



Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday,
March 23rd, 2018

Hands-on Practice
how to enter iris in a
show!

~ with expert advice! ~

(above): Fairy Dawn (Scheffy 1953).
Blooming today, which is early bloom for a
Siberian iris photo: Jean Richter



Friday, March 23rd, 2018

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

Doors open at 7 pm, meeting starts at 7:30 pm

Meetings are free & open to the public, all are eligible for door prizes.



Program -- Hands-on Show Entry practice! with expert advice on how to prepare your show entries. Stalks, containers will be provided -- feel free to bring your own stalk(s) if you have them!

right: Volunteer kitties stand ready to help trim stalks

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



President's Message

I hope your iris are growing well and have appreciated our recent rain. Our show will be here soon (April 21-22), so once again we are having hands-on practice at our upcoming meeting on preparing and grooming entries for the show.

I would especially like to encourage those members who haven't entered our show before to come to the meeting and give it a try - it's fun! We will have experienced members and AIS judges on hand to give you tips on making your iris look their best. Don't worry if you don't have anything in bloom - we'll provide iris stalks for you to work with.

~ Jean

Doorprize Iris! (continues next 2 pages)...

left: Barbara Jean Lauer (Lauer 2017) RE
right: Black Lipstick (Keppel 2016)

photo: Lauer web site
photo: Keppel web site



Doorprize Iris! *photos: hybridizers*

- top right:* Candy Basket (Harris 2016) MTB
- top left:* Cold Fusion (M. Sutton 2011)
- lower left:* Decked Out (Burseen 2015)
- middle right:* Firefly Frenzy (Tasco 2017) AB
- lower right:* High Desert (Keppel 2015)



Doorprize Iris!

top right: Litany of Magic (Annand by Marshall 2015)

top left: Marital Bliss (Keppel 2017)

lower left: Orange Breeze (M. Sutton 2017)

middle right: So Unusual (Filardi 2015)

lowest right: When In Love (Ghio 2017)





**Region 14 Spring Regional Event
“Butterflies in the Mountains”**

**Co-sponsored by Region 14 and San Joaquin Iris Society
Guest Speaker – Rick Tasco, Superstition Iris Garden**

**Conference Hall
Bootjack Stomper’s Hall
4462 Mormon Bar Crossing
Mariposa CA**

HOTEL

See website for hotel choices.

**To receive the discount rate, use the name Regional Iris Society when making your reservation.
The room rate is available until April 10, 2018 at Best Western and Monarch Hotels
See website for hotel choices.**

Registrant #1 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Registrant #2 First Name _____ Last Name _____

Address _____ City _____ ST _____ Zip _____

Telephone _____ E-mail for confirmation _____

Local Iris Society _____

Registration fee if paid by April 10th 2018 \$ 80.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

if paid after April 10th 2018 \$90.00 x person (s) _____ Total \$ _____

(No refunds after April 30th 2018)

Registration includes lunch and dinner on Saturday

Please indicate registrant # 1 or #2 for lunch choice

Lunch:

Roast Beef Sandwich _____

Ham Sandwich _____

Turkey Sandwich _____

Veggie Sandwich _____

Dinner Buffet includes: Catered Mexican cuisine

Please make checks payable to Region 14.

Please send registration to: Kathy Braaten 10288 Kenwood Dr Grass Valley CA 95949

E-mail katbrat@cebridge.net Phone 530 477-2811

Judges Training Sunday May 13th 9am Kanarowski’s Garden

Will attend Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

Iris Show Friday May 11th Bootjack Stomper’s Hall

Will enter Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

Iris Entries accepted Friday 2:00-4:30pm Judging at 5:00pm

Carolyn Hoover Show Chair--yischoover@sti.net

Meeting Region 14 Board/General meeting Friday, May 11th, 2018, 7:00 pm

Yes _____ No _____ Maybe _____

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 2018 **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
For amounts, please see 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: Spring Awakening (Kerr 2014) photo: Jean Richter



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

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!