

Indiana IDIS Newsletter



NEWS



President's message

Greeting Gardening Friends,

What a flurry of activities we've had! The Daylily Show brought many beautiful cultivars with a variety of forms and colors. Despite the oppressive heat, we had some visitors and got some new members. Thanks to Greg and Lezlie for coordinating this, and to all who volunteered and/or displayed flowers! Read their report elsewhere in the newsletter.

The AHS Region 2 meeting followed only three weeks later in Lafayette. Close to 150 folks attended the weekend meeting. Four daylily gardens were on display with opportunities for judge's training. It did rain during part of the afternoon but folks ventured forth anyway. We sold both daylilies and iris at our booth, making slightly more than \$1800 which is a boost to our budget. Thanks to all who helped with the planning, volunteered during the meeting, and donated plants!

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Our speaker this month will be John Kennebrew, from Spacecoast Daylilies, who has been working with Jamie Gossard in Ohio. We will also be distributing the NCAP iris from Mid-America Garden. See the attached list of cultivars that will be available this year.

Our annual plant sale will be coming up on Saturday, August 9 at Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Rd 91N, Avon, IN. We will begin set-up at 8am and then open to the public from 10am-3pm. Members will have a chance for early purchases at 9:45am. If you've been a member for at least the past year, you get a 10% discount on your purchases. Shirley Toney will again be donating cultivars from her garden as she continues to downsize. We'll need lots of help in the early morning to set out all the plants. What clumps might you be able to dig and divide this year? Be sure the plants are trimmed, cleaned, and labeled. We'll hear more about the sale at our August meeting and folks will be able to pick up labels. (Volunteering four hours, or contributing 10 plants, gives you credit toward our NCAP and Registration Refund programs.)

This is also the year for those of us who got NCAP **iris** in 2023 to return them for the August sale. It's also the year to return the beardless NCAP iris from 2022. You are to dig your clump, save a rhizome for yourself, and return the increase for the sale. Please clean, trim, and label them before bringing them to the sale. A list of the NCAP iris and their hosts is attached to this newsletter. The iris are also listed on our website with pictures and descriptions. https://indianadaylilyirissociety.org/NCAP_Iris_2023.html, https://indianadaylilyirissociety.org/NCAP_Iris_2022.html

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The Nominating Committee will be presenting the slate of nominees for 2025 officers at the August meeting. There will be an election requiring two-thirds vote of the members present. The slate includes President--Rod Maust, First Vice-President/Second Vice-President--shared between Alex Sutherland and Laurel Richardson, Recording Secretary--Amy Grotland, Corresponding Secretary--Greg Beavers, and Treasurer--Tom Bohn. John Everitt will continue as Past President.

Don't forget to bring any extra plants or garden items for the free table.

See you soon,

Rod Maust, IDIS presiden<yodermaust@gmail.com>

2025 IDIS Daylily Show – June 28, 2025



The Indiana Daylily-Iris Society hosted our show June 28, 2025, at Avon Gardens, Avon, Indiana. One Hundred Twenty-Six scapes were exhibited with eleven exhibitors participating. Seven design entries were presented from four exhibitors. The **HEAD TABLE** with all the scape division winners is to the left. We also had an entry in the Ophelia Taylor class and two entries in Achievement Medal. Class details below:

<https://daylilies.org/awards/achievement-medal/> <https://daylilies.org/awards/ophelia-taylor-horticulture/#:~:text=AHS%20Region%2012%20has%20made,this%20award%20only%20one%20time.>

Section Winners



- Section 1. Extra Large: Exotic Starfish, Greg Beavers
- Section 2. Large: Catastrophe Waitress, Greg Beavers
- Section 3. Small: Sparkling Sugar Plums, Steven Franklin
- Section 4. Miniature: Fairy Fireworks, Greg Beavers
- Section 5. Double: William Marchant, Greg Beavers
- Section 6. Spider: Odell, Greg Beavers
- Section 7. Unusual Form: Mean Green, Greg Beavers
BEST OF SHOW, Pictured left
- Section 8. Youth: No Entries
- Section 9. Seedling: Steven Franklin
Sweepstakes. Most blue ribbons, Greg Beavers



Seven design entries from four exhibitors were evaluated by people's choice vote and Dan Howell came out the winner (picture to the left)

Thanks to all exhibitors and volunteers that made the event a success. See you in 2026 for an Iris show and 2027 again for our daylily show.

Greg Beavers, Co-chair
Lezlie Myers, Co-chair

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2022 NCAP IRIS to be returned in 2025

1. Amethyst Frost—John Everitt/Lezlie Myers
2. Beespeckled—Linda Bennett/Laurel Richardson
3. Lemon Quartz—Greg Beavers/John Everitt
4. Midnight Tide—John Everitt/Rod Maust
5. Ruby Peacock—Rod Maust/Mary Vinson
6. Topaz Ruffles—Peggy Harger-Allen/Betsy Gambaccini
7. Alabama Blue Fin—Rod Maust
8. Hanagara—Peggy Harger-Allen
9. Yarai—Mary Vinson
10. Anytus—Peggy Harger-Allen
11. Cascade Spring Dress—Lezlie Myers
12. Jaciva—Laurel Richardson

2023 NCAP IRIS to be returned in 2025

1. Black Hole—Peggy Harger-Allen
2. Boogie Woogie Bugle Boy—Janet Wilke
3. Born To Party—Mary Vinson
4. Dark Hour—Linda Sutter
5. Earth And Sun—Gregg Sutter
6. Here Comes Trouble—John Everitt
7. How Bizarre—Laurel Richardson
8. I Like Lace—Lezlie Myers
9. Just Between Us—Greg Beavers
10. Mind Blowing—Lezlie Myers
11. Monet Painting—Mary Lou Swann-Young
12. This Is Crazy—Rod Maust

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13. Endora—Bret Clement
14. Kissing Booth—Rod Maust
15. Cinemagic—Nancy Sutherland
16. Magic In The Air—Linda Bennett
17. Triple Smiles—John Everitt

2025 IDIS EVENTS

**(All meetings 6:30 P. M. at Clermont Lions Club), 3201 N Tansel Rd
Clermont, Indiana 46234 , unless otherwise noted.)**

Tuesday, August 5, 2025 IDIS Meeting

Program: John Kinnebrew, Jr. – Scottsmoor, FL – Spacecoast Daylily Garden

Time: 6:30pm

Place: Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234

Saturday, August 09, 2025

Annual Daylily-Iris Sale Setup: 8am Member buying: 9:45am Public buying:
10am-3pm

Place: Avon Gardens, 6259 E County Road 91 N, Avon, Indiana 46123

Saturday, September 6, 2025 IDIS Picnic

Installation of Officers, Plant Exchange, NCAP Daylily Auction (Members & Guests only)

Time: Setup: 11:00am Lunch: 11:45am Auction: 12:30pm

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Place: **Clermont Lions Club, 3201 N Tansel Rd, Clermont, Indiana 46234**

Saturday, September 20, 2025

American Iris Society Region 6 Fall Meeting

Time: 10am – 4:30pm

Place: Noble County Library, 104 Ley Street, Avilla, Indiana 46710

NCAP IRIS 2025 (photos attached to newsletter)

ALL ABOUT COLOR (P. Black '25) TB Midseason-late 34" (86.5cm) Slight sweet fragrance. The warm yellow color of the standards calms the eye, while the violet and maroon blended and streaked falls banded with tan push toward party time. Strong growth creates clumps filled with eye- catching flowers. Weather resistant stalks have 3 branches plus spur and 8-9 buds.

CALYPSO JOE (P. Black '25) TB Midseason-late 33" (84cm) No fragrance. Imagine loads of sun, sandy beaches, and music with a Latin beat when Calypso Joe appears in his flamboyant attire. The light butter ground of the standards is widely banded dark wine with random plicata marks over their centers. Bright mid yellow falls have dark wine hafts extending beyond the root beer beard and ending in an irregular dart. The plicata markings are wide in upper 1/3 then becoming narrow. Robust growth produces strong stalks with 3 branches and 9-10 buds. Quite a showstopper.

CAN'T STOP LOVING YOU (T. Johnson '23) TB Early-midseason 35" (89cm) Sweet fragrance. Light lemon-yellow standards with deep yellow centers becoming lemon veining towards the edge. Falls are a plush deep, velvety, maroon-black with a wide lavender-pink band. Good strong stems and gorgeous form. A spectacular beauty!

CHOIR OF ANGELS (T. Johnson '25) TB Early-midseason 37" (94cm) Sweet fragrance. White standards have nice wide gold bands. Falls are white with a deep violet blue plicata band. Choir Of Angels is a very strong grower that covers itself in bloom. Show stems are the norm on this classy beauty.

DARE TO BE DIFFERENT (Thomas Johnson '22) TB Midseason 36" (91cm) Slight fragrance. Rich butter yellow standards. Falls have a light creamy yellow base that is a near solid patch in center becoming a lined and rayed pattern that is overlaid mid to deep violet, then the petals are etched light yellow with a purple wire rim. Nicely ruffled and pleated flowers are extremely bright and showy. Quite a unique application of color and pattern. Lovely show stems and good bud count assure it to be a contender on the show bench. A favorite since its maiden bloom.

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DECEPTIVE HEART (T. Johnson '24) TB Midseason-late 36" (91cm) Slight fragrance. Peach pink standards. Cream falls have a deep rosy pink haft bar and a light pink edge.

EDGING AHEAD (T. Johnson '24) TB Early-midseason 36" (91cm) Light fragrance. Light lavender to white standards with slightly darker lavender stitching and dotting. Falls are white with a violet dotted edge. There is a narrow violet belly stripe below the beard. The beard is quite intricate with a white base and then purple and finally orange hair tips. Exceptional form and branching complete the package.

FALCON HEART (T. Johnson '25) TB Early-midseason 36" (91.5cm) Slight sweet fragrance. Standards are light yellow with medium lemon yellow centers. Falls have a very deep maroon central spot that becomes a wash as it moves toward the edge. There is then a light violet blushed area before becoming a clear light yellow band. A very clean and dramatic pattern and another step in the 'pansy face' pattern.

FLIP A COIN (T. Johnson '23) TB Midseason-late 40" (102cm) Light fragrance. White standards with a butterscotch and violet blended flush in the center. Falls are a warm and rich butterscotch with brilliant red-orange beards. Stunning in a clump.

FOUND A LOVE (T. Johnson '24) TB Midseason-late 37" (94cm) Slight fragrance. I have literally been in love with this seedling for a number of years and now have enough to share. Once again proving the value of Slice Of Heaven as a parent. Deep pink standards and edge on white falls with beautiful coral pink beards with a frosted pink end. Wonderful form and branching on strong stems. Found A Love, like its sister, As You Wish, from last year, is a very prolific bloomer and strong grower. I can't say enough good things about this iris.

JUST BETWEEN US (T. Johnson '23) TB Midseason 35" (89cm) Light sweet fragrance. Standards are medium pink in the center, then becoming white with pink veins and finally forming a pink rim. Falls are white with a rose-pink band and a white tipped orange beard. Just Between Us is lovely in every way. The ruffled form is beautiful, it is a good grower and has nicely branched stems. I have used it extensively in hybridizing and it has proved itself an excellent parent.

NAKED BEAUTY (T. Johnson '23) TB Midseason 38" (96.5cm) Sweet fragrance. Standards are a coral pink to light orange. Falls are pink with a lighter cream area below the beard. Classic full round, and ruffled form and wide well branched and budded stems create an amazing show in the garden. Simply spectacular! Naked Beauty is another one that we look forward to seeing each spring.

PISTOLS AT DAWN (L. Miller '25) TB SA Midseason-late 30" (76cm) Slight musky fragrance. Golden yellow standards are reflected in the lighter yellow veined area around the beard on the rich red-black falls. Styles have dark maroon veining. Mustard beards have a reddish black-based horn. A favorite with garden visitors. Very dramatic and showy!

CARAMEL CRAVING (T. Johnson '25) IB Early-midseason 23" (58.5cm) Slight fragrance. Deep golden yellow standards have a maroon flush in the center. Falls are deep gold with a

large deep maroon spot in the center. I love this iris, such a dramatic and eye-catching pattern on a really solid garden plant.

LITTLE SUGAR (T. Johnson '25) SDB Midseason-late 12" (30.5cm) Slight fragrance. Standards are medium peach to orange. Falls have a pink ground that is almost completely overlaid with violet plicata with the exception of the pink rim. A nice bicolor plicata with the added bonus of the pink rim.

RUM AND RAISIN (P. Black '25) SDB Early-midseason 13" (33cm) Pronounced sweet fragrance.

If you like earth tones, Rum And Raisin is for you. Standards are mid-light caramel tan. Multiple rings of color in the falls start with mid gold hafts with light tan plicata marks, then to a wide mid raisin band blended to mid gold bands. Muted mid marigold beards are a subtle contrast. YUM!

KEEP AN EYE OUT (T. Johnson '25) AB (OGB-) Early-midseason 26" (66cm) Slight fragrance.

A lovely clear blue with a deep red black signal. Certainly a catchy looking iris in the garden, and a strong grower.

STARE INTO MY EYES (P. Black '25) AB (OGB-) Late-very late 23" (58.5cm) Slight sweet fragrance. Stare Into My Eyes makes a significant advancement in the buds and branching of quarter arilbred irises. It is a big favorite. Strong stalks have two well-spaced branches plus spur and 7-8 buds. It is vigorous and as easy to grow as other bearded irises. White standards have light yellow centers blended to wide white bands shot with light yellow veins. Falls have big purple signals irregularly blended into wide light amethyst bands. Because of its later bloom, you'll be able to take it to a show.