

To: Task Force Chair, DASSA, Affiliated Societies Liaison Committee

From: *(Name of person/organization submitting nomination)*

Subject: Nomination for AOS DASSA Award

It is with great pleasure that the *(Name of individual or organization submitting the nomination)* nominates the *(Name of the Orchid Society being nominated)* for consideration for the AOS Distinguished Affiliated Societies Service Award (DASSA).

The criteria for consideration of an affiliate as published in *Orchids* are:

- Long-term sponsorship of shows, public education projects, conservation efforts, orchid workshops and hosting of local, regional and national orchid events.
- Development and distribution of an outstanding newsletter.
- Significant and sustained support of an AOS judging center.
- Educational efforts to growers and potential growers of orchids,
- Overall promotion and support of the AOS and support to other organizations wishing to become affiliated with the AOS.

(Name of Society being nominated)

(Provide a short synopsis of the history of the Society being nominated, the number of charter members, the current size of the society, etc.)

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 - (Provide details explaining how the Society has met this requirement, mentioning any future plans.)
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- Development and distribution of an outstanding newsletter.
 - (Provide details.)
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- Significant and sustained support of an AOS judging center.
 - (Provide details of the sponsored center and the type of support offered.)
- Educational efforts to growers and potential growers of orchids.
 - (Provide details explaining how the Society has met this requirement and any future educational plans.)
- Overall promotion and support of the AOS and support to other organizations wishing to become affiliated with the AOS.
 - (Provide details explaining how the Society has met these requirements.)

Note: All Nominations should be submitted to the AOS at: affiliated_societies@aos.org