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WELCOME

Welcome to Sun Country Iris Society's 33rd Spring Iris Show! This year's theme is A Walk In The Sun. Our horticulture, artistic divisions and collection entries will enlighten you to the many varieties and types of iris that thrive in our desert climate. We hope you will enjoy the artistic interpretations of our flower arrangements

This competition is open to the public. Our thanks go to Crowne Plaza Hotel & Resort management for all their hospitality and support. We are pleased to present this show to the AIS Region 15 members, the patrons of Crowne Plaza and the public.

Patrick Orr, 2003 Show Chairman

To learn more about Sun Country Iris Society, you are welcome to join us at one of our monthly meetings, which are held on the first Tuesday of each month, 7:00 PM at:

The Valley Garden Center 1809 North 15th Avenue Phoenix, Arizona

For more information, please log on to www.suncountryiris.org or call Al Sturgeon (602) 993-9253

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Free exhibit to the public on Saturday, 6:00 pm - 9:00 pm Sunday, 9:00 AM - 3:00 pm

This is an American Iris Society–sanctioned show, conducted according to AIS rules and regulations, and judged according to AIS rules.

The Show Committee will endeavor to protect all exhibits, but cannot be responsible for the loss of or damage to the exhibitor's property.

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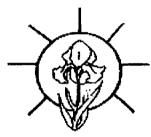
SHOW COMMITTEE

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GENERAL SHOW RULES

The Sun Country Iris Society Show Awards Banquet will be May 6, 2003 at the

Valley Garden Center 1809 North 15th Avenue Phoenix, Arizona



SUN COUNTRY IRIS SOCIETY OFFICERS - 2003

President:	LynnAlison Martin	
Vice President:	Jeannie Comeaux	
Secretary:	Lorna Corlett	
Treasurer:	Al Sturgeon	
Director:	Ardi Kary	
Director:	Joyce Poling	
Director:	Avery Poling	

General Rules apply to all divisions. For specific information pertaining to your entry, see *Special Rules* for that division.

- 1. Exhibition privileges are open to all persons without charge.
- 2. Entries accepted 2:00 PM 4:30 PM, April 12, 2003. Late entries accepted for display only.
 - 3. Entries must be clearly, correctly, and completely identified and entered in the proper division, section and group/class, to be judged.
 - 4. No judge or designated apprentice judge may judge in a section where the judge or a member of the judge's family has an entry.
 - 5. Judging will begin at 5:00 PM, April 12, 2003. Only judges, designated apprentices, show chairpersons, and clerks are permitted in the exhibition area during judging.
 - 6. Judging will be done in accordance to AIS rules. Any award may be withheld at the judges' discretion. Decisions of the judges are final.
 - 7. Official AIS rules and regulations cannot be violated.
 - 8. Exhibits and ribbons must remain on display until 4:00 PM, April 13, 2003. All entries must be removed by 5:00 PM on that date.

AIS Entry Tags, Exhibitor Numbers and Forms will be available at the April 1st Sun Country Iris Society general meeting and at the show location from 2:00-4:30 pm.

Please print in blue or black ink only. Complete both portions of each tag following the Show Schedule outline.

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Group refers to horticultural entries.

Class refers to artistic entries.

Variety refers to the name of the iris or the title of an artistic entry.

Entry No. is the Exhibitor Number assigned by Show Secretary.

DIVISION I - HORTICULTURE

While the Scale of Points varies for each section, all sections are scored 75 points for cultural perfection (flower and stalk) and 25 points for condition and grooming.

SPECIAL RULES

- 1. Entries must have been grown and entered in person by the exhibitor.
- 2. Entries placed on the show bench will be judged as groomed by the exhibitor.
- Exhibitors may enter only one stalk of any particular variety, but may enter as many varieties as desired. (Collections are excepted; see Section J.)
- 4. Display containers will be furnished by the Show Committee.
- 5. Single specimen entries will be placed in alphabetical order of variety name within sections/groups. Each variety (cultivar) is a separate class for judging.
- 6. Faded stalks may be groomed or removed by the Show Committee or the exhibitor anytime after the judging is completed.

Section A - TALL BEARDED

- Section B ARIL AND ARILBRED Group 1 - Aril Group 2 - Arilbred Group 3 - Aril-med
- Section C MEDIAN AND DWARF Group 1 - Border Bearded Group 2 - Miniature Tall Bearded Group 3 - Intermediate Bearded Group 4 - Standard Dwarf Bearded Group 5 - Miniature Dwarf Bearded

Section D - SPURIA

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Section E - LOUISIANA

Section F - SIBERIAN

Section G - HISTORIC IRISES (introduced prior to 1973)

Section H* - BULBOUS (Eligible for limited AIS awards)

Section I* - RELATED GENERA (Not eligible for AIS awards)

Section J* - MISCELLANEOUS (Any iris not listed above.)

*Single blossom classes may not have award ribbons counted for Silver and Bronze Medal/Certificates and are not eligible for the *Best Specimen of Show* Award.

Section K - COLLECTIONS (Three (3) stalks.) Exhibitors may enter more than one collection in each group, but each collection must be a different type; for example: Tall Bearded, Spuria, Louisiana.

Group 1 - Same type, same variety Group 2 - Same type, 3 different varieties

Sections H through K

Sections or groups for bulbous irises and collections are eligible to receive award ribbons, special section awards and section rosettes. Award ribbons are included in the tally for Silver and Bronze Medal/Certificates although these entries are not eligible for the *Best Specimen of Show* Award

DIVISION II - SEEDLINGS

Any type of iris not introduced into commerce. It must be entered under seedling number or registered name and must be made in the name of the originator (hybridizer). To indicate type of seedling on the entry tag, use Section/ Group as outlined in Division I.

DIVISION III - ARTISTIC DESIGN

SPECIAL RULES

- 1. Arrangements must be the work of the exhibitor, but the plant material need not have been grown by the exhibitor.
- 2. Exhibitors are limited to one entry in each class.
- 3. Iris must be used in all arrangements and must be the predominating feature. Iris of any type may be used, unless specified. Though not required, iris used may be identified on a separate card.
- 4. Dried or treated natural plant material is acceptable, but fresh material must predominate. No painted fresh material or artificial plant material is permitted.
- 5. No background boards may be used except in Section A. Backboards will be furnished by the Show Committee.

- 6. Interpretive accessories may be used, but must be subordinate. Use is required only if specified.
- 7. Containers should be marked on the underside with owner's name and address.
- 8. Exhibitors are responsible for maintaining arrangements in fresh, groomed condition after judging is completed and for removing exhibits promptly at the close of the show.
- 9. The use of any part(s) of plants on the state conservation list, plants that are illegal in the State of Arizona, and plants that are poisonous is strictly prohibited. When in doubt, leave it out.

The Show Committee will endeavor to protect all exhibits but cannot be responsible for the loss of or damage to the exhibitor's property.

THEME

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Just as one looks forward to a bloom season, we look forward to our iris show each spring. This year our artistic division features an array of irises interpreting

A Walk in the Sun

Section A - Must be reserved, 8 entries only. Off-white backboards (32" high, 24" wide with two 12" wings) will be furnished. For reservations, call: Joyce at 623-815-3503

no later than April 1, 2003

Class 1 - High Noon

A tall arrangement, not to exceed 30" in height. The backboard may be draped. Section B - Sun Country Iris Society members only; for NOVICES (no first place ribbons won in previous shows)

Class 1 - Sunrise

Arrangement using a single iris stalk as the predominant feature and fresh foliage; interpretive accessories may be used

Section C - Open to all

Class 1 - Sunbeams Creative use of mirror(s) and/or visible water

Class 2 - Sunset A centerpiece of the dinner table emphasizing sunset colors

Section D - Open only to those with professional flower arrangement and design experience or formal training

Class 1 - Sunburst Free interpretation

DIVISION IV - YOUTH ENTRIES

All General and Special Rules apply.

Youth is defined as under 19 years of age. Entries will be judged in two age groups:

Y1 - Under 12 years Y2 - 12 through 18 years

Mark your entry tag in the upper left corner to indicate your age group.

Section A - HORTICULTURE Class 1 - Tall Bearded Class 2 - Any other iris Section B - ARTISTIC DESIGN

Class 1 - Solar Flare Open interpretation

DIVISION V - EDUCATION

All exhibits must be related to irises, iris culture or hybridizing. Horticultural materials, if used, need not have been grown by the exhibitor. Space must be reserved by April 1, 2003. For reservations, contact:

> Patrick Orr at (602) 570-1718 or at irisdude@msn.com

The AIS Bronze Medal Certificate may be awarded to the exhibitor of an educational exhibit found to be of outstanding merit by the judges of the show.

DIVISION VI - COMMERCIAL DISPLAYS

Commercial displays are welcome. Please RSVP by April 1, 2003, so we may accommodate your needs. Please notify:

Patrick Orr at (602) 570-1718 or at irisdude@msn.com

Due to limitations, only one table per commercial exhibitor can be provided. Sun Country Iris Society Show Committee will determine if an exhibitor is to be given commercial status. Displays are not judged; however, commercial displays will be recognized by an AIS Bronze Medal Certificate.

AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY EXHIBITION AWARDS

AIS RIBBONS for first, second, third place, and honorable mention will be awarded in each cultivar/class as merited. AIS ROSETTES will be awarded for:

Horticulture Division: Best Specimen in each Section Best Specimen of Show Sweepstakes (most blue ribbons)

Seedling Division: Best Seedling of Show

Artistic Division: Best Design of Show Sweepstakes

Youth Division:

Best Specimen Horticultural Sweepstakes Best Design Artistic Sweepstakes

AIS SILVER MEDAL and Certificate - awarded to the winner of the most first place ribbons in the Horticulture Division

AIS BRONZE MEDAL and certificate - awarded to the winner of the second most first place ribbons in the Horticulture Division

AIS SECTION CERTIFICATES will be awarded to the winner of the most first place ribbons in each Horticulture Section, provided there are at least three exhibitors and competition in at least five varieties (cultivars).

AIS EXHIBITION CERTIFICATE is automatically awarded by the panel of judges for the Best Seedling of Show.

In the event of a tie for Sweepstakes for either Medal or Section Certificates, second place, then third place, then honorable mention ribbons will be counted. Rosettes are not considered in the case of a tie.

SUN COUNTRY IRIS SOCIETY AWARDS

The following winners will also receive a PREMIUM AWARD of a new or recently introduced rhizome or other gardening-related product. Those people and organizations contributing awards will be recognized at the May 6, 2003, meeting of Sun Country Iris Society.

Sun Country Iris Society will present AWARDS to exhibitors for:

Horticulture Division: Best Tall Bearded Best Aril/Arilbred Best Median/Dwarf Best Spuria - In Memory of Betty Wickenkamp Best Louisiana Best Siberian Best Siberian Best Bulbous Best Miscellaneous Best Collection Best Specimen of Show Sweepstakes Sweepstakes Runner-up Best Black Tall Bearded - In Memory of Gloria Beatty

Seedling Division: Best Seedling of Show

Artistic Division: Best Design of Show Sweepstakes

Youth Division: Best Specimen Horticultural Sweepstakes Best Design Artistic Sweepstakes

SUN COUNTRY IRIS SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

PREMIUM CONTRIBUTORS

Sun Country Iris Society sincerely appreciates the generosity of the hybridizers, commercial iris gardens, and other businesses which contributed our show awards. We hope you will remember them for your gardening needs and when purchasing your new iris rhizomes this year. Those people and organizations contributing awards will be recognized at the Awards Banquet and presentation of Sun Country Iris Society on May 6, 2003.

GIFT CERTIFICATES

Three commercial gardens are members of Sun Country Iris Society. Each is donating a gift certificate of at least \$40.00 to be awarded based on random drawing. Each entry in Horticulture Division, Sections A through F and J, and in the Youth Division, Section A, entitles the exhibitor to one chance in the drawing.

Thus, the more horticultural entries made, the greater the chances an exhibitor has of winning a commercial garden gift certificate. We thank the following contributors:

> Golden Iris Gardens 4564 E. Robin Drive Prescott, AZ 86301-5818 928-445-0503 barrygolden@hotmail.com

Kary Iris Gardens 6201 East Calle Rosa Scottsdale, AZ 85251-4224 480-949-0253 ArdiKary@aol.com

Superstition Iris Gardens 2536 Old Highway Cathey's Valley, CA 95306-9738 209-966-6277 randrcv@sierratel.com Membership in Sun Country Iris Society is open to everyone interested in growing irises, from the home gardener to those with specialized interests. Our meetings are friendly and informative. Our members enjoy learning and sharing their knowledge. Primarily, we serve central and northern Arizona. Sun Country Iris Society was formed in 1969 to promote the culture of irises in our area. We are affiliated with the American Iris Society, founded in 1920. Benefits of membership include monthly garden-related programs and an iris education segment, monthly newsletter with growing tips, door prizes and refreshments, projects and activities valley-wide, annual rhizome sale, annual iris show and competition, and credit union membership (at your option).

Sun Country Iris Society dues for the 2003 year are \$15 individual, \$20 family, and \$5 youth. Forward your Sun Country Iris Society dues to:

Al Sturgeon, 2940 W. Hartford Drive, Phoenix, AZ, 85053 Our web site is at *www.suncountryiris.org*

AMERICAN IRIS SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP

The American Iris Society (AIS) creates and maintains the register of iris, qualified judges, and competition standards for shows such as this one. AIS membership is separate from Sun Country Iris Society membership. Benefits of membership include a quarterly color bulletin with topics of interest to iris enthusiasts. Special section memberships are also available in AIS for those wishing information on spuria, louisiana, species, historic, reblooming and other specialized iris types.

Annual membership is \$20 per year for individual and \$25 for dual. You can save money by joining for three years (triennial) at \$43 for individual and \$54 for dual. Forward your AIS dues to:

> Mary Brown, POB 2968, Baltimore, MD, 21229 (410) 233-8069, aismemsec@earthlink.net The AIS web site is at *www.irises.org*