

Located on the Back Porch of the Main Pavilion on Sunday, May 7.

Time Line for the Floral Show

- **8:00 am - 9:30 am** - Floral placements
- **10:00 - 11:45** - Judging of the Iris (*there is no Judging of the Ikebana displays, this is not allowed*)
- **11:45** - Queen's Table (awards table set)
- **12:00 pm – 2:00 pm** - Lunch for the judges (off campus)
Club Members will be manning the show at all times for questions.
- **2:30 - 3:15 Ikebana Class** (inside the Main Pavilion) - "What is Ikebana and the different Schools/Styles" *Conducted by Nana Bellerud, local President.*

A little bit about the Greater Portland Iris Society, and the American Iris Society

Organized on January 24, 1952. Some of the Charter Members were family members of the Schreiners (Schreiner's Iris Farm in Salem, OR) Many of the family are still members. (There is an iris club in most metropolitan areas of the US and Canada, contact info at the web-site.)

The Willamette Valley is considered to be the Mecca of the Iris World; we can grow many different varieties (species) of iris here due to climate and soils. We also have a very large number of iris farms located between Vancouver, Washington and Salem, Oregon. Many of these farms are specialty farms and are "World Renown" not only selling, but breeding varieties and hybrids. You can find a list of the farms and contact information at the Hospitality table during the show. We are also members of the American Iris Society, founded January 29, 1920 in the New York Botanical Gardens, Bronx Park: <http://www.irises.org/>. The American Iris Society is the official registrar for the world of all rhizome iris, with over 250 different species. Their national library is located in Silverton, Oregon. The American Iris Society is actively building an Encyclopedia on the web-site.

Information about judging: The purpose of shows like this one is to educate the public on the different varieties of iris that can be grown in your area (there are a lot more than the mostly grown and known Tall Bearded). We also talk about how to grow iris, and where they can be found. There are iris that grow in the sun, shade, water, desert, and everything in between. A common misconception of the show is that the award is for the flower only. But the ribbon is for the exhibitor's ability to grow, transport, and display as close to a perfect specimen of that variety as possible. In the Seedling side of the show the judges are looking for improvements in flower form, color, and bud count. There will be a flyer at the Hospitality Table with more info - we will be there to answer any questions.

Greater Portland Iris Society Membership & Meeting info: Dues are \$12.00 per year for a household in the Portland Area. Meetings open to the public, you need not be a member, at Ainsworth House and Gardens in Oregon City. Information at the Hospitality Table and on our web-site.