

Iris Show Rules

Division I - Horticulture (open - one stalk per entry unless otherwise described)

Sub Sections:

- A. Iris Species
 - B. Species/Crosses
 - C. Miniature Dwarf Bearded
 - D. Standard Dwarf Bearded
 - E. Intermediate Bearded
 - F. Border Bearded
 - G. Miniature Tall Bearded
 - H. Tall Bearded
 - I. Siberian
 - J. Pure Aril
 - K. Aril Bred
 - L. Spuria
 - M. Louisiana
 - N. Japanese
 - O. Historical (30 years since introduction)
 - P. Any other Iris
 - Q. Bulbous
 - R. 3 stalks - 3 containers
 - S. 5 different cultivars
- (Q, R and S are not eligible for best specimen)

Division II - Seedling (any type)

Identify seedling by numbers or letters and name of person entering

Division III - Youth (open to youth)

Sections same as Division I

Division IV - Educational Displays

Reserve space with show chairman

Potted iris welcomed but not judged

Unidentified Iris (Noids) welcomed but not judged

Show Rules

1. Entries open to everyone who grows iris. Limited to one entry per variety (class). Entries must be correctly identified and entered in proper division and class.

2. Entries must be entered between 8-10AM. Containers are provided. Late entries are not judged.
3. Exhibitors must register name and address with show clerk.
4. Exhibits must be grown and entered by the exhibitor whose name appears on the show tag.
5. Adult members of a family must enter as one exhibitor in all divisions. Youth members may enter as individuals in youth division only.
6. Youth members must not have reached the age of 19 at showtime.
7. All tags and containers will be furnished for all exhibits.
8. The show is being held by, and judged under the rules and regulations of the American Iris Society.
9. Official rules cannot be violated.
10. Only judges and clerks should be present during judging.
11. Exhibitors are requested to remove all unused materials and containers from the show area.
12. At the close of the show (5PM) exhibitors must claim their own exhibits and ribbons. Plant material not claimed will be disposed of at the chairperson's discretion.
13. Seedlings must be entered by number or registered name.
14. On items not covered by these rules, the chairperson's decision is final.

Awards

1. One first, second and third place ribbons may be awarded to each cultivar (variety) except seedlings, if appropriate in the opinion of the judges.
2. Exhibition certificates and best seedling show rosette will be awarded to the best seedling of the show. Additional certificates may be awarded to any seedlings that receive 5 or more notes from attending judges.
3. Section rosettes will be awarded if worthy meeting minimum requirements.
4. The best specimen is chosen from all competitive single specimens except seedlings and bulbous varieties. Best receives a best specimen or queen of show rosette and certificate.
5. The American Iris Society Silver Medal and certificate will be awarded to the exhibitor for the largest number of blue ribbons in Horticulture. (Red and white ribbons break ties)

6. The American Iris Society Bronze Medal will be awarded to the exhibitor for the second number of blue ribbons. (Red and white medals break ties)
7. Youth division must contain at least 10 entries and at least two exhibitors to qualify for AIS youth silver and bronze medals and certificates.
8. Awards will be presented at ISM Awards Banquet.
9. Special Awards (3) are given to the person who wins: a) Best Specimen Award in honor of Lois Seeden, b) Best Yellow Award in honor of Sunny Worel and c) Best Median Award in honor of Gus Sind. These trophies must be returned to ISM show chairperson prior to the following years
10. Sections added for bulbous iris, collections, container grown iris, single blossoms and English boxes are eligible for award ribbons.
11. All horticultural divisions entries, that are judged, are eligible to be included in count for most blue ribbons which are used to award the silver and bronze medals.

All horticultural judging will be done by AIS judges. The judge's chairperson will be responsible for inviting all ISM judges. The judge chairperson shall assign judges for judging, provide seedling ballots, collect them and make all decisions regarding judging. Judges shall refrain from judging their own or their family member entries.

Court of Honor

The Court of Honor shall include: Best Design of Show, Best Youth Design, Best Horticulture Specimen, Section Champions, and if merited, other special awards as listed. All Court of Honors exhibits should be excellent (90 points or more). All judges should vote by secret ballot.

Educational Displays

1. Entries open to all. Reserve space with show chairperson.
2. Display should educate the public and inform the public about ISM and AIS.
3. 1st, 2nd or third place ribbons may be awarded if appropriate.
4. A Bronze Medal Certificate for education exhibits will be awarded to an outstanding educational display.

Division V - Commercial Displays

Commercial displays shall be approved by the AIS show committee. While AIS has never had commercial displays other than brochures, they are invited and ribbons and bronze medal/certificates are available.

Division VI - Artistic Displays

Entries are open to all including youth (youth separate with two or more). Iris flowers must be the dominant flower and displayers used their own vases or other props to hold their display. Exhibitors must pick up their displays at the end of the show. AIS judges shall pick best design and artistic sweepstakes. Best design and artistic sweepstake rosette shall be awarded. Please read other display rules.

Artistic points for judging artistic displays:

- confirmation to schedule. 10
- design. 35
- creative expression. 20
- color. 20
- distinction 15

The Iris Society of Minnesota will take reasonable care but will not be held responsible for loss or damage to person or property during or after the show.