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Winter Webinar Series

By

The American Iris Society



Start Time: 5:30 p.m. Pacific, 8:30 p.m. Eastern

Duration: about 1 hour per session

Via: ZOOM

Info: AISwebinars@gmail.com

DETAILS

1. An email invitation to register online will be sent to all AIS members a week before each event. Once you register you will be sent the webinar's link.
2. All webinars will be FREE of charge to all members of AIS, AIS sections, and local iris clubs.
3. Not an AIS member but want to attend? Email us.

Wednesday, December 14

Presented by **Bob Pries**

“How to Create a New Iris”

Aka the story of Species Crosses

Species crosses are hybrids involving more than one species. Species crosses were the foundation of the other current iris classes. This webinar will take a look at the effects species have made on the development of the iris classifications; the progress towards new classifications and the potential for crosses in the future.

About the Presenter

Bob Pries, in his own words, is a “frustrated botanist who gave up academia to make a living.”

Beyond that, however, Bob has used his botanical knowledge and his interest in the *Iridaceae* to create one of the greatest resources available in the horticultural world, the AIS Iris Encyclopedia (aka iris wiki). Bob also built the AIS Ben R. Hager-Sidney P. DuBose Memorial Online Iris Library within the pages of the Iris Encyclopedia. “Bob originated and brought to fruition the International Species Symposium in St. Louis, MO in March 1995.” Bob has also served on the board of several Sections or Cooperating Societies over the years including SIGNA, DIS, and ASI. He has also served as a Director of AIS and on the board of the AIS Foundation.