



'Speeding Star' (Anna & David Cadd, 2002) winner of the 2011 Eric Nies Medal

Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday, February 24
8:00 p.m.

Anna Cadd will present
a slideshow on
Spuria Iris



*Friday, February 24th, 2011
is the date of our next meeting at
Lakeside Park Garden Center
666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland*

*Doors open at 7:30 p.m.,
Meeting at 8:00 p.m. Program after brief business. Meetings are free &
open to the public, all are eligible for door prizes.*



Program -- Anna Cadd will present a program on Spuria Iris.

We are very happy to have Anna Cadd presenting -- her slide shows are always very interesting and she is a wonderful presenter.

Refreshments -- anyone who can bring refreshments to share, please do so!

Thanks! to all who helped with our January potluck meeting at the boat house! The food was really varied and plentiful, and we had a good turnout for Jean Richter's judges' training on historic iris.

Doorprize iris!



Dragon King (Tasco 2011) TB

S: rose, F: deep rose with dark lines,
B: old gold

Cause for Celebration (Kerr 2011)

TB 38" M-L. White beard hairs are heavily tipped red orange. The domed and ruffled standards are white with the slightest hint of pink. The white falls are semi-flaring with yellow hafts. The big features are the fall edge markings. The edge can have one to three bands of blue. Most commonly there is a wide medium blue band with an inner band of light blue and sometimes with a third, lighter band on the outer edge.



Judy Nunn (Kerr 2010)

TB 35" M This variety combines Keppel and Ghio lines to create a pink and orange blend with coral tangerine beards. The standards are pink with a hint of orange. The falls are pinkish orange with a hint of darker orange at the hafts. There are violet lines from the beard to within a half inch of the edge of the falls. Named in honor of Judy Nunn, who among many other good things, is the editor of Tall Talk.

Edge of the World (M. Sutton 2011 (see page 4 for picture & description)

American Iris Society (AIS) Dues can be mailed

to Tom Gormley - AIS Membership Secretary
205 Catalonia Avenue / P.O. Box 177
DeLeon Springs, FL 32130
Phone and fax: 386-277-2057
E-mail: aismemsec@irises.org
\$25.00 single, \$30.00 dual.
See www.irises.org/

Check your AIS membership status: Need to know your membership expiration date? expiration date for club members or your Region's members for Affiliation? www.aislookup.org

Please pay your 2012 **SBMIS Membership Dues** ~ please give to Bonnie Petheram, or send checks made out to Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society to Bonnie at 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501. \$10 household.

Historic Iris Preservation Society (HIPS) dues can be mailed to HIPS Membership: Judy Eckhoff, 7911 South Yoder Road, Haven, KS 67543
E-mail: judye@msinter.net
\$10.00 single annual, \$12.00 dual annual.
www.hips-roots.com

Directions to the Garden Center:

666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland

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!

[On weekends only -- Expect to pay \$5.00 at the toll booth to park.

AC Transit Bus -- AC Transit bus #12 runs on Grand near the entrance to the park -- check transit before planning, as routes do change.

<http://tripplanner.transit.511.org>

By phone -- Dial 511 and say, "AC Transit," to speak with a person about route info

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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

www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Sydney-B-Mitchell-Iris-Society/116888028332187?ref=ts

New venue for our Iris Show

The show will be one day, Saturday May 5th, at Resurrection Lutheran Church's basement ("undercroft"). Setup the night before.

THE 2012 SAN FRANCISCO FLOWER & GARDEN SHOW -- March 21-25

<http://sfgardenshow.com/>

The AIS is hosting a booth at the San Francisco Flower & Garden Show March 21-25. The event is from 10 am to 7 pm and held at the San Mateo Event Center. It's fun, easy to get to and you get in free for the entire day if you work a shift in the iris booth. We are allowed 6 free tickets per day and must have 2 people in the booth at all times. The first shift is from 9:50 am to 1 pm, second shift is from 12:50 pm. to 4 pm and the last shift is from 3:50 pm to 7 pm. If you'd like to volunteer, contact Carolyn Craft or phone her at (408) 266-0945.

*A Sydney B Tradition!
We have members who for various reasons find it difficult or impossible to come to meetings. One of the issues is transportation. This could become a nice SBM tradition -- inviting, and arranging to bring, members to our meetings. Makes everyone happy!*

Global warming is here—you know what to do
SBMIS Newsletter -- Gesine Lohr
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Edge of the World (M. Sutton 2011)

TB 32" M-L & RE The thick brown rim on the edge of the standards is gold dusted and contrasts nicely with the blue-violet standards. Near black falls have a slightly lighter area around the dark brick orange beards.