



Fleur de Lis

Clara B. Rees Iris Society

Sep 2024

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Next Meeting

September 6, 2024

West Valley Library

1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd.

San Jose, CA 95117

Doors open 7:00 PM

Meeting 7:30 PM

Dues

Sep 1, 2024-
Aug 31, 2025

Adults - \$15.00

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CBRIS President

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CBRIS

www.cbris.org

Region 14

aisregion14.org

American Iris Society

www.irises.org

September Program

Welcome back CBRIS members! We look forward to seeing you again at our next meeting on Friday, September 6th!

September's program will be on the 2024 American Iris Society Awards. Each year AIS judges vote on the irises that perform best in the garden. Special medals are awarded in each classification type, one per classification, except for the very popular tall bearded class which awards three Wister Medals. An Iris is eligible as a candidate for a special medal the second year after it receives an Award of Merit (AM). All the irises that win a special award are eligible for the Dykes Medal, the highest award of the AIS.

Jane Jordan, will present a slideshow featuring this year's award winners and finalists. Join us in recognizing the brilliant hybridizers behind the winning irises, many of whom you will recognize from their impressive body of work, as well as up and coming stars.

Congratulations to all the winners and entrants!



'Perry Dyer' AB



'Rise Like A Phoenix' TB



'Ninja Warrior' TB



'Royston Rubies' TB



'Candy Basket' MTB

—Photos by Bryce Williamson and Mikey Lango

Clara B. Rees Iris Society Officers, Directors and Appointments 2023 – 2024

Officers

President	Carol Dahout	9/21 - ?
Vice President	Trang Bui	9/21 – 9/24
Secretary	Andrea Clague	9/20 – 9/24
Treasurer	Mary Collins	9/21 - ?

Directors

Lisa Chen	9/23 – 9/25
Steve Chen	9/23 – 9/25
Peter Marra	9/23 – 9/25
Chris Dickinson	9/21 – 9/25
Jane Reiter	9/22 – 9/24
Ken Reiter	9/22 – 9/24
Linda Lomparis	9/22 – 9/24



CBRIS Board

Appointments

Show Chair	Carol Dahout
Artistic Show Chair	Mikey Lango
Newsletter Editor/Photographer	Mikey Lango
Sunshine	Jane Reiter
Hospitality	Steve and Lisa Chen
Refreshments	Nancy Mirabella
Garden Tours	Linda Lomparis
Auditors	
Website	Peter Marra
July Picnic	Chris Dickinson
Christmas Party	Jane Jordan
Door Prize Selection	Jane Jordan, Mikey Lango and Chris Dickinson
Door Prize Distribution	Mary Collins
Publicity	
Nominating Committee	

Elections

Elections will be held at the September meeting.

Please feel free to volunteer for a position by contacting Carol.



Refreshments

This month refreshments are provided by CBRIS board members.

Reminder: bring your cup!



Time to Renew Your Membership!



September brings the CBRIS New Year!

Please pay dues of \$15.00 per individual at the next meeting or mail a check to

Mary Collins, PO Box 610906, San Jose, CA 95161

Birthdays

August

- Kalpana Shyam
- Trang Bui
- Carolyn Craft
- Cara Vainish
- Alice Gary

September

- Lynn Stuart
- Wayne Crabbs
- Iris Chien
- Diane Wang
- Lisa Chen
- Jane Kwant
- Erica Dhuey
- Christine Dickinson



Treasurer's Report

Clara B Rees Financial Statement, July 2024

Beginning balance, July 1, 2024	\$ 14,172.84
Expenses: Library rental	40.00
Rhizome sale flyers	33.90
Square fees	16.14
Revenue: Dues	450.00
Picnic rhizomes/plant stakes	1727.00
Ending balance, July 31, 2024	\$ 16,259.80

Clara B Rees Financial Statement, August, 2024

Beginning balance, August 1, 2024	\$ 16,259.80
Expenses: Soil and fertilizer for potting party	150.81
Tiger Tech web host (for next year)	143.40
Square fees	44.87
Revenue: Dues	105.00
Yamagami's rhizome sale	2453.00
Sales after Yamagami's	547.75
Sale tax collected	274.61
Ending balance, August 31, 2024	\$ 19,301.08



Dahout's Digs



September 2024

Welcome back returning members, and welcome to our new members! It's a new CBRIS year and we have an exciting program lineup for you. To start, Jane Jordan will kick off the year with a presentation of the recent AIS award winners. A feast for your eyes.

September is the month when members approve new officers and directors. We have three directors terming out – Jane Reiter, Ken Reiter and Linda Lomparis. Our secretary, Andrea Clague, and vice president, Trang Bui, will be terming out as well. We thank them for their interest, dedication and support! We will reveal, with the club approval vote, who your new officers and directors will be at the upcoming meeting.

Dues are due! If you didn't pay your dues at the July picnic, please bring cash or a check to the meeting. The dues are \$15 per individual.

The CBRIS website is still a work in progress, but under new direction from Lynn Stuart and her friend Stacey. I am encouraged that we are now moving in the right direction!



We had a busy summer with our annual picnic/auction in July, the digs at Jane Jordan's, our Yamagami rhizome sale in August, followed by our potting party at my house the following weekend. Sales of rhizomes are still continuing from our email list of past customers! We had great participation from our members and I thank you all! See you on Friday, the 6th!

–Carol Dahout, CBRIS President

Dates to Remember



2024 Fall Regional 14	Oct 11-13, 2024	Fresno, California
2024 CBRIS Spring Show	April 6, 2025	Saratoga, California
2025 Spring Regional 14	May 2-3, 2025	Santa Rosa, California
		"Irises, Redwoods, and Wines"
2025 AIS Convention	June 2-7, 2025	Billings, Montana
2026 Spring Regional 14	Mid-May	Reno, Nevada
2026 AIS Convention	May 18-23, 2026	New Jersey and New York
2027 AIS Convention	April 27-May 1, 2027 (tentative)	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma



Sunshine Donation

I wanted to share with everyone the amazing donation Sunshine received from Carl Boro at the picnic. Carl's wife Marilyn, besides being an avid iris grower/hybridizer, collected EVERY greeting card that she could find that had an iris on it and kept them in binders, lots of binders! Marilyn made notations in pencil on the back of each card or envelope how she came by the card, i.e. in trade, market, store, Art & Wine Festivals, dating back to 1986! Carl and his sister went through all the binders and ended up filling two Banker Boxes with cards. Carl brought the boxes to the picnic in the hope the club could use them, not knowing Ken and I would be attending.

So after two days of sorting, the Sunshine card stock has increased by 400+ cards; Birthday, Get Well, Sympathy, Thank You and blank cards that can be personalized for any occasion. This windfall will last us many years. There are so many beautiful cards.

Thank you, Carl, so much for this wonderful gift.

The new cards will start mailing in September, so be on the lookout for Marilyn's pencil notes on the card back or envelope. Which one will you get?



–Jane Reiter, Sunshine Chair

A Region 14 Hybridizer

There is a nice article about Diana Ford in the latest American Iris Society's bulletin. You may recall that Diana hybridized 'Centennial Celebration.' She lives in Hopland, California and is a valued member of the Santa Rosa Iris Society. Grab the Bulletin for her story written by our club member, Bryce Williamson.



Clara B Rees Iris Society's Proposed Budget for 2024-2025

8/13/2024

Sept 1, 2024 through Aug 31, 2025	Budget		Actual	
	2023/2024	2023-2024	2023-2024	2024-2025
EXPENSES				
<u>1. Chairperson expenses</u>				
A. Christmas Party	500.00	365.75	500.00	500.00
B. Hospitality	50.00	79.72	50.00	50.00
C. Advertising (bookmarks)	50.00			
D. July Picnic	150.00	150.00	150.00	150.00
E. Librarian				
F. Membership				
G. Spring Show/ Exhibition	1500.00	2744.32	2500.00	2500.00
H. Sunshine	50.00	49.50	100.00	100.00
<u>2. Club Officer's expenses</u>				
A. President				
B. Vice-President (Speakers/Programs)	300.00	305.00	300.00	300.00
C. Secretary/Treasurer				
<u>3. Fund Raising Expenses</u>				
A. Sale site fees	50.00			
B. Sales tax (State Board of Equalization)	400.00	471.00	450.00	450.00
<u>4. Club Purchased Iris</u>				
A. Bearded Iris	1500.00	1506.18	1500.00	1500.00
B. Beardless iris	250.00	343.90	250.00	250.00
<u>5. Copies/Literature/Educational Materials</u>				
<u>6. Donations (Reg. 14) Scholarship/Dry Creek</u>				
<u>7. Hall use/meeting space</u>				
<u>8. Iris Pots (and potting mix)</u>				
<u>9. Web Site</u>				
<u>10. Zoom fees</u>				
<u>11. Memorial Gifts</u>				
<u>12. Miscellaneous</u>				
<u>13. Square Fees</u>				
<u>14. Outgoing President's Gift</u>				
<u>16. AIS Contribution & Reg 14 Membership Donation</u>				
	<u>\$6,285.00</u>	<u>\$7,521.26</u>	<u>\$7,310.00</u>	

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(Proposed budget continued)

<u>INCOME:</u>	<u>Budget 2023/2024</u>	<u>Actual 2023-2024</u>	<u>Budget 2024-2025</u>
1. Beardless Raffle			
2. CBRIS Logo Item Sales		30.00	
3. Fund Raising subject to sales tax			
A. New rhizome sale location			
B. Gardeneur rhizome sale/ St. Leo's/or Farmer's Mkt	635.00		
C. Yamagami's	1900.00	2453.00	2500.00
D. Other Rhizome Sales	200.00	562.95	400.00
E. Spring Show or Exhibition			
F. Potted iris sales	1500.00	1581.60	1500.00
G. Sales tax collected	400.00	422.03	400.00
4. July Auction and Raffle at Picnic	850.00	1707.00	1500.00
5. Donations	100.00	5.00	50.00
6. Membership Dues	700.00	945.00	900.00
7. Miscellaneous	0.00	20.00	60.00
	\$6,285.00	\$7,726.58	\$7,310.00

Gain /(loss) for the year 205.32

\$ 2,108 already paid for show hall, including \$500 deposit, for 2025.

Fall Regional Basket Theme

It is time to gather items for the CBRIS basket being donated to the Fall Regional. The theme is “A Fall Harvest of Colors”. We are planning a basket full of food goodies. Please bring items to the September or October meeting or drop them off at Carol Dahout’s home. Let’s make the CBRIS basket a special one!



2024 American iris Society Awards

American Dykes Medal Best Iris	'Perry Dyer' AB	Paul Black
Wister Medal Three Best Tall-Bearded	'Rise Like A Phoenix' 'Blinded By The Light' 'Ninja Warrior'	Paul Black Larry Lauer Lynda Miller
Caparne-Welch Medal Best Miniature Dwarf Bearded	'Wee Dragons'	Lynda Miller
Cook Douglas Medal Best Standard Dwarf Bearded	'Cheerful Chipmunk'	Michael Sutton
Debaillon Medal Best Louisiana	'Eyes Wide Open'	Heather Pryor
Eric Nies Medal Best Spuria	'Red Warlord'	Lee Walker
Founders of SIGNA Medal Best Species	'Lavender Moonbeams'	Richard Tasco
Knowlton Medal Best Border Bearded	'Sicilian Orange'	Michael Sutton
Mitchell Medal Best Pacific Coast Native	'Caught In The Wind'	Joseph Ghio
Mohr Medal Best Quarter Arilbred	'Signal Butte'	Richard Tasco
Morgan-Wood Medal Best Siberian	'My Girl Emily'	Dean Cole
Payne Medal Best Japanese	'Columbia Crest'	Chad Harris
Randolph-Perry Medal Best Species Cross	'Violet Swallows'	Chad Harris
Sass Medal Best Intermediate Bearded	'Lakota'	Marky Smith
White Medal Best Aril or Arilbred	'Enchanter's Spell'	Richard Tasco
Williamson-White Medal Best Miniature Tall Bearded	'Candy Basket'	Chad Harris
Walther Cup Most HM votes in any category	'Dare To Be Different'	Thomas Johnson

For a complete list:

https://wiki.irises.org/Main/InfoGardenAwards2024?fbclid=IwY2xjawEnsdBleHRuA2FlbQIxMQABHb_z9KNHDWJdJeODM5-

Thank You! Thank You! Thank You!

Thank you to everyone who joined us for our 2024 CBRIS Rhizome Auction and Picnic. It was a joy to see so many CBRIS members and their families. Plus, we were lucky to have such nice weather. We did get into the food during our “breaks” but hey, that just gave us energy for the next round of bidding. Plus, it sure didn’t seem to slow us down much from enjoying a wonderful and filling lunch.

We need to thank the people who helped make this event possible:

Elaine Fischer stood in line at the Sunnyvale Community Center to acquire our event reservation and permit for the gazebo. Thank you for doing this for us all these years, Elaine.

Peter Marra and Chad Schroter came early in the morning to make sure the gazebo was in good shape and to help set up tables. Thanks for bringing that leaf blower Chad.

Wayne and Carolyn Craft for storing the CBRIS tables, bringing the tables to the picnic, and then taking them back home. Those tables seem to get heavier every year.



Chad Schroter, as always, was a humorous, and patient auctioneer.

Rachel Unger for helping us to see pictures of the irises being auctioned, and Lynn Stuart for being our “Rhizome Runner.”

Mary Collins for sorting, and bagging up, the Door Prize irises. This is a challenging assignment and every year Mary comes through for us. Thanks also to Carol Dahout and Jane Jordan for giving Mary a hand this year.

The accounting firm of Dahout & Dahout for keeping track of what we were bidding on during the auction, and then pleasantly taking our money.

Jane and Ken Reiter who came all the way up from Corona, CA to be with us. It was great to see them.

Mark Greene for ordering last year’s Door Prize irises, and Jane Jordan for keeping track of how they were behaving.

A heartfelt **Thank You to Mother Nature** who gave us a cool breeze to keep our spirits and auctioning paddles up.

Finally, a special CBRIS **Thank You** goes to all the folks who spent the last year growing and nurturing our Door Prize irises. We couldn’t have had the auction, or the fun of getting a door prize, without you.

–Chris Dickinson, CBRIS Picnic Chair



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Yamagami's Garden Center





Rhizome Sale 2024





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photos by Carol Dahout and Mikey Lango



CBRIS Door Prizes Iris September 2024

Acquiesce (Robin Shadlow 24) TB 33" M-L S. peach pink, F. red-violet, 1/4" pink edge, pink center stripe; B. white base with red-orange tips.

Auburn Tigress (Anton Mego 24) TB 33" M S. white with yellow flush and veining 3/4 up petal; F. white, heavily veined brown-orange, with near solid band of yellow-orange at edge; B orange; sweet fragrance.

By Starlight (Thomas Johnson 23) TB 35" M S. flesh pink with lavender shot up midrib; F. rich deep royal purple with lighter purple edge; B. orange with lavender end; slight sweet fragrance.

Chihuahua Evening (Howie Dash 24) AB (OGB) 23" M S. lavender veining on light lavender background; F. lavender veining on light lavender background, diffuse black on white signal; B dark brown.

Dreamsicle Delight (Steve Kelley 23) TB 29" EM S. sherbet orange; F. sherbet orange fading to creamy white; B. orange. **EC '18**

Flip A Coin (T. Johnson 24) TB M-L 40" S. white with a butterscotch and violet blended flush in the center; F. warm and rich butterscotch; B. brilliant red-orange. Stunning in a clump!

Foreign Concept (T. Johnson 24) TB 35" M-L S. Lavender blue with light reddish violet wash in the center; F. very rich and deep old rose; B. glowing red.

High Achiever (Keith Keppel 22) TB 40" M-L S. ruffled pinkish-buff; F. near wisteria violet with peach buff suffusion on hafts; B. coral red.

If You Come Softly (Robin Shadlow 22) TB 38" M-L S. soft orange; F. lighter soft orange, darker orange at shoulders; B. orange.

Light Of My Life (Riley Probst 25) IB S. red violet with yellow band; style arms medium yellow with red violet splotch; F. Red violet with white veining running throughout and yellow band. B. orange, fading to white tip.

Luxurious Folks (J. Cummins 24) TB 40" EM S. papaya pink; F. papaya orange with white blaze; B. orange.

Make Up Your Mind (P. Black 24) TB 33" EM S. white, dark purple plicata band midrib, random dotting; F. white, irregular dark purple broken color, solid and dotted, mottled plicata segments; B. purple base with sienna tips.

Moon Watcher (Mike Sutton 24) TB 35" M-L S. dark violet, palest violet at edge; F. very dark violet, palest lavender at edge, with faint pale violet veining, white in throat, luminata pattern; B. white with yellow tips.

Pitch A Fit (Perry Dyer by H. Stout 24) TB SA 35" M S. pale purple, heavily peppered and streaked mauve purple; F. white ground luminata-plicata pattern, heavily peppered and streaked mauve purple throughout; B. Spanish orange; long, upright feathered horns, sometimes flounces.

Royalty Remembered (Keith Keppel 17) TB RE 36" EM S. concord grape; F. slightly deeper, grape with some darker black-brown veining and shading on hafts; B. commodore blue. **HM'19, AM'22**

Separate Ways (A. Mego 24) TB 35" M-L S. white with 1/2" gold band at edge; F. greyed red-orange, 1/2" electric blue belly stripe, yellow rays radiating out from beard 3/4 way down petal; B. vivid orange-yellow.

Spirit Of Adventure (James Cummins 24) TB SA 42" EM S. misty lavender, with yellow rim; F. white, veined yellow, with yellow rim; B. orange throat, lavender middle, yellow end with yellow spoon appendages.

Storm Lord (R. Tasco 23) TB 35" M S. white, with thin yellow halo on edges; F. dark purple, with white starburst; B. orange in throat, yellow in middle and ends.

Vivacity (Barry Blyth 22) TB 37" M-L S. pure white; F. pure white, with 1/4" mid blue plicata stitched edge, and deeper blue hafts; B. yellow on white. Very ruffled.

Wild About You (P. Black 24) TB 33" EM S. solid mulberry; F. light buff pink with mid-red-purple plicata band and hafts; B. white base with tangerine tips.

CBRIS Door Prize Iris 2024 September



Acquiesce



Auburn Tigress



By Starlight



Chihuahua Evening AB



Dreamsicle Delight



Flip A Coin



Foreign Concept



High Achiever



If You Come Softly



Light of My Life IB



Luxurious Folks



Make Up Your Mind



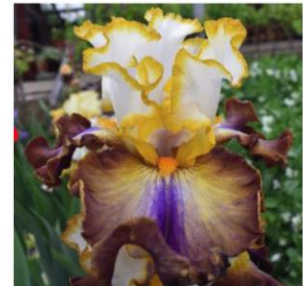
Moon Watcher



Pitch A Fit



Royalty Remembered



Separate Ways



Spirit of Adventure



Storm Lord



Vivacity



Wild About You

Iris Culture

The dog days of summer are upon us. Do you have newly acquired rhizomes? Are your iris clumps too crowded? It is time to get any irises that need replanting into the ground. They need to get established before the cold nights of winter bring a hard frost. Things to keep in mind:

1. Sunny location - minimum of six hours of sun.
2. Good drainage
3. Compost
4. A handful of even-numbered fertilizer; higher numbers, use a bit less.
5. Do not plant the rhizome too deeply. Just barely under the soil.
6. Plant 12 to 24 inches apart
7. Water deeply and often until you see new growth in the center of the fan. Then decrease watering until winter rains take over.

Not planting new rhizomes nor dividing? Weed and tidy up the iris bed, break off spent flower stalks, remove old leaves, scratch in a balanced fertilizer.

Region 14 American Iris Society

Know your Executive Board!

Officers

Regional Vice President (RVP) – email [Carolyn Hoover](#), 559-760-5638

Assistant Regional Vice President/JT Chair- [email Carol Cullen](#) 805-441-4433

Secretary – [email Patricia Eisenberg](#), 775-762-9165

Treasurer – [email Helen Franklin](#), 805-937-3445

Bulletin Editor – [email Stephanie Jennings](#), 775-750-2119

Central Area Director 2024-2027 – [Riley Probst](#), 209-551-6323

Southern Area Director 2022-2024 – [Helen Franklin](#), 805-937-3445

Northern Area Director 2022 – [Dan Williams](#), 775-962-1362 or 775-851-5220

Immediate Past RVP – [email Jean Richter](#), 510-864-7962



Region 14 Fall Regional Meeting**October 11,12 & 13 2024****Fresno, CA**

Friday, October 11

3:00 PM	to	7:00 PM	Registration
3:00 PM	to	4:30 PM	Reblooming Iris Show Set-Up Entries Accepted
5:00 PM			Iris Show Judged
6:00 PM	to	7:00 PM	Dinner on your own
6:30 PM	to	7:30 PM	Social Evening, Silent Auction Open
7:30 PM	to	9:00 PM	Guest Speaker- Delane Langton of Montana
9:00 PM	to	10:00 PM	Social Evening, Auctions/Bidding

Saturday, October 12

7:00 AM	to	8:30 AM	Registration
7:00 AM	to	8:30 AM	Breakfast on Your Own
8:30 AM	to	9:30 AM	Region Budget Meeting
9:30 AM	to	10:00 AM	Break and Auction Bidding
10:00 AM	to	12:00 PM	Region 14 Board and General Mtg.
12:00 PM	to	1:00 PM	Lunch (provided)
1:00 PM	to	2:30 PM	Judges Training TBA
3:00 PM	to	3:30 PM	Break/Auction Bidding
3:30 PM	to	4:00 PM	Iris Auction/Basket Drawing
4:00 PM	to	4:30 PM	Finalize Sales/ End Event

Sunday, October 13

10 AM	to	11:30 AM	Judges (In Garden) Training Given by: Doug Kanarowski 1 hour Reblooming Bearded Irises Bee Haven Iris Garden 50726 Falcon View Coarsegold, CA
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Region 14
2024 Fall Regional October 11-12-13, 2024
'A Fall Harvest of Colors'
Hosted by Region 14

Guest Speaker

Delane Langton, Co-Chair of the 2025 AIS National Convention,
Eagle Ridge Iris Garden, Billings, MT

Conference Room of the Redeemer Lutheran Church, Fresno, CA

1084 W. Bullard, Fresno, CA 93711

Lodging in your choice at hotels or Airbnbs in the greater Fresno area.

Registration includes a full lunch on Saturday, and during the meeting on Saturday morning, there will be a light breakfast served consisting of coffee, tea, juice and light pastries on Saturday and Sunday mornings. In garden tour and one-hour garden training at Bee Haven Iris Garden, Coarsegold on Sun. 10/13 at 10:30 AM.

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 September 7th, 2024, \$75 per person x person (s) Total \$ _____

If paid after September 7th, 2024 \$80 per person x person(s) Total \$ _____

Make checks payable to: Region 14 & mail to Registrar:

Joan Earnest, 40755 Griffin Dr. Oakhurst, CA 93644. (559)760-9873 bjearnest93644@yahoo.com