



Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society

Friday,
May 27th, 2016
7:30 p.m.
*The Life and Iris of
William Mohr*
~ Bonnie Petheram

(above): Los Angeles (Mohr-Mitchell 1927)

photo: Gesine Lohr



Friday, May 27th, 2016

*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 -- **Bonnie Petheram** will present a slideshow about local hybridizer, William Mohr, who collaborated with Sydney B. Mitchell.

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

right: Purissima (Mohr-Mitchell 1927)

photo: Gesine Lohr



Doorprize iris!



left top: Painted Shadows (Keppel 2015)

left middle: Down to the Wire (Ghio 2015)

right top: Warrior Prince (Tasco r. 2015)

right middle: Planet Hollywood (L. Painter 2013)

right bottom: Cherokee Blaze (J. Painter 2013)

[photos from hybridizers' websites]

President's Message

I hope you all had an enjoyable bloom season - at our home we had noticeably more bloom this year, most likely due to the larger amount of rain. We had a good sale at the old rose show, and made some additional money for the club.

I hope to see you at our May meeting this Friday, where Bonnie Petheram will give a talk on important local iris hybridizer William Mohr.

~ Jean Richter

*right: San Francisco (Mohr 1927)
photo: Gesine Lohr*



2016 Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society Calendar ~ All meetings are at the Garden Center, **except for January potluck/judges' training, July sidewalk sale and September potluck.**

May 23-28 AIS convention

May 27 7:30 pm Bonnie Petheram ~ The Life and Iris of William Mohr

June 24 7:30 pm Riley Probst: AIS Convention

July 22 7:30-9:30 Bearded iris sale & auction

August 26 7:30 pm Gesine Lohr on Old Iris

Sept. date TBA Potluck

Oct 28 7:30-9:30 pm Beardless iris auction & sale



*photo: California Gold (Mohr-Mitchell 1933)
photo: Gesine Lohr*

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 2016 **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: Sacramento (Mohr-Mitchell 1929) photo: Gesine Lohr



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

*right: Conquistador (Mohr 1923)
photo: Gesine Lohr*

