

## The American Orchid Society cordially invites applications for the The Furniss Foundation / AOS Graduate Fellowship

### Program

American Orchid Society Fellows spend up to three years working on orchid-related dissertations projects that lead to the Ph D degree from accredited institutions.

### Purpose

To encourage doctoral candidates in their pursuit of fundamental and applied research on orchids; to attract future generations of scientists to orchidology; to address critical research needs in the biology of orchids.

### Eligibility

The candidate's dissertation project must deal with any aspect of orchid biology in the disciplines of physiology, molecular biology, structure, systematics, cytology, ecology, and/or evolution. This Fellowship is limited to three consecutive years, during which the AOS Fellow will be expected to submit semi-annual progress reports. First refusal rights for all publications arising from work funded by the American Orchid Society will be granted to the American Orchid Society.

### Identity of Awardee

All AOS Fellowships will be awarded only to the institution sponsoring the candidate. Institutional indirect costs will not be paid from awards.

### Amount Awarded

The fixed sum of \$9,000 per year will be awarded for a maximum of three years to an institution on behalf of any given individual.

### Application Information

Candidates should submit a current curriculum vitae, transcripts of all college coursework, synopsis of the proposed research, a brief one-page statement of the value of their project and importance on the future of orchidology, and a letter of recommendation from their chairperson to Pamela Giust at the American Orchid Society (see address and contact information below). Applications for the Fellowship must be received by October 1, 2007, with notification of award by February 1, 2008. Women, minorities and persons with disabilities are especially encouraged to apply.

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