

# Sydney B. Mitchell Iris Society



Friday, May 27, 2011  
8:00 p.m.

*Comparing Historic Iris*  
a slideshow  
by Gesine Lohr

above: Comparing historic iris blooms



Friday, May 27th, 2011

is the date of our next meeting at  
Lakeside Park Garden Center  
666 Bellevue Avenue, Oakland  
Doors open at 7:30 p.m.,

Meeting at 8:00 p.m. Program after brief business. Meetings are free &  
open to the public, all are eligible for door prizes.



PROGRAM: Gesine Lohr will present a slideshow on 'Comparing Historic Iris',  
including some new photos from 2011 bloom season.

REFRESHMENTS: Please bring some refreshments to share if you can.

TROPHIES! from this year's Show will be available for pickup at this meeting.

**Queen of Show:** Eileen Roark

**Best Tall Bearded:** Eileen Roark

**Best Pacific Coast Iris:** "Rodeo Gulch" Garry Knipe

**Best Beardless:** "Rodeo Gulch" Garry Knipe

**Best Bearded Other Than Tall:** Bob & Janet Canning

**Best Historic:** "Los Angeles" Bob & Janet Canning

**Best Seedling:** Ryan & Giana Grisso

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## Doorprize Iris!

**Call Me Reba** (Mark Grumbine 2009) TB,  
34" (86 cm), EM

S. white heavily infused medium pink exterior,  
inside center rib has orange cast; F. medium  
pink, bluish cast blending to pinkish white  
on edges, maroon veins on shoulders, heavily  
ruffled; beards pale orange, bright orange-red  
in throat; lacy; slight spicy fragrance.



**Fancy Lover** (Meininger 2010)

**Greatest Show On Earth** (F. Kerr 2010)  
(*above right*) TB 36"; 29" M. S. ruffled  
melon orange and style crests; F. velvet black  
fall; Beards white zone pattern around melon  
beard tipped tangerine. Reddish black lines  
radiate through the zone.



**Judy Nunn** (F. Kerr 2010) (*right middle*)  
TB 35" M. S. pink with a hint of orange; F.  
pinkish orange, darker orange at the hafts,  
violet lines from beard to within 1/2" of the  
edge of the Falls. Beards coral tangerine.

**Marching Orders** (Ghio 2010) (*right bottom*)  
37", L. S. rusty mahogany. F. bright violet  
with mahogany edges. Brass shoulders and  
style arms. Beards bright gold.



# 2011 Sydney B. Mitchell show!



above: First time entering!!



above: A master at work





*below: Gary Knipe with trophies  
left: Bob Canning with trophy*



**American Iris Society (AIS) Dues can be mailed**

**to** Tom Gormley - AIS Membership Secretary  
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DeLeon Springs, FL 32130  
Phone and fax: 386-277-2057  
E-mail: [aismemsec@irises.org](mailto:aismemsec@irises.org)  
\$25.00 single, \$30.00 dual.  
See [www.irises.org/](http://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](http://www.aislookup.org)

Please pay your 2011 **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: [judy@msinter.net](mailto:judy@msinter.net)  
\$10.00 single annual, \$12.00 dual annual.  
[www.hips-roots.com](http://www.hips-roots.com)

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][at shows we'll give you \$2 rebate on iris purchases, when you show us toll stub]

**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://triplanner.transit.511.org>  
By phone -- Dial 511 and say, "AC Transit," to speak with a person about route info

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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



*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!*

above: Sometimes editors can't get no respect!

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Climate change is here—you know what to do  
SBMIS Newsletter -- Gesine Lohr  
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501

below: We all pitched in to do potluck-catering!

