

For Immediate Release  
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***The Orchid Show At The New York Botanical Garden***  
**Offers a Full Complement of Programming**  
**February 26–March 27, 2005**

**Expert-led Tours, Demonstrations, Presentations and Booksignings:**

**Weekend of February 26–27**

***Orchid Basics—Home Gardening Demonstration—Saturday, February 26, 1 p.m.***

Join Gardener for Public Programs Sonia Uyterhoeven and other Garden experts for basic orchid care instruction, including choosing easy-to-grow varieties, dividing and repotting and information on fragrance and color.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Orchid Questions and Answers with the Experts—Saturday, February 26 and Sunday, February 27, 2–5 p.m.***

Experts are on-hand in the Conservatory GreenSchool to answer your questions about orchids at an informal Q&A session.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Specialty Orchids—Home Gardening Demonstration—Sunday, February 27, 1 p.m.***

Sonia Uyterhoeven, Gardener for Public Programs, and other Garden experts present information on specialty orchids such as slipper orchids and miniatures.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

**Thursday, March 3**

***The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Thursday, March 3, 2:30 p.m.***

Hundreds of plants from the Garden's more than 5,000-specimen orchid collection, which contains species from the Old and New Worlds, as well as stunning hybrids, are showcased in *The Orchid Show*. Join a Garden expert to experience up-close views and fragrances of some of the most rare and extraordinary plants in the exhibition.

*Meets in the Conservatory Palms of the Americas Gallery.*

**Weekend of March 4–9**

***The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Friday, March 4, 1 p.m.***

Hundreds of plants from the Garden's more than 5,000-specimen orchid collection, which contains species from the Old and New Worlds, as well as stunning hybrids, are showcased in *The Orchid Show*. Join a Garden expert to experience up-close views and fragrances of some of the most rare and extraordinary plants in the exhibition.

*Meets in the Conservatory Palms of the Americas Gallery.*

***Orchid Lecture Series—Friday, March 4, 3 p.m.***

Join New York Botanical Garden experts to learn about orchids from the field to the home. Learn about conservation efforts and how scientists are using modern technology to save these plants from extinction.

***Orchid Basics—Home Gardening Demonstration—Saturday, March 5, 1 p.m.***

Join Gardener for Public Programs Sonia Uyterhoeven and other Garden experts for basic orchid care instruction, including choosing easy-to-grow varieties, dividing and repotting and information on fragrance and color.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Orchid Questions and Answers with the Experts—Saturday, March 5 and Sunday, March 6, 2–5 p.m.***

Experts are on-hand in the Conservatory GreenSchool to answer your questions about orchids at an informal Q&A session.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Specialty Orchids—Home Gardening Demonstration—Sunday, March 6, 1 p.m.***

Sonia Uyterhoeven, Gardener for Public Programs, and other Garden experts present information on specialty orchids such as slipper orchids and miniatures.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

**Thursday, March 10*****The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Thursday, March 10, 2:30 p.m.***

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**Weekend of March 11–13*****The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Friday, March 11, 1 p.m.***

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*Meets in the Conservatory Palms of the Americas Gallery.*

***Orchid Lecture Series—Friday, March 11, 3 p.m.***

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***Repot, Divide and Conquer!—Demonstration and Booksigning—  
Saturday, March 12, 11 a.m.***

Ellen Zachos, author of *Orchid Growing for Wimps: Techniques for the ‘Wish I Could Do That’ Gardener* shares professional tricks on how to get the most out of your plants. Learn about easy-to-care-for orchids that can re-flower in average household conditions. View actual specimens of various orchid species as you learn to have little fear in handling orchids. *Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Windowsill Orchids—Home Gardening Demonstration—Saturday, March 12, 1 p.m.***

Join Gardener for Public Programs Sonia Uyterhoeven for a discussion on some of the easiest orchids to grow on a sunny or shady windowsill. Hear about plant selection and learn basic maintenance routines that will help orchids thrive and flower.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Guided Shopping with the Experts—Saturday, March 12, 1–5 p.m.***

Experts at the Shop in the Garden wait to aid visitors in choosing orchids plants, products, tools and reference books to purchase and to provide tips for successful orchid growing at home.

*Meets in the Shop in the Garden.*

***Orchid Questions and Answers with the Experts—Saturday, March 12 and Sunday,  
March 13, 2–5 p.m.***

Experts are on-hand in the Conservatory GreenSchool to answer your questions about orchids at an informal Q&A session.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Specialty Orchids—Home Gardening Demonstration—Sunday, March 13, 1 p.m.***

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*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

**Thursday, March 17**

***The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Thursday, March 17, 2:30 p.m.***

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**Weekend of March 18–20**

***The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Friday, March 18, 1 p.m.***

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***Orchid Lecture Series—Friday, March 18, 3 p.m.***

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*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Orchid Basics—Home Gardening Demonstration—Saturday, March 19, 1 p.m.***

Join Gardener for Public Programs Sonia Uyterhoeven basic orchid care instruction including choosing easy-to-grow varieties, dividing and repotting and information on fragrance and color.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Orchid Questions and Answers with the Experts—Saturday, March 19 and Sunday, March 20, 2–5 p.m.***

Experts are on-hand in the Conservatory GreenSchool to answer your questions about orchids at an informal Q&A session.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

***Specialty Orchids—Home Gardening Demonstration, Sunday, March 20, 1 p.m.***

Sonia Uyterhoeven, Gardener for Public Programs, and other Garden experts present information on specialty orchids such as slipper orchids and miniatures.

*Meets in the Conservatory GreenSchool.*

**Thursday, March 24*****The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Thursday, March 24, 2:30 p.m.***

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**Weekend of March 25–27*****The Orchid Show—A Guided Tour—Friday, March 25, 1 p.m.***

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**Continuing Education Orchid Classes and Family Fun:****Continuing Education Orchid Classes**

Whether you want to learn how to choose your first orchid or get a special plant to re-flower, there's a class just for you. For a complete class list call 718.817.8747 or visit

[www.nybg.org/edu](http://www.nybg.org/edu)

***Chocolate and Vanilla Adventures—February 15–March 27***

Did you know that vanilla comes from the seedpod of the vanilla orchid? Find out about the origins of both of these favorite flavors and examine products and sample a variety of treats with chocolate and vanilla in them.

*Meets in the Everett Children's Adventure Garden.*

*There are some photography restrictions in The Orchid Show. Please call 718.817.8700 or visit [www.nybg.org](http://www.nybg.org) to learn where photography is permitted in the Conservatory or how to purchase a Tuesday Morning Photography Ticket.*

*The Orchid Show is sponsored by The Tiffany & Co. Foundation*

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The New York Botanical Garden is a museum of plants located at Bronx River Parkway (Exit 7W) and Fordham Road in the Bronx. The Garden is open year-round, Tuesday through Sunday and on Monday holidays, from 10 a.m.–6p.m. April through October, and 10 a.m.–5 p.m. November through March. The best way to enjoy *The Orchid Show* is with the *Garden Passport*, a combination ticket that includes grounds admission, the Conservatory, Tram Tour, and Everett Children's Adventure Garden, and costs \$15 for adults, \$13 for students and seniors, \$5 for children 2–12. For information call 718. 817.8700 or visit our Web site at [www.nybg.org](http://www.nybg.org).

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