



Fleur de Lis

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

March 2023

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Next Meeting

Mar 3, 2023

In person only

Doors open 6:20 PM

Board Meeting 6:30 PM

Meeting 7:30 PM

Willow Glen Library

1157 Minnesota Ave.

San Jose, CA 95125

Dues

**Sep 1, 2022-
Aug 31, 2023**

Adults - \$15.00

Carol Dahout

CBRIS President

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CBRIS

www.cbris.org

Region 14

www.aisregion14.org

American Iris Society

www.irises.org

March Program

Please join us for a special program this Friday March 3, on Artistic Floral Design for Show with Lynn MacFarland.

Lynn is a National Garden Club master judge and NGC 4 Star Member. She will demonstrate floral arrangements for exhibition, with examples made especially for our upcoming show, "Showers of Flowers." Lynn will share her insights on design, display, point scoring, and how entries are judged. Come learn about the elements and principles of floral design and what it takes to get the blue ribbon from the perspective of an NCG Master Judge!

Spring Regional

Region 14 Spring Regional will be held in the Oakhurst area May 12-14, 2023. There will be an iris show, a meeting, a guest speaker, gardens to tour, judges training, raffle baskets to win, items to bid upon, lunch, dinner, iris people to meet, and more. Please sign up to attend. You will have a wonderful time! Registration form may be found on the last page of this newsletter.

Board Meeting

There will be a Board meeting at the Willow Glen Library Friday, March 3rd at 6:30 P.M. All interested members are invited. Topics will include the Spring Show and the basket for the Fall Regional. Also, we need chairs for the following activities: Nomination Committee, Spring Garden Tours, Summer Picnic, and the Christmas Party.

Dahout Digs March 2023

Our spring show, "Showers of Flowers" has been approved by AIS and we have our roster of judges in place (Horticulture and Artistic). The date is Sunday, April 16, 2023 from 8:00 A.M.– 6:00 P.M. at the Campbell Community Center, Roosevelt Room, 1 W. Campbell Ave., Campbell 95008.

For our show to be a success we will need the participation of all members and that can be accomplished by entering blooms or artistic arrangements, clerking for the judges, greeting the public, or completing one of the many tasks that needs to be done before the show. We have not had a show for three years so this will be very fun and exciting!

We will also need to heavily publicize the show because it has been three years and we are in a new location. Philippa Alvis has written a great article for the Campbell paper. I will be sending out email blasts to our customer email lists and we will need everyone to post on their Nextdoor sites, Facebook, and Instagram pages.

The show schedule will be available at our March meeting and I will go over it to make sure everyone knows how to enter and what the categories are.

Thank you in advance and let's have a great show!

Carol Dahout, CBRIS President



Invitation - The 2nd Photographic Contest of "The Iris World"

You are invited to enter The 2nd Photographic Contest of "The Iris World". Hosted by Circolo Fotografico "Citta de Thiene" and Ana Montegrappa S.Giorgio di Perlena, the deadline for entries is March 28, 2021. This [entry form](#) has complete details (English PDF).

– <https://www.irises.org/news-events/>



Minutes

CBRIS Meeting, February 3, 2023



President Carol Dahout called the meeting to order at 7:45 PM. There were 24 members present, 3 guests, and several members attending on zoom.

Business Meeting was first.

Our Spring Show will be on Sunday, April 16 at the Campbell Community Center from 8 am to 6 pm. The public will be admitted from noon to 5 pm. The people at the community center will set up the tables for us.

Our pot sale will be on Saturday, April 22 at the Saratoga Farmer’s Market.

Our next two meetings will NOT be on Zoom. The March meeting presentation is on flower arranging and the April meeting will be a mini-show.

Carol asked for suggestions for a name for the show. The suggestions were voted on and the members chose “Showers of Flowers”.

A garden tour on Sunday, April 23 was discussed.

Chris Dickinson will organize the July picnic.

We need someone to organize the Christmas party. It was recommended that the party be a lunch rather than a dinner.

We need a committee to recruit new officers.



Presentation

Jane Jordan gave a presentation on the Great Backyard Bird Count. For four days in February, from the 17th to the 20th, bird watchers are asked to report what kind of birds and how many of each they see in their backyard. Jane demonstrated the apps to use for reporting and showed pictures of the birds we are likely to see in our area. She later emailed us the presentation so we could do the bird count if we wished.

Door Prizes were awarded using Mark’s Wheel of Fortune.

Respectfully written and submitted, Andrea Clague, CBRIS Society



Member sign-up for refreshments

- Steve Chen
- Andrea Clague
- Jane Kwant
- Peter - drinks



Clara B Rees Iris Society Treasurer's Report



Gina Johnson	1
Rosemary Chivers	6
Jennifer Vanden Beukel	12
Jeff Bennett	30

Ending balance, January 31, 2023	\$ 17,664.02
Revenue: Dues	15.00
Expenses: Hospitality	59.41
Ending balance, February 28, 2023	\$ 17,619.61

March Culture

Rain brings weeds – lots and lots of weeds. Keep after them so they do not compete with the iris as they are starting to grow. Hopefully, you have fertilized the bearded irises by now. If not, run out there tomorrow and feed those rhizomes. Any even numbered fertilizer will do such as 12-12-12 or 15-15-15. You just use a bit less with a higher number. A handful per small clump will do just fine. Scratching the granules in will help them stay in place and start to do their magic. Don't forget to fertilize the beardless iris!

Keep your eye out for leaf spot this year. It is a fungal disease that can be difficult to control. It seems to thrive in wet winters and mild, moist spring weather. Leaf Spot can be ignored but it is unsightly and can weaken the iris. Cut off the infected leaves and throw the trimmed leaves away. **Do not compost those leaves.** In addition, spraying will help keep the disease under control. Choose a spray that contains copper such as Daconil. Use according to instructions on the bottle. You will have to drench the leaves with the spray and repeat in two weeks. Prevention is the key. Do not crowd your iris as they need good air circulation. Grow the irises in full sun, or at least good morning sun, in order to dry off the early morning dew. Keep the beds weed free and remove flower stalks after bloom. Water at ground level, not by overhead.

AIS Webinars

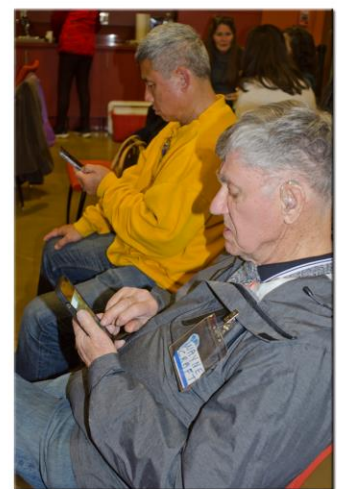
Look for the upcoming Webinars from AIS:

March 8 - **Iris Reticulata** - small, bulbous irises in bloom now

April 5 - **Siberian Irises** presented by Bob Hollingsworth



FEBRUARY MEETING



American Iris Society

Join the American Iris Society (AIS) for the best iris coverage. Founded in 1920, they are an organization dedicated to sharing information about and sponsoring research on the iris. Members receive bulletins, AIS judges training programs, information on regional and local club activities, cultivator information and so much more. Go to <https://www.irises.org/aismembers/ais-membership/> to join AIS or any other society that shares your interest.

Summer 2022 AIS Bulletin

The Summer 2022 issue of the AIS Bulletin is available for online viewing within the [Emembers](#) section of the AIS Website. Previous AIS Bulletin issues are also available for viewing in this area.

Note: to access this area you must have a current AIS Emembership. AIS Emembership is separate from the normal AIS membership. See the [Electronic Membership Information](#) area of the website for more details.

Iris Encyclopedia

The **Iris Encyclopedia** is available at the following web location: [Iris Encyclopedia](#)

Do you need information about an iris? The Iris Encyclopedia has information about every type iris and many cultivars under each category. Photos, hybridizers, year introduced, etc.

There is an AIS webinar #12 “Exploring the Iris Encyclopedia” by Bob Pries to help explore this site.

Found at https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=qf7L-ixEfR4&ab_channel=TheAmericanIrisSociety

Check it out!

Tall Bearded Iris Society



Love the Tall Bearded? Consider joining the Tall Bearded Iris Society (TBIS). The society promotes the cultivation and development of the tall bearded irises in North America. They are a cooperating Society of the American Iris Society. Membership is \$12.00 per year or you can join with a triennial membership for \$33.00. Their quarterly publication, Tall Talk, includes articles, photos, and color ads from some of our favorite hybridizers. The membership registration may be found at <http://www.tbisonline.com/member.html>. They, also have a Facebook page.



AIS 2023 National Convention

The 2023 AIS Convention is in Dallas Texas April 12-16. The convention hotel is the Courtyard by Marriott in Grapevine, Texas. Its amenities feature a shuttle to the Dallas/Fort Worth airport, a café, and an outdoor pool. Small pets are allowed. Room rates for convention attendees are \$139.00 per night single or double. Full registration (including two days of garden tours, two lunches, the welcome dinner, awards brunch, and convention materials) is \$349.00. Garden bus tours only (including two lunches and convention materials) is \$275.00. Welcome dinner and awards brunch only is \$100.00.

There will be five gardens featured. Garden tours will feature the gardens of Connie Ford (lakefront property with Louisiana and species iris in addition to guest iris), Hooker and Bonnie J. Nichols (a new very large garden with many types of irises), Michael and Mary Ellen Reed (a beautifully designed suburban sized garden), Judy and Dale Schneider (a large garden featuring bearded and Louisiana guest iris), and Dell Perry (a suburban sized garden featuring all types of iris including Japanese and aril iris).

For more information, see the convention website: <http://www.irises-dallas.org/isd-events/2023-ais-convention/>

The registration form may be found at <http://www.irises-dallas.org/media/27479/updated-registration-form-12262022.pdf>. Register by March 15, 2023 for the lowest price.

Don't miss this opportunity to see thousands of beautiful iris in bloom, and enjoy fellowship with hundreds of like-minded iris enthusiasts!



“IRIS IN THE VALLEY”

AIS Region 13/Tall Bearded Iris Society Spring Meeting

May 19-20, 2023

Hosted by the Oregon Trail Iris Society

Come join us for a visit to three large commercial gardens in the Willamette Valley. On Saturday, May 20, 2023, there will be a guided bus tour to Mid-America Garden, Sebright Gardens (Sebright is the location of Mid-America’s 2023 introductions and a four-acre display garden plus the largest commercial shade nursery in Oregon), and Schreiner’s Gardens in Salem. Lunch will be at the Schreiner’s Garden. A one hour in-garden judge’s training session will be held at Mid-America Garden.

On Friday there will be many local gardens open for visiting. Included in them will be Keith Keppel, Iris Sisters Farm, Kevin Vaughn, Wildwood Gardens, Miller’s Manor Gardens, Misty River iris, and Aitken’s Salmon Creek. For those coming from the south, Twilight Iris Gardens in Roseburg, OR will be open. Addresses will be emailed to you.

Hotel accommodations is the Holiday Inn Salem, 3301 Market Street NE, Salem, OR 97301. Phone: 503-370-7835. Special room rate – double room \$129.00 plus tax per night. Room rate is good from May 18-22, 2023. Make your reservations directly with the hotel. Make sure you mention “Oregon Trail Iris Society” to get the special rate. Reservation must be made by May 3, 2023 to get the special rate.

Meeting registration fee:

Bus tour, lunch and banquet	\$107.00
Banquet Only	\$65.00
Bus tour and lunch	\$55.00

TENTATIVE SCHEDULE

FRIDAY, MAY 19, 2023: 7 – 9 pm, Registration and Meetings

SATURDAY, MAY 20, 2023:

8:00 AM – 4:00 PM, Bus tour to Sebright Gardens, Schreiner's and Mid-America Gardens.

6:00 PM – 7:00 PM Banquet, no host bar

7:00 PM – Meetings/Programs

<http://www.tbisonline.com/Iris%20in%20the%20Valley.pdf>



CBRIS Door Prize Iris Descriptions March 2023

Above the Fray H. Stout 2020 TB; 36"; EM; S. Violet; F. Deep dark purple; B. Lavender; Pronounced sweet fragrance

Bad Whiskey Stout/Burseen 2021 TB; 36"; ML; S. yellow; F. yellow, large white area; B. yellow; Slight sweet fragrance.

Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy Paul Black 2022 TB; 29"; EM; S. yellow, white ridge; F. white, bronze band, plum dotting; B. yellow; Pronounced sweet fragrance.

Casting Call Johnson 2022 TB; 36"; ML; S. white; F. lavender becoming deeper at edge; B. tangerine; Sweet fragrance.

Chewbacca H. Dash 2022 TB SA; 33"; ML; S. light yellow; F. beige, brown veining and stripe; B. orange, pale violet flounces; Slight fragrance.

Cool Jerk H. Stout 2022 SDB; 13"; ML; S. yellow; F. violet blue, white border; B. white tipped with yellow.

Danger Ahead H. Dash 2022 TB; 35; M; S. red-brown, gold rim; F. red-brown, white and yellow zone, red-brown veins, gold rim; B. orange; Slight fragrance.

Flamingo Rose H. Dash 2022 TB; 35"; L; S. pale pink, golden-brown rim; F. burgundy, white zone, burgundy veins; B. orange; Slight fragrance.

Glamorizing Stout/Burseen 2021 TB; 36"; ML; S. mauve, light yellow edge / midrib, bronze veins; F. mauve, chestnut-bronze veins, yellow border; B. white, tips orange; Slight sweet fragrance.

Hickum Burseen 2020 TB SA; 38"; EM; S. light creamy lemon; F. creamy lemon, burgundy streaks; B. orange, tips yellow, fuzzy white horns; Slight spicy fragrance.

Italian Summer H. Dash 2022 TB; 33"; M; S. pink, faint rim; F. red, peachy pink zone; B. orange; Slight fragrance.

Living It Up Johnson 2022 TB; 37"; M; S. deep golden yellow with light butter edges; F. maroon, lavender, gold band; B. gold, lavender; Light fragrance.

New Mexico Sky H. Dash 2022 TB; 32"; M; S. sky blue; F. powder blue; B. orange, blue; Slight fragrance.

Paint By Numbers Judith Andrews 2022 SDB; 9"; E; S. white; F. yellow, white streak, cream edge; B. lavender; Slight fragrance.

Read My Mind Thomas Johnson 2021 TB; 34"; S. lemon, rosy flush; F. maroon, lavender-pink/ lemon band; B. yellow-orange; Sweet fragrance.

Shocking Secret Johnson 2022 TB; 37"; L; S. orchid self; F. black cherry signa; B. orange; Sweet fragrance.

So Happy Thomas Johnson 2021 TB; 33"; EM; S. white; F. white, lavender wash, deep lavender veins, white border; B. tangerine; Sweet fragrance.

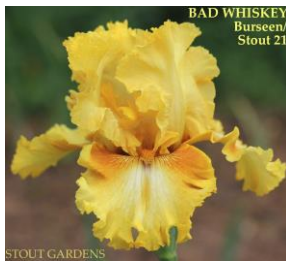
Stoked Johnson 2022 TB; 36"; ML; S. lavender, darker lavender centers; F. lavender; B. red.

Tarahumara H. Dash 2021 AB(OGB); 32"; E; S. white, purple veining; F. red-brown veining on white, black signal; B. dark brown

CBRIS Door Prize Iris for March 2023



Above the Fray



Bad Whiskey



Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy



Casting Call



Chewbacca TB SA



Cool Jerk SDB



Danger Ahead



Flamingo Rose



Glamorizing



Hickum TB SA



Italian Summer



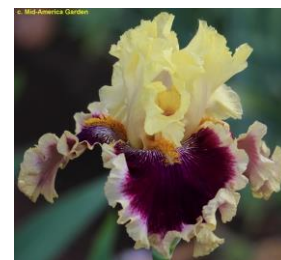
Living It Up



New Mexico Sky



Paint By Numbers SDB



Read My Mind



Shocking Secret



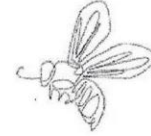
So Happy



Stoked



Tarahumara AB(OGB)



REGISTRATION

Region 14

2023 Spring Regional May 12,13,14

“Bees, Butterflies & Beauty”

Hosted by Yosemite Iris Society

Guest Speaker, Doug Kanarowski Hybridizer, G/E AIS Judge/Owner of the Mariposa Iris Garden

Friday Iris Show & Spring Regional Meeting and Sat. Dinner Banquet will be held at

The Oakhurst Community Center

39800 Fresno Flats Road (Road 425B)

Oakhurst, CA 93644

Hotel on your own. We suggest you get an AIR B &B as they may be as low as \$100 per night. Over 2500 to choose from in the area. Any questions about rooms- contact Carolyn Hoover, yischoover@gmail.com 559-760-5638

Registration includes coffee- snacks Friday Night @ Iris Show & Meeting. Full box lunch on Saturday, Banquet Dinner Sat., a light breakfast served consisting of coffee, tea, juice and light pastries on Sunday morning @ Bee Haven Iris Garden in Coarsegold at the In Garden Judges Training Session.

Need Vegetarian meals, check box

Need Gluten Free meal, check box

Registrant 1 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Registrant 2 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail for confirmation _____

Local Iris Society _____

Registration if paid by April 15, 2023, \$95 per person x person (s) Total \$ _____

If paid after April 15, 2023 \$100 per person x person(s) Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to: **Yosemite Iris Society**, and mail to:
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