



Sydney B. Mitchell

Online Judges'
Training
January 25th
2:00 - 4:00 p.m.

(above): Crimson King (collected by Barr 1893), blooming now



Instead of our usual January potluck, we will have an online judges' training on the afternoon of Saturday, January 25th. This event will feature a two-hour training on novelty iris, presented by noted hybridizer, AIS emeritus judge, Novelty Iris Society founder, and current AIS president Bonnie Nichols. More information is on page 3.

COVID, RSV, and flu are all surging - stay home when you can, and wear an N95 mask when you can't.

Take care everyone and stay safe. Jean



President's message:

I hope you can attend our online judges' training on the 25th - you do not need to be a judge to attend.

I am still hoping to find someone to succeed me as SBMIS president, particularly as I have taken on yet another position as Novelty Iris Society president. Please consider stepping up! I am happy to help in any way that I can.

Here's hoping better times and beautiful blooms will come our way soon! Jean

Not many iris blooming for us right now, but here is a Schlumbergera (Christmas cactus)



Sydney B. Mitchell 2025 Calendar:

Upcoming meetings:

February 28

March 28

April - virtual show (AIS accredited!)

May 23

June 27

July 25 bearded rhizome auction/sale

August 22

September - potluck TBA

October 24 beardless iris sale

Info for January online judges' training:

The judges' training will be Saturday, January 25th -- you do not have to be a judge to attend.

Please use this link to register for the Zoom meeting:
<https://us02web.zoom.us/join/tZ0rdeuqqjgtH9DCEKiwUDVWKBQ5DNhJZ6gq>

The training will begin at 2:00 p.m. I will open the Zoom room at 1:45 if you wish to test your setup to make sure it is working properly.

I will email all registrants later this week with a link to the test for the training. The test will be available in several different formats, including an online version (via Google Forms).



Iris unguicularis, the winter blooming iris (blooming now).

Care for the earth—it's the only planet we've got
SBMIS Newsletter -- Jean Richter
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501

If you see **old iris stuff which is about to be tossed**, please contact Gesine, so we can conserve these bits of history. (510) 864-7962

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