The American Iris Society
2013 Photo Contest

The American Iris Society invites you to participate in our 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 January Bulletin and on the AIS web site. Prior year's winners and honorable mentions can be viewed on the AIS web site at www.irises.org. The 2013 winner of each category will receive a 2013 introduction (within USA only). The winner of each category will also receive a single annual membership, or 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 2011 or 2012 introduction (within the USA only).

How to Enter:
Fill out the entry form designating in which category you are entering your "digital" photos. No prints please. Then e-mail or send a CD of your digital (jpeg) high resolution photos to the AIS Photo Contest Coordinator, at the address indicated. You may submit up to five (5) photos total for this contest. The deadline for submissions to the 2013 Photo Contest is no later than midnight June 30, 2013. *(NOTE: Any photo submitted that was a winner in a previous year will automatically be disqualified.)*

There must be irises in the photo and irises in the photos should be of the genus Iris. Entries will be judged in the following six (6) categories:

1. Irises in a landscaped garden.
2. Irises in a field or home garden.
3. Events, tours, a person or people (at iris location).
4. Close up of an iris or irises.
5. Iris photos- art effects, macro of bloom segments.
6. Photos of pets, wildlife or garden art with the irises.

*** Any photos taken by a youth photographer (under 19) in any of the six (6) categories will be judged separately from the adult entrants.

"High Resolution" digital photos are required (i.e. no smaller than 1600x1000 in size). *NO PRINTS. (If you only have prints take them to a store to have them digitized in "High Resolution"–"jpeg" files to a CD and mail said CD.)* Emailed digital photos should be sent as a "HIGH RESOLUTION"-'jpeg' file no smaller than 1600x1000. You must title each image file to match the entry form and category given. Include name of the variety or person in each photo on the entry form and photo file name, if known.

A panel of three judges will judge the photos received and their decisions will be final.

Where to send:
The American Iris Society Photo Contest, c/o Janet Smith, P O Box 1585, Coarsegold, CA 93614-1585
Digital: Email jpgs & entry form to **AISPhotoContest@irises.org**

Entry Form:

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

#1 _____

#2 _____

#3 _____

#4 _____

#5 _____

*** 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).

Signature _____

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Email _____

Phone (_____)_____

Receipt of photos will be acknowledged by email. Send inquiries to **AISPhotoContest@irises.org**
If emailing jpeg files, attach your completed form with your entry.

This form may be completed on-line. ***When filling out his form online make sure you save it then attach that saved copy to your email. Otherwise, it will arrive as a blank copy.***