



IRIS AUSTIN

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an Affiliated Society of the American Iris Society in Region 17 (Texas)

<https://www.irises.org/>

www.aisregion17.org

submittals to the newsletter should be emailed ASAP



Next Event

Iris Sale

Setup: Friday, September 11, 2026
1-5pm at the Auditorium

Sale: Saturday, September 12, 2026
9am-3:30pm at the Auditorium

Zilker Botanical Garden Center
2220 Barton Springs Rd
Austin TX 78746

<http://www.zilker garden.org/>

Next Meeting

Sunday, September 20, 2026,
1pm-3pm meeting/program
at the Auditorium

Zilker Botanical Garden Center
2220 Barton Springs Rd
Austin TX 78746

<http://www.zilker garden.org/>



2027 AIS Convention - Oklahoma City

<https://www.ais2027convention.org/>

April 27- May 1
Registration opened
5/23/2026

Convention hotel: Embassy
Suites OKC Northwest

ISA 2026 Iris Rhizomes Sale in September

The Iris Society of Austin (ISA) rhizome sale will be held 9/12/26. As the sale chair, Tracey will be sending information regarding rhizome clean up and pricing so that members can prepare their own rhizomes before bringing them for the ISA sale.

The sale will start Saturday 9/12/26 at 9am. ISA is scheduled for sale setup at Zilker on Friday 9/11/26 from 1pm to 5pm. For those members that cannot make it to Zilker for setup, you may bring your clean, groomed, labeled, & priced rhizomes on Saturday morning, before the sale begins.

2026-2027 ISA Officers

President - Tracey Rogers

VP Programming - Audrey Baker

VP Membership - Ellen Singleton

Secretary - Dara Smith

Treasurer - Donna Little

Shirley Smith - AAGC representative

Tall bearded iris
'August Celebration'
(Linda Mann, R. 2019) (right)
photo via AIS wiki



Carolyn's potted Irises
submitted by Tracey Rogers

Tracey picked up Carolyn Wylie's irises from her place around mid-May. They are in wonderful condition. The list below includes what was available in June. There may be some pots available now. If anyone wants any of them, please let Tracey know. There are 8 pots that are unknown. A few have name tags, but they are pretty faded. She has weeded the pots since providing the photo below.

<i>Violet Harmony</i>	<i>1 pot</i>	<i>Busy Being Blue</i>	<i>1 pot</i>	<i>Walker Ross (AB)</i>	<i>1 pot</i>
<i>Peggy Sue</i>	<i>2 pots</i>	<i>Ida Red</i>	<i>1 pot</i>	<i>Southern Comfort</i>	<i>1 pot</i>
		<i>Demonic</i>	<i>1 pot</i>		



Region 17 Regional Meeting

October 4-5, 2026 in Cleburne TX

submitted by Tracey Rogers

The region 17 meeting is scheduled for October 2026. The registration deadline is September 1st, but rooms are running out fast. There are already at least 50 registered, but the addition of a gift basket drawing for the first 75 registrants is an enticement. For those of you who have never attended, this is a great opportunity to get some free irises as well as bid on them in the silent auction and there is usually a live auction which provides a chance to get some newly introduced irises. The judges training is open to all. You don't have to be a judge and you can learn some tricks on presenting your entries in shows. The region can always use new applicants for judges training. Robert Treadway is an expert on Louisiana irises and Cynthia Wade will probably speak on tall bearded iris along with promoting the 2027 AIS national convention to be held in Oklahoma next year. A copy of the registration form is included at the end of the newsletter.

Notes about **remaining** ISA meeting/show location & time for September 2025 - September 2026
with ***zoom info**

Tracey confirmed Iris Society of Austin (ISA) meetings & sale at Zilker Botanical Garden:

- **Iris Sale Date:**
 - Setup: Friday, September 11, 2026, 1-5pm
 - Sale: Saturday, September 12, 2026, 9am-3:30pm
- Sunday, September 20, 2026, 1-3pm [***Zoom available**]

For Club Members -- ***Join Zoom Meeting:**

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/82096469078?pwd=yBaGnlv9pW8K5iZRbJHaWbmym2bsJ.1>

Meeting ID: 820 9646 9078

Passcode: 051827

One tap mobile – for call in audio only

+13462487799,,82096469078# US (Houston)

Join **instructions**

https://us02web.zoom.us/join/82096469078?signature=6D_Ouh-iZ84IfiL3ITbf0kXsRmNiO-r364yFBol4Rtc

Zilker Garden's regular operating hours are:

- September through May: 9:00 AM – 5:00 PM
- June through August: 8:00 AM – 4:00 PM
- **Admissions close 30 minutes before the Garden closes**



Tall bearded iris 'Power Point' (Thomas Johnson, R. 2005) bloomed at Zilker 6/11/26 (left). This was the second bloom for 'Power Point'.
photo by Tracey Rogers

Intermediate bearded iris 'Low Ho Silver' (Monty Byers, R. 1988) in Tracey's garden 6/9/26 (right)
photo by Tracey Rogers



Tall bearded iris 'Invitation Only' (Vincent Christopherson, R. 2004) bloomed at Zilker 5/28/26 (below)

photo by Tracey Rogers



Tall bearded iris 'Persian Berry' (Larry Gault, R. 1976) in Debbie's garden 5/27/26 (right)
photo by Debbie Hood



Tall bearded iris 'Fully Charged' (Michael Sutton, R. 2022) in Debbie's garden 5/27/26 (right)
photo by Debbie Hood



Tall bearded iris 'August Day' (Robert Piatek, R. 2020) (left)
photo by Robert Piatek via AIS wiki

AI8 Region 17 2026 Meeting "Shades of Elegance"

Cleburne Conference Center, 1501 W. Henderson, Cleburne, TX 76031

October 2-3, 2026

Hosted by the Johnson County Iris & Daylily Society

REGISTRATION FORM

Registration deadline: September 20th 2026

Name _____

(As it will appear on your name tag)

Other names _____

(included with this registration)

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Email _____ Phone _____

Local club _____ Region (of other than 17) _____

Local or Region officer _____

Registration Fee: \$75 per person before Sept. 1, 2026

Youth registration: \$35 before Sept. 1, 2026

AFTER Sept. 1, 2026, \$90. Total amt remitted: \$ _____

Friday dinner, Saturday lunch, and Saturday dinner are included.

Please list any special dietary needs: _____

Mail this form and total amount due (checks should be made out to JCI&DS) to:

Dez Thomas
5 Macan Court
Mansfield, TX 76063
johnsoncountyyids@gmail.com



OR use this payment link: <https://square.link/u/tHmDCbha> OR scan the QR code for other payment options.

Hotel reservations may be made at the Liberty Hotel, 205 S. Caddo St., Cleburne, TX 76031, 817-556-3700. Tell them you are with the Iris Society.

Any room, \$99.00 + Tax. Breakfast is included.