

## **2020 American Iris Society Photo Contest**

2020 has been difficult for everyone. Isolations began in March just as the early I. reticulatas and Iris tuberosa began breaking ground here in Maryland. Sorry for the delay in the results of the photo contest but one of the first judges was involved in an accident that ultimately required to find another judge. I would like to thank the judges Glen Grigg, Howie Dash and our last-minute stand in Doug Chyz. I would also like to thank Hugh Stout and the Francis Scott Key Iris Society for the iris prizes.

Because of the Covid-19 crisis most people were not able to get out to photograph irises and all meetings including the American Iris Society National Convention was cancels. With more important issues taking center stage, the photo contest felt the pressure as we received eleven entrants submitting a total of sixty-three photos. As with last year, the photos submitted were excellent.

I am proud to present the results of this year's winners:

### **2020 AIR Photo Contest Results**

#### **Category 1 - Irises in a landscape or garden**

First Place – Schreiners Iris Garden – Kim Ung Indian Harbor Beach FL

Second Place – Unknown JI – Kim Ung Indian Harbor Beach FL

Third Place – Honky Tonk Rumble In AR State Capital – Linda Bell Little Rock AR

#### **Category 2 – Irises in the wild**

First Place – LA In Pond Garden - Linda Bell Little Rock AR

Second Place – Iris Confusa – Kathy Oldham San Ramon CA

#### **Category 3 – Scene at any Iris event the includes Irises.**

No Votes

#### **Category 4 – Close up of an iris or irises**

First Place – Developing Story - Kathy Oldham San Ramon CA

Second Place – RT's Pink LA - Linda Bell Little Rock AR

Third Place – Turkish Topaz – Stephine Myers Colleyville TX

#### **Category 5 – MACRO**

First Place – Up Close and Personal – William Odle Plano Tx

Second Place – Ghost Writer - Kathy Oldham San Ramon CA

Third Place – Golden Beard - William Odle Plano Tx

**Category 6 – Photos of Pets, Wildlife or Garden Art With Irises**

First Place – Babe and Crimson King – Jan Hinrichs Blaedel Dublin CA

Second Place – Bee On Expose - Kim Ung Indian Harbor Beach FL

Third Place – Jessie’s Song With Bee – Christina Boys Nashville TN

**Honorable Mentions:**

HM CAT4 Curtis Smith Oregon City OR Pacifica Hybrid

HM CAT4 Kim Ung Indian Harbor Beach FL UNKPCN

HM CAT4 Kin Ung Indian Harbor Beach FL Slovak Prince

HM CAT4 Shana Gammon Lynchburg VA Before the Storm

HM CAT4 Sheryl Fitzpatrick Wichita KS Red Velvet Elvis

HM CAT4 Stephine Myers Colleyville, TX Song Sung Slow TB night bloom

HM CAT5 Jan Hinrichs Dublin CA Alcazar Bud in the Rain

HM CAT5 Sheryl Fitzpatrick Wichita KS Honey Scoop