

Sydney B. Mitchell

Iris Society



(above): Just for Ken (Tasco 2022)
photo: Rick Tasco

Virtual Iris Show!

No cutting of stalks needed!
See below for how to enter the show!

To enter the virtual show, please send pictures of your iris (both a flower shot and a stalk shot) to Jean Richter. You can email pictures to jeanrichter@berkeley.edu, text pictures to (510) 205-4033, or send them via U.S. mail to 1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501.

Please send your pictures in by 11:59 p.m. on Sunday, June 15.
The show will be on the SBMIS web site: www.bayareairis.org

If an iris variety could be considered in multiple categories (for example, "Unicorn" could be entered in tall bearded, historic, or space age), please indicate which section you'd like it to be entered into. In addition to the usual iris sections, we will also have a section for un-named iris, so feel free to send in those as well!

Judges will choose a best iris in show. The winner of best in show will receive a \$50 gift certificate to the iris grower of their choice.

All are welcome to enter iris -- not just SBMIS members. If you have iris that bloom after June 15, Mt. Diablo Iris Society is also having a virtual show, and is accepting entrants up to August 31. Email MtDiabloIris@gmail.com for more information.

Here are the sections for the show:

Miniature Dwarf Bearded
Standard Dwarf Bearded
Intermediate Bearded
Miniature Tall Bearded
Border Bearded
Tall Bearded
Space Age
Novelty
Rebloomer
Aril or Arilbred
Californicae (Pacific Coast Iris)

Japanese
Louisiana
Siberian
Spuria
Historic Iris (introduced in 1995 or earlier)
Species or Species Hybrids
Miscellaneous (any type of iris not listed above)
Seedlings
Artistic Arrangements
Mystery Iris (un-named)



Vaguely Noble (Filardi 2022)

photo: Bruce Filardi

President's Message

I hope all of you are well and staying safe.

We will be having a virtual show again this year. If you would like to enter your iris in the virtual show, please see the instructions elsewhere in the newsletter or on the SBMIS web site. This will be an accredited show, so entrants can win AIS ribbons and awards. We will also have a prize for best iris in show.

All iris pictured in this newsletter are door prizes - please contact me with a list of three or four varieties you would be interested in getting if you wish to participate in the door prize drawing.

We will be selling potted bearded iris online this spring - please contact me for the list of available varieties if you are interested in supporting the club by purchasing some.

Take care and stay safe,

Jean

photos of doorprize iris:

left: Sorano (M. Sutton 2022)

middle: Seward (Schreiners 2022)

right: Butterscotch Latte (M. Sutton 2022)



Doorprize iris!

(right top) **Paradise Valley** (Schreiners 2022)

(left middle) **Aubrianna** (Tyson 2024)

(right middle) **Italian Summer** (Dash 2022)

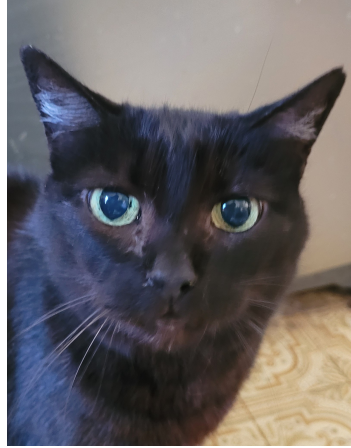
(right below) **Cordoban Leather** (M. Sutton 2022)

(left below) **Summerzcool** (Schreiners 2024)



Care for the earth
SBMIS Newsletter -- Jean Richter
1226 High Street, Alameda, CA 94501

Marie asks if you are living the life you should



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

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A New Sydney B Tradition!
Even if you are social distancing,
don't socially isolate! Make contact -
videoconference (if you have the
technology), phone a friend, talk to
your neighbor from the porch, or just
write a letter. Makes everyone
happy!