



Clara B. Rees Iris Society - Fleur de Lis

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March Meeting

Meeting Place

First Baptist Church
17765 Daves Avenue
Los Gatos, CA 95030

Next Meeting
March 1, 2013

Doors open 7:00 P.M.
Meeting 7:30 P.M.



Club Membership Dues

Sep 1, 2012—
Aug 31, 2013

Adults - \$12.00

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IT'S COMING-----WILL YOU BE READY? The end of the world? No! It's the CBRIS Spring Show and the Judges who will be looking for those blue ribbon entries in the flower arrangement section! The talented Master Flower Show Judge, Sharon Hiatt, has been invited to our March meeting. She will give us the lowdown on "What Are Floral Judges Looking For?" as they scrutinize each beautiful arrangement entry.

Ms Hiatt arrives at our meeting with a broad and lengthy background in arranging and judging. She is the president of Furu Floral Designers, the prestigious arrangers' club of Santa Clara County. She is also a long time member of Los Altos Garden Club, a member of Founders Council of Judges through the National Garden Clubs and has won countless blue ribbons for her own floral entries over the years.

CBRIS is quite unique in the fact that we have a very popular Artistic Division on our show schedule every year. Very few other societies do this. We have many members who enter outstanding arrangements in the different classes within the Artistic Division. We always encourage all members to get in on the competition. Yes, even the gentlemen compete! With the public, the arrangements are the most popular section of our annual show. So mark your calendar for March 1, 2013, to hear Sharon Hiatt explain how you can win a coveted blue ribbon for your iris arrangement entry at the CBRIS Spring Show & Sale on April 20 -21, 2013.

—Philippa Alvis, CBRIS Vice-President

February Meeting

CBRIS club members would like to thank Philippa Alvis for arranging the judges training at the February meeting. It was a video of Luella Danielson speaking about Arils and Arilbreds. Even though the video was a bit outdated there was still plenty to learn! Thank you to Carl Boro for running the presentation.

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Mango Passion

2013 Garden Tour

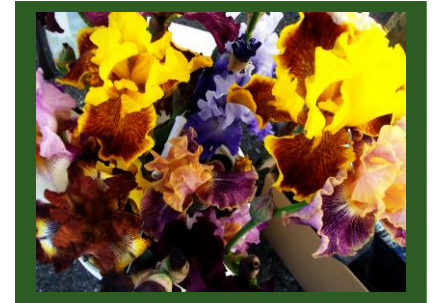
Save the date—Saturday, May 4th

So far, we only have two gardens confirmed for the tour. We would like to have 2 more gardens.

This is your chance to show off your green thumb. Please contact Jane Jordan by email, janej@alum.mit.edu, or by phone, 408-255-3024, if you are willing to share your garden with CBRIS.

Spring Garden Market

The 19th Annual Spring Garden Market will be held on Saturday, April 13, 2013 at History San Jose History, 1650 Senter Road, San Jose. CBRIS needs volunteers to sell our potted iris. Please sign-up to help if you can. Thank you



Dates to Remember

SF Flower & Garden Show (AIS booth)	March 20-March 24 San Mateo, CA	Carolyn Craft – Coordinator theladygardens@aol.com or 408-266-0945
AIS 2013 Convention	April 15-20 2013 Dallas, Texas	Bonnie Nichols – Convention Chair bjnhtn@aol.com or 214-352-2191
CBRIS Spring Show	April 20-21, 2013 Westgate Mall, S.J., CA	Carol Dahout – Show Chair caroldahout@yahoo.com or 408-981-6209 Lisa Ayala – Artistic Chair herbtalk@earthlink.net or 408-249-8293
2013 SLI Convention	April 21-23 2013 Dallas, Texas	Bonnie Nichols – Convention Chair bjnhtn@aol.com or 214-352-2191
Region 14 Spring Regional	April 26-28 Roseville, CA	Kathy Braaten – Registrar katbrat@cebridge.net or 530-477-2811
CBRIS Garden Tour	Saturday, May 4, 2013	Jane Jordan – Garden Chair janej@alum.mit.edu or 408-255-3024
CBRIS Picnic & Rhizome Auction	July 21, 2013 at Laflin's	Chris Dickinson – Picnic Chair cdickins@aol.com or 408-257-3904
CBRIS Rhizome Sales	August 3, 2013 at Yamagami's August 10, 2013 at Almaden Valley Nursery	Mary Collins – Rhizome Sale Chair mc.rescuesgreys@gmail.com or 408-971-3042
Region 14 Fall Regional	Saturday, Oct 19, 2013 Los Gatos, CA	Carol Dahout – Fall Regional Chair caroldahout@yahoo.com or 408-981-6209



Spring Show 2013

Our Spring Show, 'Luck of the Iris', April 20-21, is coming up soon. Think about what your contribution to this year's show will be. I will need a Registrar, Placement Clerks (guards) and a Sales Coordinator for our potted iris, as well as Horticulture and Artistic Clerks, Hospitality people, and Set Up and Tear Down crews. A sign-up sheet will be sent around at the next meeting. I hope that you will all participate in some way to make the show a fun and successful event. Thank you.

–Carol Dahout, Show Chair

Guadalupe Garden Update

I would like to schedule a club work party for Sunday, March 3rd starting at 12:00 noon. Mostly it will be the removal of grass that is growing in the plot. It will come out easily with the soil being damp. Thank you.

– Jane Reiter

Filoli Flower Show, May 9-12, 2013

The Filoli Flower Show is coming up, May 9-12, and they have invited CBRIS to do our usual display. This is a beautiful annual event held over Mother's Day weekend. The Filoli estate is filled with artistic floral displays from professional and amateur designers from all over the Bay area. The theme this year is "Petal Tales, Once Upon a time..." The event begins with the Opening Night Reception on Thursday, May 9th and the CBRIS chair and one guest are invited. It's a lovely event with wine and canapés, and we get to stroll throughout the house and see the floral designs first hand. As you can see from the picture, CBRIS's spot is in the kitchen and we set up 24-30 bloom stalks in pvc pipes that Filoli provides. Our job is to bring the iris to Filoli on Thursday and set them up. Then I follow up Friday, Saturday and Sunday to deadhead and refresh, and take down the display on Monday. Elaine Fischer has graciously assisted me for the last couple of years. If anyone would like to shadow me this year with the goal of doing it themselves next year with an assistant, please let me know. This is a very fun event that I think other members of CBRIS would enjoy. Please let me know if you are interested.

–Carol Dahout



March Birthdays

Logan Danner	March 1
Rosemary Chivers	March 6
Jennifer Vanden Beukel	March 12
Munir Kureshi	March 17
Peg Carlson-Bowen	March 22
Dave Henley	March 28
Jane Anne Walters	March 28



Treasurer's Report

Beginning Balance February 1, 2013	\$ 13,035.32
INCOME	
Raffle	\$ 19.00
Iris Culture Books	15.00
TOTAL INCOME	\$ 34.00
EXPENSES	
Meeting Room Rental	\$ 150.00
Advertising	35.00
Bookmarks	57.46
Hospitality	27.39
Printing and Mailing	14.52
Registration - Spring Market	25.00
Show Ribbons	114.00
TOTAL EXPENSES	\$ 423.37
Ending Balance February 28, 2013	\$ 12,645.95

Clara B. Rees Meeting Minutes

February 1, 2013

President Mary Collins opened the meeting at 7:40 P.M. Several guests attended this meeting: John Jones and Joanne Prass-Jones from West Bay Iris Society, Jean Richter and Bonnie Petheran from Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society, and Riley and Shirley Probst who hold memberships in many societies. Philippa Alvis, Vice President, introduced the program for the evening, a DVD of Luella Danielson from 1996 speaking about Arils and Arilbreds. Afterwards there was a test, which counted for one hour of judge's training. After a dessert break, Mary announced the February birthdays and thanked those who brought treats.

- Philippa announced that the Camella Show is February 23 and 24, 2013. Clerks are needed.
- Carolyn Craft announced that March 20 through 24, 2012 are the dates for the San Francisco Flower Show. She passed around a signup sheet for workers.
- The Master Gardener Spring Garden Market is on April 13, 2013.
- Carol Dahout, Spring Show chairperson, announced that we have six judges for the show to be held on April 20 and 21, 2013.
- Region 14's Spring Regional will be April 26 through 28, 2013.
- Jane Jordan reminded members that May 4, 2013 will be the Garden Tour of members' gardens. This will be the last year to see Jane's garden because she will be moving shortly.

The raffle and door prize drawing were held after the meeting was adjourned at 9:45 P.M.

Respectfully submitted,

Barbara Pesek, Recording Secretary



Spring Show 2013 – Artistic Sections

The following lists the Artistic Division categories. Please sign up via email or in person at the March meeting. Please read the categories to make sure you enter in the correct sections. Entrants must register ahead of time in order to calculate how many tables we need. There will be a cutoff date, so register early! Please note two rules that have been added or modified at the end of this section.

DIVISION V. ARTISTIC SECTIONS

- Section A **BEGINNER'S LUCK:** A freestyle design open to novices only. Must not have won any blue ribbons in Artistic.
- Section B **A TISKET, A TASKET:** A design incorporating the use of one or more baskets.
- Section C **DINKY DOODLE:** A design no bigger than 12 inches high, wide or deep.
- Section D **SIMPLICITY:** A design using only one open flower or one stem with one open flower (buds okay, if not opened). Complementary material may be used
- Section E **MOON OVER TOKYO:** A design in the style of traditional or modern Japanese floral design.
- Section F **MAN POWER:** A freestyle design for men only.
- Section G **SCHOOL DAZE:** Open to youth ages up to 18. A freestyle design with a school type theme.

Rule - changes or modified:

7. Designs once placed on the show table are only allowed to be moved by either the Show Chair or the person who entered the specific design if more room is needed on the table. Any entrant must inform the Show Chair if they need more room on the table or if they need to move designs around to make room for someone else.
8. Entries will be accepted from 7:00 A.M. to 11:00 A.M. on Saturday, April 20, 2013. Judging will begin promptly at 11:15 A.M.

We need one person to clerk for the Artistic Division. It is very simple. You just keep very quiet (and try not to show emotions even when they are judging your design!); hole punch the award on the card and lay down the appropriate ribbons. Artistic seldom takes longer than an hour, so you will not be on your feet for that long. If you are interested you can either send me an email or sign up at the meeting. Thank you.

–Artistic Show Chair, Lisa Ayala



SF Flower & Garden Show

The SF Flower & Garden Show is March 20-March 24th. The AIS booth needs a few more volunteers to work a three hour shift. It is an easy assignment as there are handouts and photos showing the different types of iris. There are lists of societies to direct people to join a club in their area. If you are interested in volunteering please call Carolyn Craft at 408 266-0945 or e-mail her at theladygardens@aol.com to set up a day and time that you would like to work. The time shifts are 10:00 A.M. -1:00 P.M., 1:00 P.M. to 4:00 P.M. and 4:00 P.M. to 7:00 P.M. Remember you will get free entry into the show and can explore the rest of the show before and after your shift.

–Carolyn Craft

AIS 2013 National Convention and SLI Convention 2013



The AIS National Convention is being held in Dallas, Texas on April 15-20th. There are eight gardens to tour. The date has been extended for the lower registration fee of \$299.00 if paid by March 1st. After that time, the price increases. See http://www.irises.org/Member_Services/2013_Convention.html#Registration for complete details of the Convention.

While in the area you may want to attend the Society for Louisiana Irises 2013 National Convention as it is being held April 21-23rd in Dallas. The convention hotel is the same – The Crowne Plaza Hotel & Resort-North Dallas-Addison. For details see <http://irisesdalla.web703.discountasp.net/2013-sli-convention.aspx>.





Reminder

CBRIS is donating a basket of "goodies" to Region 14 Spring Regional being held this April. Please bring your donation to the March or April meeting. Iris or garden related items are always a good choice.



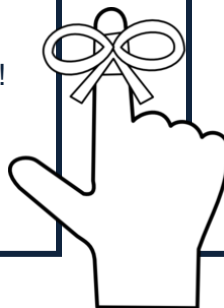
Thank you!

March Refreshments

- Jane Jordan**
- Peter Mara**
- Lynn Stuart**



Drinks: We need a volunteer.
Please call Mary.



CBRIS DPI List - March 2013

- △ **ABSOLUTE ZERO** (Black 12) 40", E-M. S. pale lavender; F. icy white, tight ruffles and lace, show stalks with three branches carrying 8-9 buds. Lavender beards
- △ **BLUEBERRY TRAIL** (Sutton, G. 12) **BB**, 27", E-M-L. S. white ground heavily dotted and edged blue; F. white ground veined and dotted dark blue; gold beards. ½" blue edge on falls.
- △ **BOY GENIUS** (Ghio 12) **BB**, 25", VE-E. S. gold; F. solid mahogany black w/gold dotting around gold beards, hairline gold lace edge. Good branching.
- △ **BRONZE WARRIOR** (Kerr 12) 38". Warm blend of topaz and pinkish lavender set off with a blue blaze below antique gold beards. Standards are more darkly colored than the falls giving a slightly dark top effect. Good grower.
- △ **CATWALK QUEEN** (T. Johnson 11) 34", E-M-L. S. bright yellow, F. light lilac banded yellow, orange gold beards. Well branched stalks with 8-10 buds; ruffled/ laced.
- △ **DOUBLE PLATINUM** (Ghio 12) 36", M-L, re. S. light shell pink; F. light pearl pink with biscuit pink splash on shoulders that continues on edge of falls. On 2012 catalog cover, reblooms in summer and early fall.
- △ **ENIGMATIC** (Sutton, G. 12) 36.5", M. S. tan veined dark purple; F. dark purple black, gold beards, lightly ruffled flowers on strong stalks.
- △ **LADY LEIGH** (Lauer 12) 36", M-L. S. white; F. red purple with lilac rim; orange beards, ruffled, pronounced sweet fragrance, good bud count and branching.
- △ **MEERKAT MANOR** (Kasperek 08) **BB**, 25", M. S. ruffled light old rose pink w/red-purple marking at base, muted white streaking; F. medium red-purple/white streaks; B. orange; 5-7 buds.
- △ **MODERN DRAMA** (Kerr 12) 38", M. S. apricot; F. white centers with apricot edged rose; orange beards.
- △ **NICE JOB** (Lauer 11) 32", M-L. S. lemon yellow; F. beetroot purple, yellow ochre area around beard and rim; B. cadmium orange. 7 plus buds on show stalks. Pronounced sweet fragrance, ruffled.
- △ **NOTE TO GOD** (T. Johnson 12) 35", L. Reverse pink amoena (S. pink, F. white). Strong growing plants, fine show branching and great clump effect
- △ **OCTOPI PI** (Kasperek 12) 36", M-L. S. bright orange; F. orange cream background heavily stippled red-purple; tangerine orange beards, 7-9 buds
- △ **SPENDTHRIFT** (Keppel 12) 36", E-M. S. salmon flushed pastel violet; F. violet with buff edge; orange beards, well branched with eight to ten buds.
- △ **TEASING TIGER** (J. Painter 12) 39", M., re. Cantaloupe orange lined with maroon purple on falls except at edge; coral orange beards. Up to 11 moderately sized blooms. Has some reblooming tendency.
- △ **TOWN FLIRT** (T. Johnson 10) 39", M. S. medium pink; F. white blending out to pink margins. Shrimp beards. Loads of ruffles and lace. 7-9 buds, purple base foliage.
- △ **WATERLINE** (Keppel 12) 37", E-M. S. sky blue; F. lighter with sky blue rim; red beards. Terminal plus two branches and spur.
- △ **WHAT'S NEW** (Black 11) 43", M-L-VL. Medium orchid self. Dark bluish blending around beards that are near red at back ending in blue violet. 4 branches + spur and 7 buds.

