



# Fleur de Lis

## Clara B. Rees Iris Society

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**Next Meeting**  
**January 3, 2025**  
**7:30 P.M.**

**West Valley Branch Library**  
**1243 San Tomas Aquino Rd.**  
**San Jose, CA 95117**  
**Doors Open 7:00 PM**

**Dues**

**Sep 1, 2024-**  
**Aug 31, 2025**

**Adults - \$15.00**

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**CBRIS**  
**www.cbris.org**

**Region 14**  
**aisregion14.org**

**American Iris Society**  
**www.irises.org**

## January Program

### Happy New Year!!!

We always start the new year with lots of resolutions. Is one of your resolutions to grow spectacular irises? If so, the January program will give you all the information you need to give your irises the fertile soil they crave. Our member, Lynn Stuart, is a Master Gardener in Santa Clara County and she will enlighten us on how to have healthy soil in your garden.

Lynn will also be presenting the new CBRIS Website. Lynn and her longtime colleague, Stacey Becker came to the aid of the struggling website committee of Carol Dahout, Mikey Lango, Peter Marra, and Jane Jordan. Lynn and Stacey created this amazing new website with their web design expertise. Please check it out. [cbris.org](http://cbris.org)



## Dates to Remember

2025 CBRIS Spring Show	April 6, 2025	Saratoga, California
2025 Spring Regional 14	May 2-4, 2025	Santa Rosa, California
2025 AIS Convention	June 2-7, 2025	Billings, Montana
2026 AIS Convention	May 18-23, 2026	New Jersey and New York
2027 AIS Convention	April 27-May 1, 2027 (tentative)	Oklahoma City, Oklahoma





## Clara B Rees Financial Statement December 2024

**Tracy Bunger**  
**Monique Kelson**  
**Nola Prevost**  
**Mikey Lango**  
**Wayne Craft**  
**Mary Collins**  
**Grace Keng**

<b>Beginning balance, December 1, 2024</b>	<b>\$ 20,839.18</b>
Expenses: Christmas lunch	1767.08
Revenue: Dues	60.00
Christmas lunch	35.00
<b>Ending balance, December 30, 2024</b>	<b>\$ 19,167.10</b>

### Reblooming Irises

Do you have rebloomers showing their color now? If so, please send a photo to Mikey for the next newsletter. It is always good to see which ones are reblooming in our area.

You can check out the Reblooming Iris Society (RIS) at <https://www.irises.org/reblooming-iris-society/>. RIS was formed in 1967. They would appreciate any help by filling out a "Bloom Record" to keep track of rebloomers across the country.

### Refreshments



**Andrea Claque**  
**Jane Jordan**  
**Grace King**  
**Naomi Nakata**

**Linda Lomperis & Scott Smith**

**Reminder: Please bring your own cup.**



# Dahout's Digs

## January 2025

Happy New Year 2025!!!

Time for reflection, introspection and planning for the new year ahead. Part of that planning has to be a name for our 2025 Spring Show! Since our show is early this year, Sunday, April 6, 2025, we need to have a name so I can get it registered quickly. So think, think, think and come to the meeting with a brilliant title.



In other exciting news, our new website is live!! Check it out at [cbris.org](http://cbris.org). Huge thanks to Lynn Stuart and Stacey Becker! Their website design expertise enabled this to finally happen. Thanks also to Jane Jordan, Mikey Lango and Peter Marra for their contributions and not giving up hope. Lynn will be presenting the website to you at Friday's meeting.



Thank you to everyone who came to our Holiday Party at Tomato Thyme! It was a very festive, fun event. Please thank our refreshment hostess, Nancy Mirabella, for making this happen. She found the venue, took care of all the details, of which there were many, and made place cards and seed packets for everyone. The food was delicious and I'm sure we will be back.

Lastly, the AIS Region 14 Spring Regional is coming up on May 2-4, 2025 in Santa Rosa. There will be gardens to visit, judges training, guest speaker Diana Ford on Hybridizing Irises, a silent auction and dining. Not to be missed!



Carol Dahout,  
– CBRIS President and Showchair







**HOLIDAY  
LUNCHEON  
CBRIS 2024**





# CBRIS 2024







'Maiden'  
M. Byers 1990



'Violet Music'  
C. Mahan 1991



'Crimson King'  
Barr and Sons 1893 IB



'Happy New Year'  
M. Byers 1989



'Rosalie Figge'  
J. McKnew 1993



'Boundless'  
M. Sutton 2010



'Earl Of Essex'  
L. Zurbrigg 1980



'Snow Over Tahoe'  
W. Tyson 2024



'Winter Echoes'  
Irs Unguicularis, R. Tasco 2011



'Western Outlaw'  
K. Keppel 2022

## Blooming in CBRIS Members' Gardens...

photos by Carol Dahout, Jane Jordan, Mikey Lango and Riley Probst



## CBRIS Door Prizes January 2025

**Abrazos** (Hugh Stout 2024) IB 26" E-M S. Icterine yellow; style arms yellow; F dark chrome orange to flame orange with bright aureolin yellow blaze, amber yellow at edge; B. white base, gold tips.

**Ancient Reflections** (Richard Tasco 2023) AB (OGB) 30" L S. wisteria; style arms tan w/mauve midrib; F brick red, w/dime sized black signal; B gold.

**Bountiful Bloom** (Paul Black 2024) TB 35" M-L S. mid pink, blushed light violet up midrib; style arms peach; F. mid-red-violet, pale pink hafts veined to mottled light plum; B mid tangerine.

**Dangerous Love** (Thomas Johnson 2024) TB 36" EM S. deep wine red; F. dark black cherry with a lighter edge; B. frosted orange.

**Dot Matrix** (Howard Dash 2024) TB, 35" M S. brown, yellow-brown on the midrib; F. brown plicata overlaid on white base, pale yellow reverse; B orange-brown.

**Follow My Lead** (Thomas Johnson 2023) TB 37" E-M S. orange, with some gold influence at edge; style arms orange; F. yellow-orange, with white spot below beard; B. tangerine-red; pronounced sweet fragrance.

**Got The Picture** (Joseph Ghio 2016) TB 30" LM S. rosy blue-lilac; style arms lilac; F rosy blue-lilac, more silvery as bloom matures; B. tangerine, tips blue.

**Headless Horseman** (Douglas Kanarowski 2022) TB 35 M-L S. mid orange becoming pink-orange at base; F. deep black cherry, limited spray pattern around beard on pale orange ground; B. deep red-orange.

**Hyperdrive** (Mike Sutton 2024) TB 36" E-M S. mimosa yellow, palest red-violet flush at midrib; style arms sulphur yellow; F. white with yellow veining blending into a 1.5" purple-violet band at edge; ruffled; B. orange.

**Just Between Us** (Thomas Johnson 2023) TB 35" M S. medium pink in center, becoming white with pink veins, pink rim; style arms pink; F. white with rose-pink band; B. orange throat, pink middle, white end.

**Like A Dream** (Thomas Johnson 2024) TB 37" EM S. violet-pink blended center that transitions to golden yellow veins and outer band; F. light lavender centers surrounded by flesh pink band; B. orange with white end.

**Mai Tai Join You** (Schreiner's 2024) TB 38" M S. light orange; F. burnt orange; B. burnt orange.

**Martian Sunset** (Steve Kelly 2021) TB 30" E-M S. dark crimson, with lighter midribs; style arms light bronze; F. white hafts bleed into darker crimson, light fluorescent pink radiates from around gold beard. **HM '23**.

**Nostalgic Touch** (Mike Sutton 2024) TB 35" M-L S. pale cream, with pink flush at base and midrib; style arms pale cream; F. white, pale nectarine at shoulders; heavily ruffled; flared; B. cream.

**Red Moon Rising** (Richard Tasco 2023) AB (OGB+) 32" M-L S. grey violet; style arms lavender, crests grey; F. red, edged tan, quarter sized burgundy-red signal; B. yellow throat, grey middle, grey end.

**Satin Ruffles** (Keith Keppel 2023) TB 35" M-L S. light peach pink; F. lavender with bluer shading from beard to distal edge, peach pink shading on haft; B. orange throat and middle with lavender blue end.

**She's A Peach** (Mike Sutton 2024) TB 36" L-VL S. peach pink, pale chrome yellow edge; style arms peach pink; F. pale peach, flushed and veined darker; heavily ruffled; B. tangerine pink.

**Steady Date** (Keith Keppel 2023) TB 36" EM S. light apricot shading to rosy lavender center and base; F. light apricot, paling in center with slight rosy lavender flush; B. bittersweet.

**Sunset Blaze** (Rudolph Kleinsorge 1948) TB E 42" Golden flame-salmon blend self; B. golden yellow. **HM'49; AM'51**

**UFO Glow** (Steve Kelly 2024) TB 30" EM S. plum purple; F. plum purple edge, fluorescent lighter purple in center, slight haft marks in throat; B. orange gold.



# CBRIS Door Prize Iris January 2025



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Sunset Blaze



UFO Glow







## Irises, Redwoods, and Wines



# The Santa Rosa Iris Society invites you to the AIS Region 14 Spring Regional, May 2 – 4, 2025

Meetings, lunches, and the Banquet will be held at the Luther Burbank Art Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Ave, Santa Rosa, CA. We have two display gardens for visitation, plus two optional gardens. The Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center is where the club maintains its club's irises, bearded and beardless, and a Dykes Medal collection. It also has half of the Regional Guest Irises. The Santa Rosa Rose Society maintains a rose garden there as well. The 2nd garden, will be the Diane and Don Ford's iris farm in Hopland, Ca. In addition to the Regional Guest Irises planted there, you will see thousands of their iris seedlings which grow in the fertile soil of the Sanel Valley.

### The Meeting Schedule for the 2025 Spring Regional is as follows:

#### Friday, May 2, 2025

- 4:00PM- 7:00 PM Registration Check-in at LBA&GC, Silent Auction is Open
- 4:00PM- 6:00 PM Seedling Show entries made, followed by Judging
- 5:00PM- 6:45 PM Dinner on your own
- 7:00PM- 9:30 PM Welcome & General Board Meeting at LBA&GC

#### Saturday, May 3, 2025

- 7:00 AM- 8:00 AM Breakfast on your own
- 7:00 AM- 8:00 AM Registration Check In at LBA&GC
- 8:00 AM- Group 1 - Leave for Ford Garden in Hopland via Hwy 101
- 8:00 AM- 11:00 AM - Group 2 -View Display Garden @ LBA&GC
- 9:00 AM- 11:00 AM - Group 1 – Visit Diana & Don Ford's garden
- 11:00 AM- Group 1 - Return to LBA&GC
- Group 2, followed by Group 1 - Lunch at LBA&GC
- 12:00 PM- Group 2 - Leave for Ford Garden in Hopland via Hwy 101
- 1:00 PM- 4:00 PM - Group 1 - View Display Garden at LBA&GC
- 1:00 PM- 3:00 PM - Group 2 - Visit Diana & Don Ford's garden
- 3:00 PM- Group 2 - Turn in garden voting ballots at Ford's, or 4:00 PM at LBA&GC
- 3:00 PM- Group 2 - Return to LBA&GC
- 4:05 PM- Deadline for turning in ballots at LBA&GC**
- 5:00 PM- 7:45 PM No host cocktails followed by Banquet Dinner at LBA&GC
- 7:45 PM- 8:45 PM Guest Speaker: Diana Ford "Hybridizing Irises"
- 8:45 PM- 9:15 PM Awards Presentation: R14 Awards Chair
- 9:15 PM- 9:30 PM Silent Auction Closes and Basket Raffle Drawing occurs

#### Sunday, May 4, 2025

- 8:00 AM- 12:30 PM Breakfast and Lunch on your own.
- 9:00 AM- 10:30 AM Judges Training (In garden) @ LBA&GC 1.5 hrs.
- 9:30 AM- 12:30 PM Optional Garden, Anna Cadd, Healdsburg
- 9:30 AM- 12:30 PM Optional Garden, Ellen Johnson, Healdsburg





# Irises, Redwoods, and Wines May 2-4, 2025



**AIS Region 14 Spring Regional  
Hosted by the Santa Rosa Iris Society**

**Guest Speaker, Diana Ford**

**Luther Burbank Art Garden Center, 2050 Yulupa Ave, Santa Rosa**

Registration Form:

Registrant 1 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Registrant 2 First Name \_\_\_\_\_ Last Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ ST \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Telephone \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail for confirmation \_\_\_\_\_

Cell Phone Local Iris Society \_\_\_\_\_

Registration if paid by April 1, 2025, \$115.00 per person x number of person(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

If paid after April 1, 2025 \$125.00 per person x number of person(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Youth Registration \$ 60.00 per youth x number of youth \_\_\_\_\_ Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

Total Amount (Please enter this amount on the check) Total \$ \_\_\_\_\_

No Credit cards accepted. **Please make checks payable to: Santa Rosa Iris Society.**

**Please mail this registration with a check to Lynn Williams, Registrar  
25415 Salmon Pl, Willits, CA 95490, 707-456-9869 [laughinglynn2@gmail.com](mailto:laughinglynn2@gmail.com)**

Registrations received after April 23, 2025 will be accepted at the discretion of the Registrar.

Bringing iris for the Friday seedling show, check box

Attending Judges Training on Sunday, check box

Lunch Choices, check one:  Turkey  Beef  Veggie

Need Gluten Free meal, check box

The Luther Burbank Art and Garden Center will be the location of all events, except the garden visits.  
Registration fee includes coffee/snacks @ Friday night Board Meeting, box lunch on Saturday, and Saturday evening banquet. Visiting gardens will be via individual cars or car-pooling. Hotel or Airbnb on your own.

