



Central Jersey Orchid Society Newsletter

September 2024

September 2024 President's Message

September, 2024 Dear members, as the year progresses and we transition into the cooler months of September and October, our orchids enter a critical period of preparation for the winter ahead. These months are ideal for assessing the health of your collection, planning repotting, and making any necessary adjustments to light and watering schedules. September is a time for reflection on the growing season we've had so far. Have your orchids thrived, or have there been challenges? Now is the perfect opportunity to make notes, so you can adapt your care routine in the coming year. If you've experienced any issues, don't hesitate to bring your questions to our next meeting—our collective knowledge is one of our society's greatest strengths. October brings the onset of fall, and with it, changes in temperature and light that can impact our orchids. Be mindful of the shorter days and cooler nights, and consider how these factors will affect your plants. It's also the time to think ahead to any protective measures you might need to take as winter approaches. We have some exciting events planned for the coming months. Our auction is scheduled for September 28th. Please remember that the auction is our main fundraiser for the year. Success at the auction means more funds for speakers, displays and parties. Please tell George Wallace what you will be donating to the auction and provide him or Ed with a picture of the plant label no later than the Wednesday before as he and Ed will be coordinating in my absence. Remember, that as we have done for several years, the orchids can be left at my greenhouse in advance of the auction. We also have our annual orchid display at Rutgers. This is a wonderful opportunity to showcase your best

blooms and see the incredible diversity of orchids that our members cultivate. Whether you're a seasoned grower or a beginner, there's always something to learn and admire.

See you soon, Anne



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Meeting Location

**Trinity Church 33 Mercer St.,
Princeton, NJ 08540-6893**

[Meetings and Events 2024-25](#)

Arrive at 6:30.

Meeting will start at 7:00PM

Meetings are held the **Third Thursday** of the month.

September 19 (Meeting)

Albert Tamashauskyy

**Orchid Growing at the Swartz Brewery
Oxford NJ**

September 28 CJOS Auction

October 17- Bill Stender

How to think like an orchid

November 21: Carrie Buchmann

World Orchid Conference (**WOC**) and
the 20th Taiwan International Orchid
Show (**TIOS**)

December 19: Holiday Party

January 16: Jaymie Santiago

February 20: Ask the expert

**March 20: Greg Grifis - Orchid House
Curator Longwood Gardens**

April 17: TBA

May 15: Richard Ho

June : Picnic (date TBA)

Officers and Committees:

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**Details (Maps and Pictures) of Meeting Location on
Pages 5-8**

Additional Parking for CJOS Meeting see page 9

CJOS Member's Show Table

(Will start again at the Sept meeting)

September Speaker

Albert Yamasaki

Albert Tamashauskyy began growing orchids in 1974. He dropped out of a biology program and Kean College (Union NJ) and went to work full time for Lager & Hurrell Orchids, Summit New Jersey. During the two years spent at Lager and Hurrell Albert learned the art and science of orchid potting, vegetative propagation, and general orchid culture. Albert moved to Oxford in 1977 where he grew orchids in a converted bedroom. In 1982 he moved just around the corner and began growing orchids in the lagering cave at the Swartz Brewery.

Albert's formal training is in chemical engineering and material science. He holds a BS in chemical engineering from Lafayette College. Albert is semi-retired from Asbury Carbons where he previously acted as Director of Technical Services and chief science officer.

Orchid Growing at the Swartz Brewery, Oxford, New Jersey: Adaptation of a 19th Century Structure to a 21st Century Application.

The presentation will describe how he grows miniature orchids, under lights in the remnants of the historical Swartz Brewery located in Oxford, Warren County, New Jersey. Oxford, NJ is a small town in the western corner of Warren County, and is the home of the "Oxford Furnace", established ca 1741. Oxford Furnace is one of the earliest blast furnaces in the Nation. The Oxford Furnace supplied iron for armaments and utilitarian items for the revolution and Oxford was an iron producing town until the late 1950s. The Swartz Brewery was one of many small breweries that sprung up during the 19th century to provide beer to the local workers and inhabitants.

The Swartz brewery consisted of a main "utility building" and an attached subterranean "cave", 8 feet below the surface that served as a "lagering" chamber for the beer. Albert will describe in detail the layout of the cave, the renovations performed to allow orchid cultivation within the cave, and the unique "cloud forest" environment provided by this underground structure.

Albert will bring for sale: A general mix of miniature species including some from the genera Dendrobium, Bulbophyllum, Masdevallia, Porroglossom, Maxillaria, etc. All plants are 100% grown under lights and are ideal for fluorescent light culture.

Important Show Table information!

A document is attached to the email which sends this newsletter. Now you can fill out your show table card at home. This will save you time and you can hopefully print better (more legibly) for the judges to read and record.



Upcoming Webinars



Greenhouse Chat September 2024

Ron McHatton

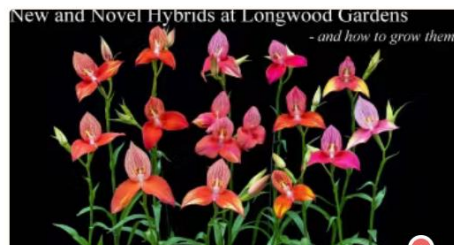


Thursday, September 5th, 2024
8:30 – 9:30 pm EST EST

Orchid Q&A. Find answers to questions you did not even know you had.

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New and Novel Hybrids at the Longwood Gardens, and How to Grow Them

Greg Griffis



Tuesday, September 10th, 2024
8:30 PM EDT EST

Join Greg Griffis as he takes us on tour at Longwood Gardens to see the beautiful Hybrids they have been raising there, and learn how to grow them, especially the unusual ones.



Greenhouse Chat October 2024

Ron McHatton



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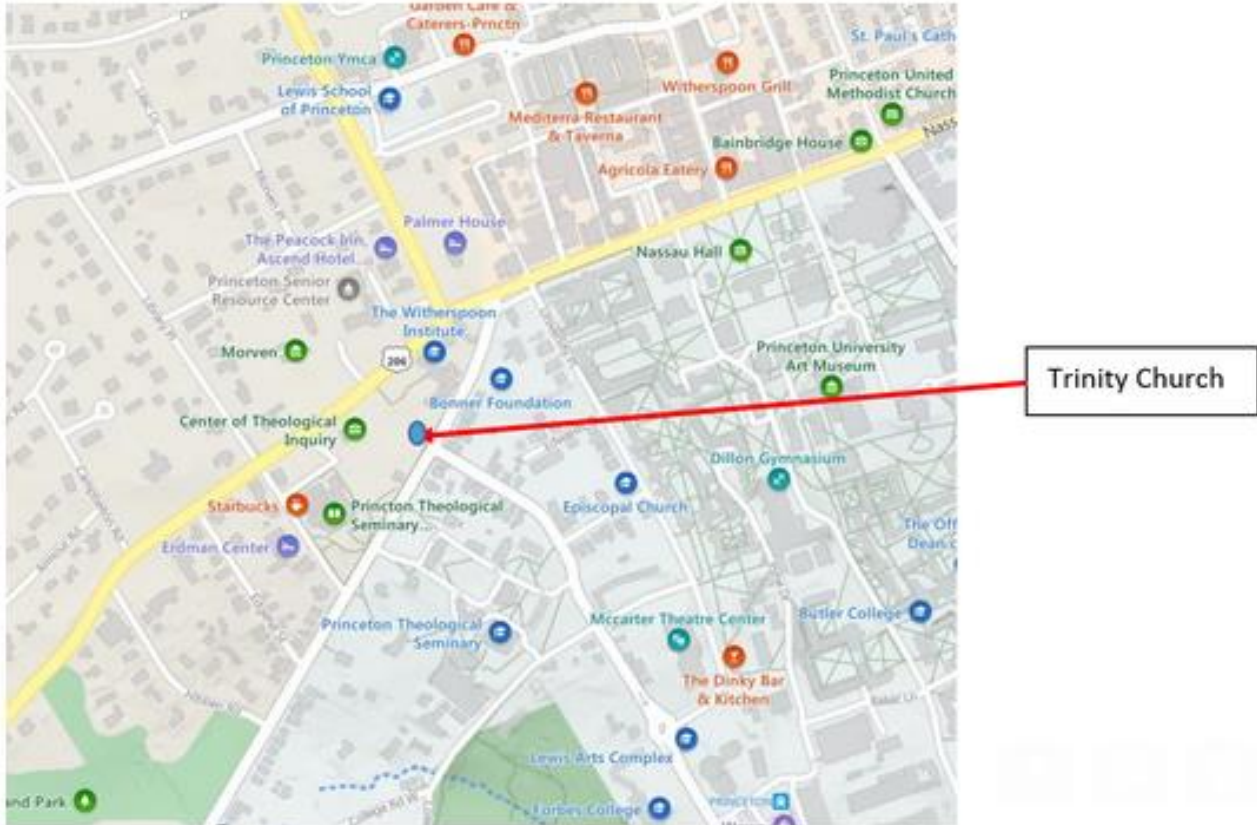
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Go to [AOS.org](https://www.aos.org) for information on orchid culture and care.

While you are visting their site, please join AOS. Support this worthy organization. Lots of benefits.

Meeting Location Trinity Church 33 Mercer St, Princeton, NJ 08540-6893 (using 47 Mercer St for GPS may pinpoint the parking lot better)

Here are some map locations and pictures (next few pages) to help find the new location. Here is one of the easiest ways to pin point the new meeting location: It is almost directly opposite Alexander Rd. Since it will probably be dark, I have included a few night time pictures of the meeting location.





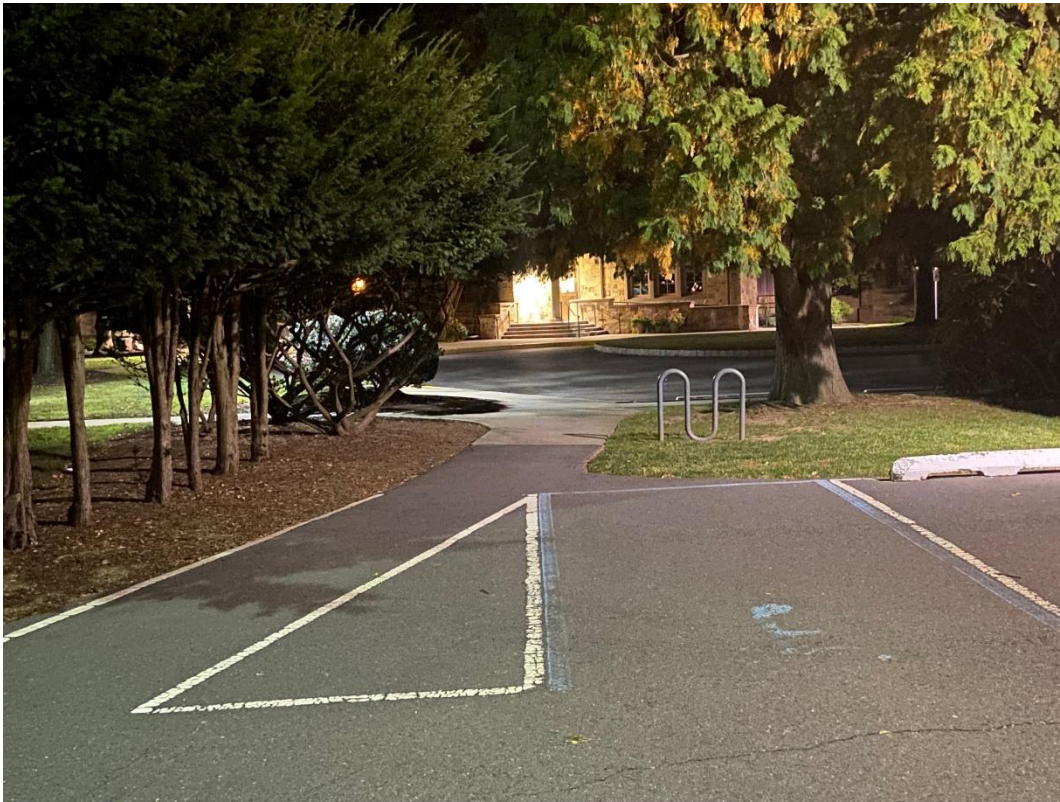
Night Time pictures of meeting location



This view is looking south on Mercer St (away from downtown Princeton) note the crosswalk just before the entrance to the Parking lot.



This view is looking north on Mercer St (toward downtown Princeton)

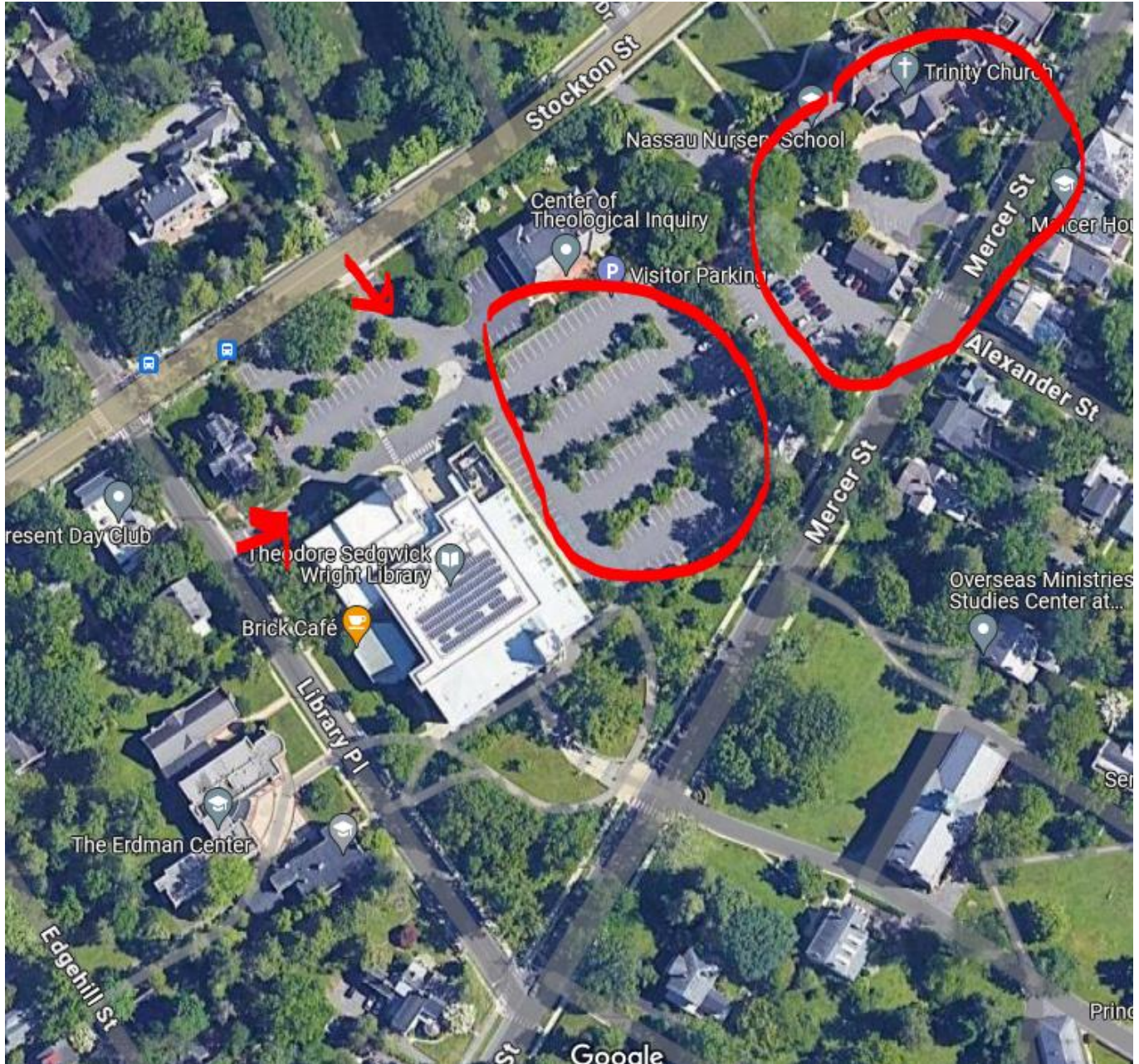


This view is in the parking lot facing toward the meeting entrance door.



This view is the door (the one that is brightly lit, straight ahead) for the meeting entrance

Additional Parking for CJOS Meeting



You can get to this additional parking (Princeton Theological Seminary Library) from Route 206 or Library Place (see map above). There is a cut through path to get to the Trinity Church meeting site from this parking lot. Facing the Trinity Church it is to the far right.