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The next monthly general meeting, the Annual Dinner, is Monday, April 16, 2018, at 7:00 pm

Monthly meetings are held at the San Francisco County Fair Building, Ninth Avenue at Lincoln Way in Golden Gate Park.

Free parking is available behind the San Francisco County Fair Building off Lincoln Way.

4:00 pm – Not this month, but usually a Botanical Gardens walk with the featured speaker. Meet outside the entrance gate to the San Francisco Botanical Garden. New rules require that if you do not enter with the California Horticultural Society as a group, you need to pay the entry fee if you are neither a SFBG member nor a resident of San Francisco. Please be on time.

5:30 pm – Usually a no-host dinner will take place. This month the Annual Dinner @ 7pm will take its place.

7:00 pm – Announcements, Plant Forum, and Program Meeting will be held at the San Francisco County Fair Building.

This month's meeting, the Annual Dinner, is for members and guests. Cal Hort members may attend for free. Non-members are welcome to participate as guests of Cal Hort Members.



Monday, May 21, 2018

**Annual Meeting and Potluck Dinner
San Francisco County Fair Building
Ninth Avenue at Lincoln Way**

7 pm Potluck

“Plants, Passion, and Propagation”

By Kathy Echols

California Horticultural Society's 2018 Annual Award Honoree



Come celebrate Kathy's well-earned 2018 Annual Award of the California Horticultural Society. Kathy has had a long and distinguished career with plants. Her presentation will highlight her life with plants and always trying to answer the question: “Does she have a Passion for propagation or is it a Passion for plants?”

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Volunteer for the Potluck! Start the May 21st meeting evening's fun early: come at 5pm to help with flower arrangements, the plant display tables, and the buffet and dining.

Bring your favorite dish - enough to serve eight - along with a serving utensil and your own plate, utensils and beverage. Alcohol is not permitted.

Bring unusual and choice plants for the Silent Auction.

RSVP required by Friday May 18. Email Arcangelo Wessells at calhortsociety@gmail.com using “Annual Dinner” as the subject.



Monday, July 16, 2018

“Designing with Palms”

by Jason Dewees

Palm trees are iconic. Jason goes beyond the palm as icon in his recent book *Designing with Palms* (Timber Press, 2018) demonstrating the diversity of palms -- trees, shrubs, vines, bamboo-like clumps, and stemless understory plants using beautiful photos taken for the book by Caitlin Atkinson. Jason is the staff horticulturist at Flora Grubb Gardens and East West Trees in San Francisco.

Sunday May 20: Coffee in the Oakland garden of Cal Hort member and garden designer Casper Curto. The bonus garden, the Aloe Institute, is located around the corner from Casper at his neighbor Mark Miller's place and is a collaboration with Brian Kemble from the Bancroft Garden. Expect an email "blast" soon for further details on this event and how to sign-up. Is your email address up to date with Cal Hort?



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Monthly Plant Drawing News

Each month various nurseries and individual members donate plants for the plant drawing. Perhaps you sowed a few too many seeds, or rooted too many cuttings, or you need to divide some plants that have gotten too big for your garden. Here is your opportunity to find those plants some good homes. We also expect several plants from the SF Flower & Garden Show's "Hot Picks"

Monthly Plant Display and Discussion

Each month there is a lively discussion about plants brought in by our members. It may be a well grown specimen or an unusual discovery, or a plant that has attributes that are not known by the main stream. If you are interested in participating, bring in a plant to show to the group. You can also donate this plant afterwards to the plant drawing.

California Horticultural Society Awards for 2018

At the Council's March meeting, they unanimously voted the following awards for the Annual Meeting and Potluck May 21.

More on these awards at the meeting this month:

Annual Award *Kathy Echols* (see page 1)

Lifetime Achievement Award: *Jack Halpern*

Photography Award: *John Rusk*

Best Website: *Gerhard Bock* (www.succulentsandmore.com/)

To join the California Horticultural Society or to find out about a full range of membership levels, please visit our web site at www.calhortsociety.org.

Questions from members about your membership?

Please address them to the Cal Hort membership chair:

Charlotte Masson, 579 Los Pamos Drive, San Francisco, CA 94127-2209.

The California Horticultural Society has maintained its quality programs because of the dedication of the volunteer officers, chairs and members. The future of the Society depends upon its member volunteers to provide leadership. The Board asks that members volunteer for positions to keep Cal Hort the best organization it can be.

IMPORTANT NOTICE!!!

WE NEED YOU TO VOLUNTEER TO BE BULLETIN EDITOR!!

Contact Steve Morse if you will consider volunteering for this position. He can be initially contacted via email at calhortinfo at gmail.com

Council

2018-2020 (Second Term) Mark Delepine, Steve Morse, Andy Stone

2016-2018 (Second Term) Ellen Edelson, Charlotte Masson, Kristin Yanker-Hansen

2016-2018 (First Term) Mary Engle, Bart O'Brien, Arcangelo Wessells

Officers

President	Open
Vice President	Open
Recording Secretary	Mary Engle
Treasurer	Carl Meier
Parliamentarian	Open
Membership	Charlotte Masson

Again... Thank you to those who have renewed your membership.

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Please keep us updated with any changes to your email addresses.