



Waco Iris Society News

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It's Show Time! Saturday April 9, 1-4 p.m.



The Waco Iris Society is hosting its Annual Iris Show Saturday, April 9, 2016. Public viewing and iris sale will be from 1-4 p.m. Members should have their horticulture irises in place by 9:45 a.m. If you did not receive a show schedule, you may download a copy here: <http://www.kenfuchs42.net/Waco/Waco%20Iris%20Society%20Show%20Schedule%202016.pdf>. Copies and entry tags will be available Friday evening during set-up.

The show will be held at the **Holiday Inn Hotel & Suites Northwest**, 1801 Development Blvd., which is off of I-35, on the north side of Waco. Exit Lake Shore (Loop 340) and take the east Service Road to Development Blvd. (it is behind Home Depot). We will begin set-up Friday afternoon at 4:00 p.m. You may bring your Artistic Designs at that time as well as any iris you have for sale. If you are bringing irises for the sale, please e-mail or call your list to Peggy so we will have photos of all the irises. Remember—Photos Sell Irises!

For those of you who were present for Al Elliott's presentation on English Boxes and want to give it a try, remember to read and follow the

show schedule for size and material to use.

Any irises which are not sold during the show may be taken to the Gardener's Gathering on Sunday, April 10 from 1-4. This is located at the **Carleen Bright Arboretum**, 9001 Bosque Blvd. in Woodway. We will need members to help with the sale. Set-up will be 10-11. In case of rain, the sale will be moved to the **Pavilion**, 1 Pavilion Way.

We need more members to do Artistic Designs. Here is the list of openings and who has signed up for what:

Class 1-*Precious Pets*

1. Peggy Cathey
2. Dan Cathey
3. _____
4. _____

Class 2-*Birds of a Feather*

1. Bill Calhoon
2. Ken Anderson
3. Peggy Cathey
4. _____

Class 3-*Wild and Wonderful* (novice, never won a blue ribbon)

1. Frances Peterson
2. _____
3. _____
4. _____

Class 4: *Creatures of the Sea*

1. Jean Richardson
2. Bill Calhoon
3. Peggy Cathey
4. _____

As you can see, we still need to fill 7 spots. Please call Ken Anderson and tell him which one you would like to do.

2016 Spring Show By Ken Anderson

It was great to see many of our members present at our last meeting and to meet new members. I want to encourage all the new members to continue to come to our meetings and absolutely be present for our show on Saturday, April 9, 2016. Even if you do not have entries in the show, please try to attend our show anyway, especially if you have not been to one before. I know you will enjoy seeing such a variety of iris and the artistic dis-



AIS Membership March Winner



Bill Calhoon

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Meetings held 3rd Saturday of
January, March, May, September
and November at 10 a.m.

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MARK THESE DATES

-  April 9, 2016, 10:00
WIS Iris Show
Holiday Inn & Suites, Waco Northwest
1801 N Development Blvd, Waco
-  April 10, 2016 1-4
Gardeners Gathering
Carleen Bright Arboretum
-  May 21, 2016 11:00
WIS Year End Luncheon
Vegas Chinese Buffet
505 N. Valley Mills, Waco
-  August 19-20, 2016
AIS Region 17 Convention
Hampton Inn South, Waco, TX
-  Sept. 17, 2016, 10:00
WIS Meeting—Iris Giveaway, Exchange & Auction
Crestview Church of Christ Community Center



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2016 Iris Show (cont.)

plays.

It is always exciting to find that first bloom of the season and then the next one. Unfortunately, many varieties started blooming a couple of weeks ago and will have finished their cycle before the show. I have heard other club members make similar comments. However, I am encouraged by what I saw today. I have a number of varieties that are in their second season of growth in my yard. Several them show promise of having some blooms by show time. I am hoping that many members are finding the same to be true in your gardens. I am sure we will have enough blooming to have a good show. Please remember our purpose in having the show. We

want to provide something that the public will enjoy seeing, to encourage others to become interested in growing iris, and hopefully meet new people that will want to join our club. Keep in mind that this show could be someone's first experience at an iris show. With that being said, I encourage all our members to cut and bring as many entries as you care to bring. Remember, it does not have to be perfect to be appreciated!

I am hoping we will be able to fill all of our artistic display slots. As of today we still have some open but some members are supposed to call me to sign up for a display. If you have considered making an artistic design but just did not take the opportunity to

sign up at the meeting, please call me and I will put your name in where we need more entries. My number is 254-223-3161.

Also, remember to be getting your potted iris ready for the sale. You should bring those to the hotel on Friday afternoon. I plan to be there by 4:00 p.m. Also, if you are providing a design for the artistic division, spaces will have been designated by that time so you will know where to set up your display. I am looking forward to a great show. So now...

