

(above): Black Hope (Austin 1963)

Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday, March 27th, 2015 7:30 p.m.

Lloyd Austin's Iris
Jean Richter



Friday, March 27th, 2015
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 -- Jean Richter will present a slideshow of Lloyd Austin's Iris ~ an expanded version of the talk Jean will be giving to the new Novelty Iris Society at the upcoming AIS Convention [her talk at the Convention will be 15 minutes; for Sydney B, it will be a more typical length slide presentation].

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





President's Message

We're gearing up for our spring show and sale, which will be set up on the evening of Friday, April 24, with entries accepted from 7:00 - 9:30 a.m. on Saturday, April 25.

The show will be open from 1:00 - 5:00 p.m. on Saturday and 10:00 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. on Sunday, April 26.

We need your help to have a successful show! Please bring iris to display. If you don't know the names of your iris, you can always enter them in an artistic display (the artistic theme this year is "Carnavale!"). We also need people to help set up and tear down the show, bring dishes for the judges' luncheon, bring potted iris to sell, and staff our sales/info table during the show's open hours. With your help, we'll have a great show!

.Jean Richter

2015 Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society Calendar

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

March 27 Jean Richter - Lloyd Austin iris

April 17-19: Spring regional

April 24 show setup April 25-26 SBMIS show

May 18-23: AIS convention Portland

May 22 Bonnie Petheram

June 26 Ken Walker - growing

beardless iris

July 24 Bearded auction & sale

July 26 sidewalk sale

August 28 Riley Probst

Sept. date TBA Potluck

Oct 23 Beardless auction & sale



2 above: Crimson Repeater (Austin 1964)

Doorprize iris!

Photos & info from:

http://rainbowacres2.homestead.com/iris1.html http://www.napairis.com/intro.html https://www.facebook.com/superstitionirisgardens http://www.keithkeppeliris.com/gallery_2013.html http://wiki.irises.org/bin/view/Bb/BbWisecrack

Cosmic Blast (Kerr 2014)

Tall bearded. 36" Midseason ((Gallant Theme x (Gallant Theme x Wild Vision)) X Mastery) Five colors go into the makeup of this stunning variety. The standards are bold yellow, but the falls have four distinct color zones. The base color of the petal is lavender. There is an olive tan edge and a reddish brown center with the area beside be beards whie the dark brown veining. Add to this a bold personality and we have a garden winner. *(photo: below)*



Midnight Rose (L. Painter 2014)

36" L Standards are a light mauve pink. Falls are blackish plum. Black purple beards are tipped old gold. Lightly ruffled with a light musky fragrance. 7 buds. L03XB parentage lost but possibly ((Bubble Up X (Chinese New Year x Romantic Evening)) (photo: upper right of page)



Shaman's Magic (Tasco 2014)
AB (OGB), 33", ML. parentage = Aztec Prince X 04-AB-03-09 (Bagdad's Folly x Energizer)
(photo: below)



Doorprize iris! continued...

Tiger Play (Kerr 2013) TB 38" M. (Bold Vision X (Ghio 98-3F x Kathy Chilton sib)) Here is a different sort of color breaker. No two flowers the same. Some falls, some flowers, some stalks with no color breaking at all. It's a puzzlement. *(photo: below)*



Wisecrack BB (Keppel 2013) BB, 27" (69 cm). Midseason bloom. Standards burnous (M&P 9-C-4) to orient pink (9-A-6); style arms jonquil (9-J-5); Falls capucine buff (9-E-4/5) shoulder paling and blending with violet (43-C-8), plumbago grey (44-B-4) at edge; beards solid fire red (1-F-12), prominent. 01-61B, 'Brazilian Art' sib, X 03-12C: ('Undercurrent' x 'Parisian Dawn') (photo: below)



Some iris by Lloyd Austin

Spooned Fantom (Austin 1960)



Horned Tracery (Austin 1962) (flower pulled open)



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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Global warming is here-you know what to do SBMIS Newsletter -- Gesine Lohr 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501

below: Spooned Fantom (Austin 1960)



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

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!

A Sydney B Tradition!

right: Spooned Blaze (Austin 1965)

