

Request for Guest Irises
2025 Siberian/Species Mini-Convention
Kris Jurik and Lois Girton, Ames, Iowa

Dear Iris Hybridizer,

Spring, 2022

The Society for Siberian Irises and the Species Iris Society of North America have been successfully combining to host a series of "Mini Conventions" since 1993. Private gardeners and the Iowa Arboretum and Gardens will host the Siberian/Species Convention May 23 and 24, 2025. We plan to have two, or possibly three, gardens on tour and are now inviting hybridizers of Siberian, Species or SpecX plants to send recently introduced cultivars or seedlings being evaluated. If possible, 2 to 3 fans for each cultivar would be desirable. We will do our best to provide optimum growing conditions for your irises, but we cannot assume responsibility for or guarantee the health of your plants. At the close of the event your desires in the disposition of your irises will most kindly be regarded.

By August 15th at the latest, please e-mail me at loisgirton@gmail.com with the approximate number of varieties and number of replicates you will be sending so that we can plan enough garden spaces for them.

Please ship guest irises from **September 1 - September 15th, 2022** to:

Lois Girton
2519 Hoover Avenue
Ames, Iowa 50010-4453

The **name of the variety or seedling number** should be clearly marked on each rhizome. In addition, the following information should accompany the plants on a separate packing list: **hybridizer's name, full address, telephone number, name or seedling number, type of iris, height, color, bloom season and year of introduction** (if introduced).

The date of the convention has been selected to coincide with peak or mid Siberian Iris bloom season here in central Iowa so it would be advisable to send only those plants which should be in bloom at that time.

We thank you in advance for considering our request to again help make this event successful.