Request for Guest Irises
2025 AIS Convention in Billings, MT

The Big Sky Iris Club in Billings, Montana is happy to have been selected to host the American Iris Society Convention from June 2 through June 7, 2025. Please observe the following guidelines when sending bearded guest irises, as only officially submitted rhizomes will appear in the AIS convention booklet. **Up to three rhizomes of each median, tall bearded, and aril-bred varieties** will be accepted between **July 10 and August 10, 2023**.

**Please ship plants to:**

Cynthia St. Charles, Guest Iris Chair
303 Sharron Lane
Billings, MT 59105
Email: cynthiastcharles@gmail.com

The package should clearly be marked “AIS GUEST IRIS.” The name of the variety or seedling number should clearly be marked on each plant. In addition, the following information should accompany each variety on a separate packing list:

1. Hybridizer’s name and address
2. Name or seedling number of variety
3. Type of iris
4. Height, color, distinguishing features (photo if possible)
5. Year of introduction if applicable.

The packing list should include the hybridizer’s email address to receive an electronic receipt.

*If the guest seedling is named, it is the responsibility of the hybridizer to notify the guest iris chair no later than January 31, 2025.*

Before the convention, hybridizers will be asked for instructions for disposition of their plants. Named varieties will be disposed of as determined by the convention committee. No rhizomes will be offered for sale on the internet. Seedlings will be destroyed unless requested back by hybridizers. Hybridizers who request return of their plants will be responsible for related expenses.

The convention committee and the owners of the host gardens will strictly adhere to the code of ethics as printed in the AIS Convention Handbook.

The Convention Committee and the host gardens will not be responsible for losses beyond their control. However, hybridizers will be given the opportunity to replace lost plants up to one year prior to the convention.

If you have any questions, please contact Convention Chairs, Delane H. Langton, Jane Tibbs at eagleridgeiris@gmail.com or Tina Muller at tdirisgarden@gmail.com.

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