
Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society



(above): Break the Barrier (M. Sutton 2024)

*photo: Sutton's
a doorprize iris!*

Zoom Meeting!
Friday March 28

**Jean Richter program on
novelty iris
will do virtual doorprize iris
drawing**



We will be holding our meeting via Zoom this Friday at 7:30 p.m. - details below:

Join Zoom Meeting:

[https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89864647741?](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89864647741?pwd=hYbZ8PyhNNbwLA8ueBH4BABcZMfieH.1)

[pwd=hYbZ8PyhNNbwLA8ueBH4BABcZMfieH.1](https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89864647741?pwd=hYbZ8PyhNNbwLA8ueBH4BABcZMfieH.1)

Meeting ID: 898 6464 7741

Passcode: 092484

I will give a presentation on novelty iris old and new, with updated pictures of newer novelties.

If you would like to participate in our virtual door prize drawing, please send an email to jeanrichter@berkeley.edu or call (510) 864-7962 to enter - let us know three or four varieties you're particularly interested in. All iris pictured in the bulletin are door prizes!

Instructions for how to enter our virtual show are on the next page - take pictures of your iris as they bloom (both stalk and flower)! Entry period is now until June 15.



President's Message:

I hope you can join us for this Friday's meeting - please feel free to pass along the Zoom link to anyone who might be interested.

Please participate in our virtual show - we have expanded the entry period from now until June 15. Anyone can enter, and you don't need to cut your stalks - photographs of the iris in situ are fine. Our show is now AIS sanctioned, so you can win AIS virtual ribbons, virtual rosettes, and real medals!

We recently learned that longtime SBMIS member Bob Canning passed away last month. Our condolences go out to his family.

Take care and stay safe. ~ Jean

2024 SBMIS Meeting dates

May 23 TBA

June 27 TBA

July 25 rhizome auction & sale

August 22 Riley Probst, topic TBA

September BBQ TBA

October 24 beardless auction & sale

Virtual show entries: Send in two pictures (one of flower, one of stalk) for each entry. Entry period is now - June 15.

Entries can be sent by email to jeanrichter@berkeley.edu, by text to (510) 205-4033, or via regular mail to: Jean Richter, 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501.

Entries will be judged in late June, and the entrant who wins best in show will receive a \$50 gift certificate to the iris grower of their choice!

Doorprize iris!

(top) **Thorn** (Schreiners 2021)

(left middle) **Sir Lines Alot** (Tyson 2022)

(right middle) **Jimmy's Jam** (Schreiners 2024)

(below) **Barely Blushed** (M. Sutton 2022)

also iris on front, next, and end pages!



Doorprize iris!

(left top) **Martian Sunset** (Kelly 2021)

(right top) **Romany Rogue** (Remare by Keppel 2024)

(left below) **Object of Affection** (M. Sutton 2023)

(right below) **New Mexico Sky** (Dash 2022)



Protect the earth
SBMIS Newsletter -- Jean Richter
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501
below: Gulfport (Schreiners 2022)



If you see **old iris stuff which is about to be tossed**, please contact 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



above: **Sunrise Elegy** (Schreiners 2012)

CALL A FRIEND!
A Sydney B Tradition!
We have members who for various reasons find it difficult or impossible to come to in-person meetings. This could become a new SBM tradition -- get in touch with someone you haven't seen in a while. Makes everyone happy!