



Noble Warrior (Tasco 2005)(AB)

# Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

## Bearded Iris SALE & AUCTION!

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Friday July 27th, 2007

SALE 7:30 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.

AUCTION 8:30 p.m. to 10:00 p.m.

~ Sale & Auction are free and open to the public ~

Lakeside Park Garden Center

666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland (directions on page 6)



If you attend only one Sydney B. Mitchell event this year, this is the one! This is our MAJOR fund-raising event. This year we're having the *sale* from 7:30 p.m. til 8:30 p.m. -- so folks can pop in & out to buy some iris -- and the *auction* from 8:30 p.m. - 10:00 p.m. No limit on number purchased! Free and open to all! Fine to leave early!

Please note that our usual venue for the Saturday-after-regular-sale "sidewalk sale" is no longer available -- proceeds at the new site, Broadway YMCA, may be negligible.

Also new -- you can buy iris by proxy! and/or bid by proxy! Just contact one of the following before Friday:

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Chuck Dekker (510) 525-6536,  
Gesine Lohr (510) 864-7962, or  
Alan Robbins (925) 939-1979, and  
tell them:

-- names of iris(es) desired,  
-- maximum amount willing to spend

Here is a list of SOME of the iris  
cultivars that will be available at the  
sale! (TBs unless otherwise noted)

Absolute Joy (Aitken 2006)(SDB) Bright pink self  
with fuchsia purple spot on F. Coral pink beard.

Absolute Treasure (Tasco 2005) Sky blue self. B:  
white-tip't yellow. Ruffled.

Aeronaut (M. Smith 2005)(IB) S: gray chartreuse-  
edged lilac. F: chartreuse yellow with lilac centers.  
B: red to tangerine to lavender. 27"

Almost Eden (Meek 1999) S: rose tan. F: ivory with  
rose-tan blush and rim. B: rose-tan to blue-violet.

Amethyst Magic (Kerr 2003) Medium red violet  
F with lighter fine edge. Medium red violet veins  
around light blue beard.

Aristocracy (Keppel 2005) S: wood violet, F: royal  
purple lighter near beard. B: light blue tip't light  
yellow.

Azure Like It (argh!)(Lauer 2005)(SDB) S: wisteria  
blue luminata wash. F: white with same wash, white  
area near tangerine-to-white beard.

Bamboo Shadows (Keppel 2005) Shades of yellow  
with some violet below cadmium yellow beard.

Bermuda Triangle (Cadds 2000) (BB) S: old gold  
w lavender midrib. F: old gold with fluorescent  
lavender-purple wash. B: bronze with lavender horn.

Bewitchment (Ghio 2004) S: deep pink, purple at

base. F: orchid pink, deeper at shoulders.  
Tangerine B.

Blackberry Tease (T. Johnson 2004) S: dark purple  
black with white center sanded black. F: white-cream,  
½" purple band and inner plicata. B: orange to dark  
purple.

Bluebeard's Ghost (Black 2006)(SDB) S: white,  
green-gold veins. F: white with fine green veins. B:  
dark indigo.

Cable Car (Luihn 1982) Saddle brown, flushed with  
golden-brown striations. B: cadmium orange.

Canadian Kisses (Black 2006)(SDB) S; pale blue-  
white, extensive azure plicata at center and edge. F:  
white, azure plicata concentrated at haft. B: white-  
yellow.

Cayenne (M. Smith 2003)(IB) S: dark red. F: black  
red, cream feathering near vermilion beards.

Celebration Song (Schreiners 1993) S: apricot pink.  
F: blue lavender. B: tangerine

Celtic Glory (Stahly 2000) Medium tangerine self  
with tangerine beards. Slight lemon fragrance.

Codicil (Innerst 1984) Medium blue w black beard.

Dorothy Davenport (Nichols 2003) S: deep peach. F:  
lighter peach. B: creamy peach.

Double Vision (Ghio 1999) S: gold with red wash. F:  
gold with red lines. B: brick red.

Elegant Pursuit (Kerr 2002) S; white. F: medium  
blue w white area below yellow B.

Envogue (M. Dunn 1991) S: white, faint orchid cast.  
F: crystal white, violet marking on edge and haft. B:  
orchid white.

Game Plan (Keppel 2002) S: topaz (yellow). F: gold  
shading to buff. B: tile red.

Gay Parasol (Schreiners 1974) S: light lavender-  
white. F: pansy rose-violet with pin-edged perimeter

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and beards same color as the standards.

Gilt Trip (Ghio 2005) S: light red. F: plush red-black. B: tangerine. Gold halo on all petals.

Gnus Flash (Kasperek 1994) S: light tan fading to grey, violet on midribs. F: violet streaked with white. B: yellow tip't violet.

Honeycomb (Lauer 2006) S: butterscotch, peachy cast fading to peachy yellow, thin white rim. F: white, wide buff rim. B: fire-red, tip't yellow. Ruffled.

Honey Crunch (Maryott 1988) S: golden tan, hint of pink. F: same, darker peach at shoulders. B: orange. Honey-sweet fragrance.

Inside Job (Ghio 2005) S: light blue shading to turquoise at base. F: blue-white overlaid medium blue, light blue band around edge. B: lemon tip't white.

Jesse's Song (Williamson 1983) S: clean white ground with substantial violet plicata band. F: same. B: lemon, tip't blue-white. Dykes Medal 1990

Knight's Vigil (R. Dunn 2001) S: washed blue violet, darker toward center. F: white ground washed and stained blue violet. B: tangerine.

Knock 'em Dead (Ernst 1993) S: buttery yellow. F: ruffled lavender with golden brown border. B: bright yellow.

Laurie (Gaulter 1966) Light rose-pink self. B: white/yellow.

Light and Shadow (Black 2003) S: white ground w violet blue plicata center and edge. F: medium blue violet w white center. B: gold to white.

Look Here (K. Fisher 2005)(MTB) S: gold. F: red overlaid with amethyst, fine gold border. B: yellow.

Lunar Shadow (Cadd 2005) Deep reddish purple self. F have cold metallic blue purple center. B: deep navy blue.

Magic Happens (Ghio 2005) S; white with gold halo.

F: white with blue violet lines radiating from gold shoulders. B: tangerine.

Marching Band (Ghio 2005) Orange. F: wide violet orchid band. B: tangerine.

Montevideo (Ghio 1986) Mid to dark orange with tangerine beard.

Mystique (Ghio 1975) S: light blue w deep purple flush at midrib. F: deep blue purple. B: bluish.

Night Moves (Tasco 2003) S: violet. F: plum purple with white shoulder markings. B: fire red.

Noble Warrior (Tasco 2005)(AB) S: ivory with light yellow midribs. F: golden yellow with burgundy red veins and signals. B: bushy, yellow to burgundy.

Olympic Challenge (Schreiners 1985) Rich orange with white area surrounding tangerine red beards.

Orange Pop (Lauer 1998) Orange self. B: orange.

Parisian Dawn (Keppel 2005) S: apricot cream with pink center. F: cream center shading to mauve edge. B: vermilion.

Peggy Sue (Lauer 2006) S: pink. F: oriental pink. B: mandarin red.

Photogenic (Ghio 2005) S: rosy pink with violet midrib. F: lavender orchid with blue in center. B: tangerine.

Pink Avenue (Schick 2004) Shrimp pink self. B: dark pink. Heavily laced.

Pink Latte (Aitken 2006)(SDB) S: pink. F: cream rim with cocoa brown spot. B: yellow tip't orange.

Plum Gleam (Gibson 1976) Magenta rose plicata, cream ground. White beard.

Presby's Crown Jewel (Schreiners 2002) White ground, dark blue violet plicata edge, style arms dark blue violet. F: white hairs tip't yellow.

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Quite The Reverse (Maryott 1998) S: medium blue violet. F: lighter violet. B: blue tip't white.

Restless Heart (Keppel 2005) S: white. F: white, veronica violet band. B: grenadine red.

River Siren (R. Dunn 1997) Ruffled royal purple self. B: purple.

Role Model (Don Denney by J. McWhirter, R. 1988) S: blend of melon, rose, tan, hues of peach. F: same, somewhat darker. B: orange tangerine tip't white. Ruffled.

Samurai Warrior (Schreiners 1981) Silky cherry red, self beard.

Sandy Larson (Rudkin 2004) Pink self. F: creamy pink centers with veining. B: red, pink end. Ruffled and pleated.

Shadows of Night (Tasco 2005) S & F dark purple, black highlights. B: dark blue-violet. Heavily ruffled.

Shipshape (Babson 1969) Blue self.

Skating Party (Gaulter 1983) Fluted white. \* B: lemon tip't white.

Skyhooks (Osbourne 1980)(SA) S: soft yellow. F: same, flushed lighter in center. B: gold ending in violet horns. Ruffled.

Slovak Prince (Mego 2002) S: white shaded orchid lavender, 1/8 " gold rim. F: dark velvety blue purple, white area around gold beard with purple veining changing to brown.

Socialist (T. Johnson 2005) S: medium lilac blue. F: medium red violet. B: tangerine.

Spiced Lemon (T. Johnson 2006) S: brassy gold, ginger brown plicata at base. F: light brassy yellow ground, ginger brown plicata. B: brown.

Stairway To Heaven (Lauer 1993) S: creamy off-white. F: medium blue undertoned lavender. B: white.

Stitched in Blue (K. Fisher 2005)(MTB) S: stitched blue lavender, white background. F: stitched blue lavender w white center. B: light yellow, white at end.

Sweet Musette (Schreiners 1986) S: lavender pink. F: rich rose pink. B: tangerine.

Thornbird (Byers 1989)(SA) S: pale ecru. F: greenish tan overlaid with violet lines radiating from beard. B: mustard tip't violet beard with horns. Dykes Medal.

Timescape (Hager 1990) S: lavender white darker at midrib. F: blue white washed orchid lavender, dark in center. B: white tip't yellow.

True Spirit (Tasco 2004) S: honey tan. F: dark cherry wine with light edge. White net pattern around light brown/yellow beards.

Vigilant (Ghio 2005) S: blue lavender. F: black purple. B: burnt brick.

Whippersnapper (Judge/deSantis 1997) S: wisteria blue with dark violet center line. F: white ground with plum purple marking. B: yellow tip't purple.

White Room (Lauer 2005) White with diamond dusting. B: Indian orange tip't white.

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There will be more iris than those in the above list! Gesine will be bringing some rhizomes of the historic Lady Albright (Muhlestein 1949)(picture on back cover), from an iris conservation project we're doing with a 94 year old irisarian. I will also bring some rhizomes of Indian Chief (Ayres 1929), a very sturdy and wonderful historic iris who I got from my late Ma's garden (thanks Ma!). S: medium carmine, F: darker carmine, beautiful gold reticulations, B: gold, wonderful iris fragrance.





2007 Sydney B. Mitchell Meeting Dates & Calendar (\* = SBM event)

*Friday	July 27th  Sale 7:30 p.m. Auction starts 8:30 p.m.	TB SALE & AUCTION, incorporating the Sidewalk Iris Sale OUR *BIG* FUND RAISER FOR THE YEAR!!!! You can buy and/or bid by proxy -- see article! [call Chuck Dekker, Gesine Lohr, Alan Robbins before Friday]
*Saturday	July 28th	Sidewalk sale at new location -- Downtown Oakland YMCA 2350 Broadway 9:00 a.m. -- 2:00 p.m.
DOORPRIZE IRIS -- pickup at the Rhizome Sale & Auction! If you're not planning to attend, you can arrange picking them up with Door Prize Chair Marjorie Murray (510) 525-3397		
*Friday	August 24	Gesine Lohr – Historic Iris – 100 Most Shown Historics (with handouts including names & descriptions of old iris; also 10 free CDs with scans of old catalogs)
*Sunday	~Sept 30 tba	BBQ
Friday	October 19	Fall Regional
*Friday	October 26 tentative	Beardless AUCTION & SALE

**Directions to the Garden Center:** *From the north or west;* take Highway 580 or 24 to 980; take the West 27th Street/Grand Avenue exit, turn left on 27th Street, go east to Grand Avenue, watch for Lake Merritt on the right, take a left on to Grand Ave., then a right at the stoplight into the park. Proceed on Bellevue to the Garden Center.

*From the south or east;* take the Lakeside (Lake Merritt) or Grand Ave. exit in Oakland; follow around the lake on the north and west side to Grand Ave. and Bellevue, turn left into the park. Proceed to the Garden Center, park on either side of the road. We hope you can come - everyone is welcome!

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Your SBM Officers:

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If you see old iris stuff which is about to be tossed, please contact me (Gesine), so we can conserve these bits of history. I assure you, anything donated will be cherished. (510) 864-7962

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A Great Time Of Year to give potted iris for wedding, graduation, solstice presents!  
Chuck and Alice Dekker (510) 525-6536.

[www.irises.org/listsandchat.htm](http://www.irises.org/listsandchat.htm)

If you have computer/internet access, see neat iris discussion groups listed here.

See Historic & modern pictures at Rick Tasco/Roger Duncan's photo albums  
<http://community.webshots.com/user/rickt103>

[www.bayareairis.org](http://www.bayareairis.org) Our Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society Website!

by Terry Strathman

Website is still a work in progress!

Let her know your thoughts! and cheer her on!

email Terry at [strath@berkeley.edu](mailto:strath@berkeley.edu)

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**American Iris Society (AIS)** Dues can be mailed to Membership:

Tom Gormley, P.O. Box 28, Cedar Hill, MO 63016-0028. \$25.00 single, \$30.00 dual  
aismemsec@earthlink.net See [www.irises.org/](http://www.irises.org/)

Please pay your **SBM Membership Dues** for 2007 ~ please give to Bonnie Pethram, or send checks made out to Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society to Bonnie at 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501. \$10 per household. Your mailing label shows when your dues are paid up to (according to our records – please let us know if it's incorrect!).

**Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS)** dues can be mailed to

Membership Secretary, Judy Eckhoff

7911 S. Yoder Rd

Haven, KS 67543-8114

or you can pay online at [www.hips-roots.com/visitors/v-membership.html](http://www.hips-roots.com/visitors/v-membership.html)

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Global Warming negatively affects iris growing!

SBMIS Newsletter -- Gesine Lohr

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Lady Albright (Muhlestein 1949)