

## Orchid Display at RHS Hampton Court Palace Garden Festival 2024



Orchid Society  
of Great Britain

This year's Orchid Society of Great Britain (OSGB) exhibit is dedicated to the genus *Anguloa*, and includes old, new and natural hybrids and the species that gave rise to them.

*Anguloas* were first described in 1784 from Peru, and are a small but unique group of orchids found in cloud forests at 1,200–2,300m in the northern countries of South America. They are strongly fragrant, smelling of embrocation, and have one of the most fascinating pollination mechanisms of all orchids, combining allure, intoxication, and entrapment.

Over 50 plants of *Anguloa* will feature on the display and provide a heady mix of beauty and education. They are all grown by an amateur, Dr Henry Oakeley, who has had a keen interest in cultivating and hybridising the genus for over 60 years. He is a renowned authority on *Anguloa*, having studied them for 40 years and, in the process, published the only definitive guide to the genus.

The OSGB has a national and international membership of orchid lovers and was founded in 1951.

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Cloud forest in Peru is home to three species of *Anguloa* and one natural hybrid



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*Anguloa virginialis* in its natural habitat



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*Anguloa virginialis* was first discovered in 1785–6 in Peru