



Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday,
August 28th, 2015
7:30 p.m.
The 2015 AIS Convention
a slide presentation by
Riley Probst

(above): **Core Values** (Ghio 2013)

photo: Riley Probst



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*is the date of our next meeting at
Lakeside Park Garden Center
666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland*

Doors open at 7:00 p.m.,

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



Program -- Riley Probst will present a slideshow about the 2015 AIS Convention! Riley's presentations are always full of many great photos, I'm looking forward!

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

We'll be giving out our August door prize irises, ****at the meeting****.

See p.2 about our old-stuff give away!

*right: **Opposites** (Trio 2012) photo: Riley Probst*



President's Message

I hope you can join us at our next meeting - **Riley Probst** will be giving a program on the 2015 American Iris Society convention, which this year was held in Oregon. I'm sure there will be lots of great pictures!

Speaking of Riley, he was among several SBMIS member hybridizers with strong showings in the 2015 AIS awards. His 2013 introductions '**Leave the Light On**' (IB) and '**Power Lines**' (TB) won Honorable Mention awards (the latter was his first TB HM).

Shirley Trio received her first AIS award with an Honorable Mention for her 2012 TB introduction

'**Opposites**', which received the second-highest number of HM votes for a TB, and was fourth runner-up for the Walther Cup, the award given to the iris with the most HM votes (in any iris category).

Two SBMIS hybridizers who are gone but definitely not forgotten also received awards: Vernon Wood's '**Pinole Prince**' (introduced in 2005 by Terri Hudson) was the runner-up for the Sydney B. Mitchell Medal, given to the best PCN. Terri also introduced Adele Lawyer's PCN '**Lewis Lawyer**' in 2007, and that iris was a runner-up for an Award of Merit.

Congratulations to all!

~ Jean



Give-Away! a bunch of old AIS Bulletins!

While we were at the AIS Convention, we were able to rescue a bunch of 60s-70s-80s AIS Bulletins -- some were excess at the convention sale, and a bunch were ones Riley found out about that were going to go into recycling. (Also a couple later catalogs).

We have 2 big boxes! free for all!

2015 Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society Calendar

All meetings are at the Garden Center,
**except for the July sidewalk sale and
September potluck.**

August 28 Riley Probst!

Sept. date TBA Potluck

Oct 23 Beardless auction & sale



Doorprize iris!

We'll be giving out our August door prize irises, **at the meeting.**

Photos & info from:

<https://www.facebook.com/superstitionirisgardens>

<http://www.keithkeppeliris.com/gallery.html>

<http://www.napairis.com/intro.html>

<http://wiki.irises.org/bin/view/TbKthruO/TbMagic-Mirror>



Free as the Wind (Tasco 2015)--AB (OGB-), 24", ML. Parentage = Energizer X Replicator. *(photo above)*

Hearts On Fire (John Painter 2014) 36" M Deep warm red with gold-tinted base and midrib. Falls are a deeper velvet red with a touch of purple below beards. Beards are antique gold. Ruffled with slightly crinkled

edge. Light musky to sweet fragrance. 7-8 buds. Sibling to Cherokee Blaze 2013 J05-20C: (Valentino X House A'Fire) *(photo below)*



Magic Mirror (Ghio 2015) *(photo right, from AIS WIKI, by K. Brewitt)*



What a Beauty (Ghio 2015) *(photo from AIS WIKI, by C. Boro)*



Doorprize iris! con't:

Shivaree (Keppel 2015) M 33" (((Game Plan pod parent sib X Game Plan pollen parent) X Sunblaze) X Golden Panther) As loudly raucous as any proper shivaree!! Ruffled bright orange standards sit atop falls of equally bright but more yellow toned orange. Shoulders are pleasingly decorated with soft rosewood reticulations beside the solidly colored red orange beards. Unfortunately like its parent color is not totally sunfast, but a shrill orange blast in the garden it is hard to surpass. Three branches, seven to ten buds. (*photo below*)



High Desert (Keppel 2015) TB, 40" Midseason bloom. Standards chrome lemon (M&P 9-KL-2); style arms goldenrod (10-L-5); Falls martius yellow (9-J-1) ground paling to warm white in center, narrow dark greyed red-purple (48-J-9) band, veined shoulders and dart below beard; beards mustard orange and light purple; plicata. (*photo upper right*)



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 2015 **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.historiciris.org

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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**How to vote the tall bearded
symposium**

go to the AIS web site <irises.org>

click on "NEWS"

scroll down to and click on

2015 Tall Bearded Symposium

scroll down and click on

2015 Tall Bearded Symposium Ballot

Record your chosen iris numbers and email the

numbers to the Region 14 RVP

jmpesek@sbcglobal.net

p.s. we will try to have a cat image in every issue!

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

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!

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This Is It
(Belardi
2010)
(photo Riley
Probst)

