

**XXXII INTERNATIONAL ORCHID SHOW  
XV SHOW “ORCHIDS, BIRDS AND FLOWERS” AND  
HANDICRAFTS SHOW**

**AUGUST 6 TO 10 2008**

**Show presentation**

Orchid Friends,

In August of 2008, the Colombian Orchid Society will be celebrating the 15th anniversary of its annual show: **Orchids, Birds and Flowers**. The show is held during Medellín’s Flower Festival, the most famous flower festival in Colombia.

We would like to extend a cordial invitation to you to accompany us in this wonderful event, at which time we are proud to announce that we will also have an extraordinary additional show: **The XXXII International Orchid Show** during which time the Odontoglossum and Pleurothallid Alliances will hold their annual meeting. During these simultaneous events, we’ll be privileged to gather together well-known orchid fanciers from the different invited countries.

Yours,

JUAN FELIPE POSADA MORENO  
President SCO

JAVIER RÍOS G  
Show manager

The following pages contain general data about our shows. If you need further detailed information, please feel free to contact the Colombian Orchid Society (Sociedad Colombiana de Orquideología) vía E-mail: [socorqui@une.net.co](mailto:socorqui@une.net.co)

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**Show Schedule**

**Show Location**

- Orquidearama (Exposition Area) of the Botanical Garden in Medellín

**Setting up of stands**

- **Monday**, August 4 2008 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday**, August 5 2008 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Attendee registration**

- **Monday**, August 4 2008 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.
- **Tuesday**, August 5 2008 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Plant registration**

- **Tuesday**, August 5 2008 8:00 a.m. to 6:00 p.m.

**Sales area set up**

- **Wednesday**, August 6/2008 8:00 a.m. to 12 noon.

**Judging**

- **Wednesday**, August 6 2008 8:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.
  - AOS for plants, flowers and exhibits
  - CCO for Colombian species
  - Ribbons and Trophies
  - Especial Exhibit design

**Show open to the Public**

- **Thursday**, August 7 2008 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Friday**, August 7 2008 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Saturday**, August 7 2008 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.
- **Sunday**, August 7 2008 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

**Inaugural Cocktail party**

- **Wednesday**, August 6 2008 7:00 p.m.

Official opening of the XXXII International Orchid Show  
And the XV edition of Orchids, Birds and Flowers

**Exhibit tear down**

- **Monday**, August 11 2008 8:00 a.m. to 7:00 p.m.

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**Special activities for domestic and international visitors and exhibitors**

**Desfile de silleteros**

- **Thursday**, August 7<sup>th</sup> 2008            2.00 p.m.
  - This will be the version of this 51st annual Flower Parade. Now a world resounded event where peasants carry giant masterfully crafted floral arrangements on their backs. The parade also has bands and folk dance groups. (Reservations are recommended)

**City tour in “chiva”**

- **Thursday**, August 7<sup>th</sup> 2008            2.00 p.m.
- **Friday**, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2008            2.00 p.m.
  - “Chivas” are colorfully painted buses used in the countryside to transport people, produce and small animals. Now they have been adapted for city visitors. They are open on the side and the benches are parallel to the driver’s seat. Music, and drinks accompany the trip

**City tour**

- **Friday**, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2008            2.00 p.m.
  - A ride through the city that includes visits to shopping centers.

**Visit to Colomborquideas**

- **Friday**, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2008            9:00 a.m. to 4.00 p.m.
  - Exclusively for members of the Odontoglossum and Pleurothallid Alliances.
  - Meeting of the Odontoglossum and Pleurothallid alliances.

**Dinner and Auction of orchid plants**

- **Friday**, August 8<sup>th</sup> 2008            6,00 p.m.
  - A gathering inviting all participants to the show (fee required)

### **Trip to the mountainous area east of Medellín**

- **Saturday, August 9<sup>th</sup> 2008** 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
- **Sunday, August 10<sup>th</sup> 2008** 9.00 a.m. to 6.00 p.m.
  - On this trip you will travel through the mountainous countryside and visit the dairy area of Medellín.
  - Visit Fitzebad
  - Visit Orquifollajes

### **Visit orchid growers and collections**

- The show will arrange for visits to orchid collectors and interesting cities around Medellín, including Santa Fé de Antioquia a colonial town, Venecia, and Amaga

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**Hotel rates**

**Intercontinental (official hotel)**

- Single room US \$ 110
- Double room US \$130.00
- Prices include:
  - Buffet breakfast in the Restaurant
  - Welcome Coctail
  - Recreational Areas
  - Medical Attention
  - Internet
- Prices do not include
  - 10% tax and Hotel Insurance of US \$2.50/person.

The International Hotel is the hotel chosen as the official one for the XXXII International Exposition of Orchids in Colombia and the XV version of “Orchids, Birds and Flowers and Handicrafts Fair.

Reservations should be made directly with the Intercontinental Hotel with Mrs. Ivonne Echavarría or Mrs. Denise Garcés at the following telephone (574) 315 4443 or by FAX (574) 315 4404 or e-mail [mdeha.reservas@ihg.com](mailto:mdeha.reservas@ihg.com) When making the reservation, please mention the code word ORQUIDEA.

**Other Hotels**

**Poblado Plaza**

- Single room US \$ 105.00
- Double room US \$135.00

**Poblado Plaza Alejandría**

- Single room US \$ 100.00
- Double room US \$110.00

**Park 10**

- Single room US \$ 105.00
- Double room US \$120.00

**Four points Sheraton**

- Single room US \$ 102.00
- Double room US \$110.00

**All of the above hotels include:**

- Buffet breakfast served in the restaurant
- Welcome Cocktail
- Recreational areas
- Medical attention
- Internet

Not included:

- 10% tax or the Hotel Insurance.

Reservations for any of these hotels should be made through the office of the Colombian Orchid Society (Sociedad Colombiana de Orquideología)

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FERIA DE ARTESANIAS  
XV EXPOSICIÓN FERIA DE LAS FLORES  
XXXII EXPOSICIÓN INTERNACIONAL  
DE ORQUÍDEAS DE COLOMBIA  
AGOSTO 6 AL 10 DE 2008  
MEDELLÍN - COLOMBIA**

Please fill out the information sheet below for further information regarding the  
XXXII Colombian International Orchid Show

Name

Company

Address

City  State  Zip Code

Country

Telephone (  )  FAX (  )

e-mail

I would like to receive more information about:

- Exhibition area
- Sales area
- Tourism
- Participants
- Costs of trips and attractions
- Accommodation / hotels
- Commercial orchid growers
- Other \_\_\_\_\_

Please use the word document attached and send via mail to: [socorqui@une.net.co](mailto:socorqui@une.net.co) or

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