



# Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday June 28th

**online meeting,  
will do virtual  
doorprize iris drawing**

(above): Door prize iris Storm Lord  
(Tasco 2023) photo: Rick Tasco



I hope you all continue to do well and stay safe. This month we will again have an **online meeting via Zoom**. We will choose the club selections for the AIS tall bearded iris symposium. Judging is still in progress for our virtual show, so I won't be able to announce the show winners yet. Instructions for joining the meeting and tips on using Zoom are elsewhere in the newsletter.

You can view the tall bearded iris symposium ballot here:

<http://www.irises.org/wp-content/uploads/2024/03/AIS-2024-TB-SYMPOSIUM-BALLOT-1.pdf>

We will once again be doing a virtual door prize drawing. If you would like to enter, please either email me at [jeanrichter@berkeley.edu](mailto:jeanrichter@berkeley.edu), call me at (510) 205-4033, or drop me a note at 1226 High St, Alameda, CA 94501. Please list three or four door prize iris you'd like to win. You don't need to attend the meeting to be in the door prize drawing.

See page 4 for registration link for our upcoming Zoom meeting!

Take care everyone. ~ Jean



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## Zoom tips:

Here is some information on how to get going with Zoom (thanks to the Bay Area Chrysanthemum Society for the origin of these hints and tips). We will open the meeting room starting at 7:20 pm on the 28th, so that people can come in early and hopefully work out any access issues if needed. I am also available for help and consultation at any time, either by phone at (510) 205-4033 or email (jeanmarierichter@gmail.com). I would be happy to set up a on-on-one Zoom meeting to help test anyone's setup.

Zoom is fairly easy to use, free to download, and can be used on an iPhone or Android phone, or on a computer, iPad, tablet or laptop (most of these devices have built-in microphones and speakers). You can also join the meeting (sound only) on a regular phone by calling one of the numbers listed in the Zoom meeting instructions. If you have any problem accessing the sound on your computer, you can also call one of these numbers and join the sound by phone, while seeing the video feed on your computer.

- You will need to download the Zoom app first -- when you click the meeting link, it will automatically take you to the download site

- You can run a test to check your video & audio at <https://zoom.us/test>

- If this is your first time joining a Zoom meeting, allow Zoom permission to access your camera and microphone. It should automatically ask you if you want to do this, but if it does not ask you, and if you are on an iPhone or iPad, go to "Settings," then scroll ALL the way to the bottom and click on "Zoom." There, it will allow you to enable the microphone and camera for Zoom use.

- Just follow the meeting link and click join the meeting. You do not need to sign up for a Zoom account.

Thank you for your patience and understanding as we all try to navigate this brave new online world.

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# Doorprize iris!

(left top) **Shifting Gears** (Keppel 2023)

(right top) **To Wander** (Schreiners 2023)

(right middle) **Backstory** (Williamson 2021)

(left below) **Bright and Shining Star** (Black 2020)

(right below) **Golden Illusion** (Tasco 2022) AB





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Do what you can to stop global warming  
SBMIS Newsletter -- Jean Richter  
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501  
below: RIP big beautiful boy Batman



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](https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Sydney-B-Mitchell-Iris-Society/116888028332187?ref=ts)

**2024 SBMIS Meeting dates:**

- June 28 Club picks for symposium
- July 26 rhizome auction & sale
- August 23 TBA
- September BBQ TBA
- October 25 beardless auction & sale

***Keep in Touch,  
CALL A FRIEND!***

*A Sydney B Tradition!  
Sheltering in place doesn't have to  
mean social isolation - you just have  
to be a bit more creative about it.  
Make a new SBM tradition -- get in  
touch with another member. Makes  
everyone happy!*