

Iris Programs Resources (Speakers)
Nov 2018 Board meeting

1. On April 28, 2018 I sent 77 letters to the, at that time, current listing of speakers in the AIS Speaker Data I received from the prior speaker's chair asking if they wanted to continue with this effort. They were asked to update the speaker information. (Attachment 1)

Yes: 26

No: 14

No Response: 37

2. I also sent 56 letters to potential speakers based on their respective interest in various AIS activities. (Attachment 2)

Yes: 2

No: 1

No response: 53

3. There are 28 AIS iris lovers that have volunteered to participate in the AIS speakers program and are listed in the attachment. (Attachment 3)

4. There have been two requests for speakers in the past six months. I replied asking for more information (rather than just a date) and received one response. I proved the individual a list of six potential speakers that meet their expectations.

Respectively

Al Elliott

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(Attachment 1)

April 19, 2018

Dear:

Subject: American Iris Society (AIS) Iris Programs Resources (Speakers)

Purpose: Update current listing of AIS speakers

The AIS defined function of the Iris Programs Resources (Speakers) is “To generate and maintain a list of speakers to present diverse programs on behalf of the American Iris Society.” We have had request for speakers from within the AIS family and from organizations outside the AIS. We need to expand our list of speakers to better provide this service to AIS and the public. I need an accurate listing to ensure I can give any requester at least five names of potential speakers. They, in turn, will contact one of the five speakers to work out any details to satisfy their respective desires.

You are currently listed as an AIS speaker in the data base I received when I assumed chair of the Iris Program Resources (Speakers).

Do you wish to remain on the speaker list? If the answer is yes, please update the attached information and return to me. Email me if you want an electronic version of the report and you can update the report via email. Your information is in blue (**blue**.) Also notify me if you are no longer interested.

Section 1 is your background information. Email address and phone numbers are critical.

Section 2 (EXPECTATIONS) deals with your expectations on reimbursement and travel needs.

Section 3 (PRESENTATION TOPIC and EXHIBITION JUDGING) identifies the areas that you indicated being willing to present. Please note that it is AIS policy that retired judges cannot give for-credit judges training. The code “P” is general programs and “J” is judges training.

Section 4 (PRESENTATION TITLES) are titles of program or judges training that are listed in the file for you. This is one of the more important fields for people requesting speakers. The title sells your potential message. Thus, please update the list with specific titles.

We have a great message and love of iris to share with people. We will appreciate you continuing as a member of this AIS team.

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Atch: Individual Speaker Information

(EXAMPLE INFO IN CURRENT DATA BASE)

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AIS Member Life

Region 6

AIS Judge M

Cell Phone -

Affiliate

EXPECTATIONS

Travel? Yes

How Far? Anywhere

Stipend? No

Motel? Yes

Meals? Yes

Gas/Airfare? Yes

PRESENTATION TOPICS "P" = Program "J" = Judges Training

Bearded Iris	Arils-Arilibred	Border Bearded	Intermediate
Median	Miniature Dwarf	Miniature Tall	Novelty
Reblooming	Space Agers	Standard Dwarf	Tall Bearded
Beardless Iris P J	Japanese P	Pacific Coast Native	Louisiana
Species	Siberian	Garden Judging	Spuria

EXHIBITION JUDGING "P" = Program "J" = Judges Training

Artistic Design	Bulbous	Education Display Collection
English Boxes	Historic Iris	
Show Judging	Awards - Ballot J	Show Rules and Reg
Ethics	How to Become a Judge	Duties - Responsibilities of a Judge

GENERAL TOPICS "P" = Program

Prep for Show	Iris in General	Companion Plants	Iris Characteristics
Conventions	Growing Iris P	Overview of Iris	Exhibition Basics
Dig - Divide	Iris Garden	Landscape	Hybridizing AIS

PRESENTATION TITLES

General Programs

basic care, beardless iris overview

(Attachment 2)

April 28, 2018

Dear ????????

The purpose of this letter is to ask you to consider joining the American Iris Society (AIS) Speakers team.

The AIS defined function of the Iris Programs Resources (Speakers) chairperson is “To generate and maintain a list of speakers to present diverse programs on behalf of the American Iris Society” and “to receive requests for speakers and interact with the requesting person as to contact with proposed speaker and details of the visit (costs involved, dates, etc.)”

I need a diverse listing of speakers to draw from as we have five to ten requests per year from within the AIS family to support regional conventions or affiliate programs and from organizations such as garden clubs and nonprofit garden societies. Some requesters want a program and specific judges training on the same weekend. Many of the non-AIS requests want to select a topic from a list. Some organizations have limited funds and I can narrow down the list based on their and your financial reimbursement expectations.

My goal is to provide at least five speakers that meet the expectations of the requester. The requestor will then contact their speaker of choice and work out the details.

You can either e-mail your responses back to me or send it via mail. Email me if you want an electronic version of the topic listing and you can then complete the form via email. Please call me with any questions or comments. Please notify me if you are not interested at this time.

If you are interested, please complete the section below and the attachment of potential subject areas. You have the option of giving programs and/or judges training.

Define your financial reimbursement expectations.

Are you willing to travel and how far? _____

Do you expect a stipend? _____

Do you expect reimbursement for the Motel? _____

Meals? _____

Gas/airline fare? _____

Are you willing to stay as a guest at a private home? _____

We/You have a great message and love of the iris to share with people. We would be honored to have you as part of this team. Thank you for your consideration.

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Atch: Topic listing

Name:

Section 1: Judges Training

Please check the appropriate box if you are willing to conduct (1) Program (not judges training),
(2) Judges Training (JT) in the Classroom, or (3) Judges Training (JT) in the Garden

	Program	JT Classroom	JT Garden
1. Iris Classes			
BEARDED IRIS			
Arils & Arilbreds			
Border Bearded			
Intermediate Bearded			
Median			
Miniature Dwarf Bearded			
Miniature Tall Bearded			
Novelty Bearded			
Reblooming			
Space Age			
Standard Dwarf Bearded			
Tall Bearded			
BEARDLESS IRIS			
Japanese			
Louisiana			
Pacific Coast			
Siberian			
Species			
Spuria			

	Program	JT Classroom
2. Exhibition Judging - Other		
Artistic Design		
Bulbous		
Collections		
Educational Displays		
English Boxes		
Historical		
3. Judges Training Basics		
Awards & Ballots		
Duties & Responsibilities of a Judge		
Ethics		
How to Become a Judge		
Rules and Regulations of an Iris Show		
Show Judging		

Name:

Section 2: General Programs

Provide the title of general programs you are willing to present.
The following are examples of program titles currently offered.

1. AIS

Conventions
How to set up a classroom iris project
AIS Sections

2. Exhibition

Preparing for the Show
What makes judges happy?
How to prepare an educational display
Organizing and Presenting an Iris Show

3. Irises Characteristics

Introduction to Iris
Development of modern iris
Iris patterns and pattern distributions of tall

4. Growing Irises

Iris do grow in a pot
How to have bloom 10 months a year
Dig & Divide
Care and Feeding of Iris
Iris disease

5. Landscaping with Iris

Iris, a valuable addition to the garden
A Successful Iris Garden
Companion Plants
Iris 4 Rock garden

6. Hybridizing

Better to be Lucky or Smart
Hybridizing 101
Pains & pleasures of hybridizing

7. Gardens

Superstition iris gardens - our history,
unique growing techniques, & hybridizing
Kasperek Iris
Iris of Sri Lanka
English iris & Chelsea flower show
Florence competition
Italian gardens

8. Other

Iris Photography
Iris in history

(Attachment 3)

Current AIS Speakers	
Last Name	First Name
Bennett	Ruth
Bonino	Jill
Booth	Dwayne A.
Bowen	Randell
Boyer	Dawn
Carver	Happy
Carver	Gordon
Dyer	Perry
Fladager	Ken
Harris	Chad
Hedgecock	Jim
Hollingworth	Dr. Robert M.
Killingsworth	Ron
Morris	Jean
Morris	Jim
Musacchia	Joe
Nichols	Bonnie & Hooker
Niswonger	Dave
Nolin	Jody
Norris	Kelly
Sacks	Janet
Shackelford	Janis
Spence	Patrick
Strauss	Debra
Strohman	Robert L.
Thrash	Frances
Williams	Lynn