelocactus bueckii*
- 3rd: Terri Straub – *Thelocactus hexaedrophorus*

#### Novice Succulent

- 1st: Terri Straub – *Aeonium* ‘Kiwi’
- 2nd: Terri Straub – *Aeonium* ‘Sunburst’, crested
- 3rd: Terri Straub – *Aeonium* ‘Kiwi’

### Intermediate

#### Intermediate Cactus

- 1st: Bernard Johnson – *Thelocactus bicolor*

#### Intermediate Succulent

- 1st: Mike Short – *Aeonium leucoblepharum* aka ‘Berry Nice’
- 2nd: Bernard Johnson – *Aeonium*
- 3rd: Anita Caplan – *Aeonium* ‘Sunburst’
- 3rd: Bernard Johnson – *Aeonium* ‘Kiwi’

### Open

#### Open Cactus

- 1st: Gary Duke – *Thelocactus macdowellii*
- 2nd: Gary Duke – *Thelocactus bicolor*
- 3rd: Gary Duke – *Thelocactus bicolor* var. *bolaensis*

#### Open Succulent

- 1st: Jim Gardner – *Aeonium* ‘Lily Pad’
- 2nd: Jim Gardner – *Aeonium goochiae*
- 3rd: Laurel Woodley – *Aeonium* ‘Lily Pad’



## SCSS Mini-Show 2022 Standings

[Click here for sortable standings](#)

Novice Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total	Intermediate Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total	Open Class	Cactus	Succulents	Total
Bjarkman, M.A.	0	2	2	Caplan, Anita	2	2	4	Capaldo, Maria	9	5	14
Bjerke, Martha	0	1	1	Johnson, Bernard	9	8	17	DeCrescenzo, Phyllis	2	2	4
Davis, Gretchen	1	1	2	Short, Mike	1	9	10	Duke, Gary	6	2	8
Galliani, Debra	0	4	4					Gardner, Jim	0	11	11
Neely, Jade	0	1	1					Woodley, Laurel	2	6	8
Straub, Terri	14	14	28								

### Mini-Show Rules

Exhibitors must be club members and must be present at the meeting in order to receive points. One name representing the same household must be used unless plants are grown separately. Mini-show coordinator will be consulted if there is any question of entry identity.

Any container may be used, including plastic, as long as it is clean. All plants must be groomed and free of pests and disease.

There are two plant categories, "Cactus" and "Succulents". Up to three plants per individual may be entered in each category.

There are three entry classes: "Novice", "Intermediate" and "Open". Only members new to the hobby would be expected to be in the novice class. After the November meeting, members'

point totals will be reviewed by the Board of the Society. Novice members awarded more than 64 points or winning at least 6 first place awards will be asked to move to the Intermediate class in both categories. Intermediate Members awarded more than 64 points or winning at least 6 first place awards, will be asked to begin showing in the Open class.

All plants must be grown by the exhibitor for a minimum of six months for novice and intermediate and one year for open class. An individual plant may be entered only once a year

#### Scoring:

First Place: **6 points**

Second place: **4 points**

Third place: **2 points**

**Placement:** all entries that are not disqualified receive one point







## South Coast Cactus and Succulent Society Membership Application

**New and Renewing Members:** You can either fill in the information on a computer then print, or print first then write in the information. Please sign after printing.

Make check payable to: **SCCSS**  
Mail form and payment to: **Bernard Johnson,**  
**629 18<sup>th</sup> Street, Manhattan Beach, CA 90266**

Date mm/dd/yy:

Name:

Address:

City:  State:  Zip:

Email Address:  Phone:

Our membership year begins January 1 and ends December 31.

- \$20.00 Membership: Renewal or New Member
- Lifetime Member Honoree: No Charge
- I am a Member of CSSA – Cactus and Succulent Society of America

The above information will be included in our Membership Directory (for use by members only). If you wish to exclude any of the above information from the Directory, please indicate your exclusions here.

Do not publish my:  Email  Phone  Address

SCCSS is a 501 3C organization. In addition to your dues you may make an optional charitable donation to support our philanthropic endeavors as well as the operating expenses of the organization. If you choose to do so, please indicate the amount \_\_\_\_\_. You will receive a donation receipt. Thank you.

I agree to have my information published in the Membership Directory with noted exceptions.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Sally Fasteau, Membership Chair  
[sallyfasteau@cox.net](mailto:sallyfasteau@cox.net)  
310-544-1313

ms-20211209

Date \_\_\_\_\_ Check # \_\_\_\_\_ Cash \_\_\_\_\_ Amount \_\_\_\_\_ Donation \_\_\_\_\_ Receipt \_\_\_\_\_

## Upcoming Events

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### SCCSS Show & Sale

April 23/24

9:00 am - 4 pm PDT

310-346-6206

<https://southcoastcss.org>

Palos Verdes Art Center  
5504 Crestridge Rd.  
Rancho Palos Verdes, 90275  
310-541-2479



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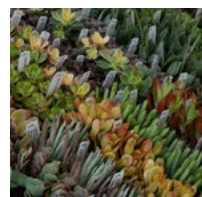
### Conejo C&SS Succulent & Cactus Plant Sale

April 24

9:00 am - 4:00 pm PDT

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.

Web: [ConejoCSS.com](http://ConejoCSS.com)



THE  
HUNTINGTON BOTANICAL  
GARDENS

### Huntington Spring Plant Sale 2022

April 24

10:00 am - 4:00 pm PDT

Member preview Fri., April 22 &  
Sat., April 23 Huntington Botanical  
Gardens, 1151 Oxford Road,  
San Marino, CA. Open to the public.  
Advance tickets required.  
Free with general admission.

INFO: 626-405-3504

[For more information and to learn more](#)



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