

## **SOUTH BAY BROMELIAD ASSOCIATES NEWSLETTER**

REGULAR CLUB MEETING: 1:30 p.m.

First Sunday of the month\*

Peninsula Center Library

701 Silver Spur Road, Rolling Hills Estates, CA

Website: [www.bsi.org/webpages/sbba/](http://www.bsi.org/webpages/sbba/)

*\*Exceptions: July Summer Picnic, August Show/Sale, December Holiday Party*

## **2025 SBBA OFFICERS**

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## **SBBA February 2nd Meeting: “Let’s Talk About Growing Bromeliads”**

Bryan Chan's presentation will cover cultivation, pest control, and preparation of plants for shows such as the upcoming 2026 Bromeliad World Conference to be held here in southern California.

Bryan has spent most of his life growing plants of all kinds. In the late 1980's, he was introduced to Bromeliads and was determined to learn more about them. He joined three Bromeliad societies in the 1990's, including South Bay Bromeliad Associates. Bryan has many years of experience participating in plant shows, winning top awards. He has also continued the hybridizing efforts of Bill Baker in the genus of Dyckia.

There will be lots of time for questions, so don't be shy. Bryan is always eager to share his tensive knowledge about the plants we love. Be prepared to take notes!

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

► **2025 Election.** Members attending the January meeting voted and there's Good News: SBBA is not in danger of folding. New Officers' names and phones appear in the upper right corner of this page. Many thanks to all who stepped up to volunteer for officer positions and also for committee chairmanships.

► **Meeting refreshments.** A mega-bonanza of munchies, setting a record for most volunteers. Thanks in advance to Carolyn Parsons, Georgiann Keller, Nancy Zinner, Chris Bruce, Candy Nakanishi, Lori Watson, Nada Chatwell, Sherry Faust, Madeline Worries, Jerry Messer.

► **Show and Tell Awards 2024.** New members may not know that you earn a point for each item you display at club meetings. At the end of the year, points are totaled. Cash awards go to First, Second, and Third Place winners. For 2024 award winners are: Bryan Chan (1<sup>st</sup>), Mary Kermani (2<sup>nd</sup>), and Patti Dunn (3<sup>rd</sup>). Display a beautiful bromeliad in bloom or a “mystery” plant you'd like identified or an artistic arrangement. Earn points, get cash.

► **SBBA Plant Auction.** Please let Ted Johnson know a week before the meeting how many plants you wish to sell. There is a limit on the total number of plants by all sellers so that we can vacate the library's community room before the maintenance man comes to clean up at around 4:40. Call Ted at 310-850-2824 or send email to: [tedjohnsonyh@yahoo.com](mailto:tedjohnsonyh@yahoo.com)