

The American Iris Society 2020 Photo Contest

May 1st to August 1st MIDNIGHT- California Time

The American Iris Society invites you to participate in their Annual Photo Contest. This contest is free and open to everyone, with the exception of contest Judges and the contest coordinator, who are not eligible to enter. The winning photo of each category will be published in the AIS Winter magazine and placed on the AIS web site.

The 2020 winner of each category will receive a 2020 introduction (*within USA only*). The winner's will also receive a single e-membership or annual membership extension to AIS. (Winners who are AIS life members will receive an e-membership or annual membership in an AIS Section of their choice.) Runners-up of each category will receive a 2016 to 2018 introduction (*within the USA only*). International winners will receive digital AIS Memberships.

How to Enter: **NO PRINTS ACCEPTED.**

Completely fill out the entry form designating in which category you are entering your "digital" photos (i.e. Cat3 Margaret Hart with 'Snow Flurry') and use the same for your photo file name. Then e-mail (or snail mail a CD) of your digital high-resolution photos, along with the entry form, to the AIS Photo Contest Coordinator, at the address indicated.

You may submit up to 6 photos total for this contest. They may be all entered in one category or separate categories.

Irises must be the primary subject of the photo and the photos should be of the Genus Iris. The deadline for entries is Midnight, California Time, August 1st-MIDNIGHT-California Time.

Entries will be judged in the following 6 categories:

1. Irises in a landscape or garden. (Show the iris in the garden.)
2. Irises in the wild. (Species iris in the wild, field or planting)
3. Scene at any Iris event.
4. Close up of an iris or irises. (Whole flower is showing)
5. Iris photos- macro (close up of bloom segments.)
6. Photos of people, pets, wildlife or garden art with the irises.

***** youth photographers (under 19) can choose to enter any of the categories as an adult or a youth but not both.**

"High Resolution" digital photos or RAW digital photos are required (i.e. no smaller than 1600x1000 dimensions) with maximum file size of 1.2 MB.

Entries can be emailed (Maximum two photos per email) to **Pilmore22@gmail.com**

"High Resolution" files placed on a CD (double check the photos are there) and mail said CD along with your entry form.) Include name of the variety or person in each photo on the entry form and photo file name, if known.

A panel of 3 - 5 judges will judge the photos received and their decisions will be final.

Where to send:

**The American Iris Society Photo Contest,
c/o Anita Moran 630 Third Street, Aberdeen
Maryland 21001**

E-mail photos & entry form to:

**SUBJECT – AIS Photo Contest
Pilmore22@gmail.com**

Entry Form:

Please designate Category #, photo name(s) and name of persons in photos, if any, to match name on digital file.

- 1 _____
- 2 _____
- 3 _____
- 4 _____
- 5 _____
- 6 _____

***** If this is a youth entry, please tell us your age: _____**

I am the person who took the photograph(s) enclosed, and I have not assigned any of my rights associated with these photographs to any third party. By entering the photo contest I am hereby authorizing The American Iris Society a royalty free, non-exclusive right to use winning photograph(s) and photograph(s) worthy of honorable mention in publications, in brochures, and calendars, on the Internet, and for other promotional uses. (Forms submitted by email do not require actual signature. By filling in the information in this form including the information below, either fully or partially, and submitting the form by email, you grant the American Iris Society the rights specified in the paragraph above).

Check that you agree with the above statement.

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (_____) _____

Receipt of photos will be acknowledged by email.

Send entries and inquiries to: **Pilmore22@gmail.com**

NOTE: Check your email the next 24-48-hours after sending your entries; in case of problems and your response is needed.