

# ONTARIO IRIS SOCIETY Annual Flower Show

at the

**Toronto Botanical Garden  
777 Lawrence Avenue East  
Toronto, ON**



**Sunday, June 7, 2026**

**Show Setup: 10:00 am to 11:30 am**

**Public Viewing: 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm**

**Free Admission**

Show Chair: Terrance Laurin

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*Photo: 'Witty' IB (Black, 2012)  
2025 R.D. Little Trophy Winner  
Photo courtesy of K. Brewitt*

## Ontario Iris Society (ONIS)

You are invited to join the Ontario Iris Society which is a non-profit organization with affiliate status in the American Iris Society (AIS).

Membership is open to all persons interested in irises regardless of skill or experience. Membership and other information will be available at the show or can be found on the official ONIS website: <https://sites.google.com/view/ontarioiriss/>.

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Membership: Kate Brewitt                      kbrewitt@rogers.com

## American Iris Society

The American Iris Society (AIS) is a non-profit institution incorporated February 2, 1927, in the County of Philadelphia, State of Pennsylvania. The corporation exists for the sole purpose of promoting the culture and improvement of the iris and is the official registrar for all but bulbous iris (e.g. Dutch and Juno iris).

You are invited to join the American Iris Society. Membership and other information will be available at the show or can be found on the official AIS website: [AIS Members – American Iris Society](#)

AIS Region 2 RVP: Debi Chowdhury                      debichowdhury@yahoo.com

## Awards

R.D. Little Trophy - Best Specimen (Queen of the Show)  
Toronto Region Award – Second Best Specimen (Princess of the Show)  
F.W. Caulfield Trophy - Highest total points in the Tall Bearded classes  
Jean Sanderson Trophy - Best Canadian Introduction  
W.J. Taylor Trophy - Best Seedling  
Verna Laurin Plaque – Best Historic Iris  
Best Specimen of Show Certificate – Youth

The Ruth V. Blenis Award (AIS Region 2 Award) – Highest Placed Tall-bearded Iris in Show

AIS Silver Medal Certificate - Exhibitor with most 1st place stickers.  
AIS Bronze Medal Certificate - Exhibitor with 2<sup>nd</sup> most 1st place stickers.

AIS Silver Medal Certificate (Youth) - Exhibitor with most 1st place.  
AIS Bronze Medal Certificate (Youth) - Exhibitor with 2<sup>nd</sup> most 1st place.

AIS Section Medal Certificate – Most 1<sup>st</sup> place stickers in section where there are at least 3 exhibitors & at least 5 cultivars in the section.

Exhibition Certificates are awarded to the outstanding seedling, plus any seedling that obtains at least five (5) votes from certified AIS judges. All AIS judges are asked to contact the Show Chair to pick up seedling ballots.

## Show Rules and Regulations

1. This accredited show is being held and judged under the rules and regulations of the American Iris Society (AIS). These rules and regulations may not be violated. Judges' decisions will be final.
2. All entries **MUST** be staged between 10:00 am and 11:30 am. Late and unnamed entries will be accepted for display purposes only.
3. Exhibition privileges are open to all, including judges. Judges may not judge their own entries however they may judge entries of immediate family members.
4. Only specifically authorized personnel will be allowed in the show area during judging.
5. This is a cultivar show. All entries must have been grown and entered in person by the exhibitor whose name appears on the entry tag with the correct cultivar name and placed in the appropriate section. Family members may exhibit from the same garden.
  - Cultivars are to be arranged alphabetically in each section.
  - Each exhibitor is limited to one entry per cultivar; otherwise the number of entries by an exhibitor is not restricted.
  - Containers are furnished by the Society except Single Blossom section.
  - The Show Committee will aid the exhibitors to correctly identify the appropriate section.
  - Seedlings must be entered under seedling name or number and in the name of the originator.
  - Novices are those individuals who have never participated in an AIS sanctioned iris show.
  - Youth (under 19 years of age) may enter the Youth Division **or** the Adult Division **but not both** in the same show.
6. Judging will begin at approximately 11:30 am. The show is open to the public from 1:00 pm to 3:30 pm. Exhibitors may not remove entries prior to 3:30 pm. Unclaimed entries may be sold for the benefit of the Ontario Iris Society.
7. The Show Committee will exercise all possible care but cannot be responsible for loss or damage to exhibits.
8. Sections for bulbous irises and single blossom entries are eligible to receive award stickers and section certificates. Award stickers for section for bulbous irises are included in the tally for silver and bronze medal certificates however single blossom are not. Both these entries **are not eligible for the 'Best Specimen of Show' award.**

## Show Schedule

### **DIVISION I – HORTICULTURE**

**SECTION A.** Tall Bearded Iris (TB)

**SECTION B.** Miniature Dwarf Bearded (MDB)

**SECTION C.** Standard Dwarf Bearded (SDB)

**SECTION D.** Intermediate Bearded (IB)

**SECTION E.** Border Bearded (BB)

**SECTION F.** Miniature Tall Bearded (MTB)

**SECTION G.** Siberian (SIB)

**SECTION H.** Spuria (SPU)

**SECTION I.** Louisiana (LA)

**SECTION J.** Any other Beardless iris

**SECTION K.** Any iris of Canadian origin

**SECTION L.** Historic Iris (Introduced in 1996 or earlier. Indicate year.)

**SECTION M.** Bulbous Irises (not eligible for Best Specimen of Show)

**SECTION N.** Single Blossom (not eligible for Best Specimen of Show)

### **DIVISION II – SEEDLINGS**

**SECTION A.** Tall Bearded

**SECTION C.** Other Iris

**SECTION B.** Other Bearded

### **DIVISION III – NOVICE**

**SECTION A.** Tall Bearded

**SECTION C.** Other Iris

**SECTION B.** Other Bearded

### **DIVISION IV - YOUTH**

**SECTION A.** Bearded Iris

**SECTION B.** Beardless Iris

Exhibitors complete a point credit sheet during the Show and have it approved by the Show Chair. **Each point is worth \$0.30.** The accumulated points may be redeemed at the August 2026 Auction/Sale.

Major Trophy Awards: 10 pts  
Court of Honour: 10 pts  
(Best from each section)

Other Awards: 1st place 5 pts  
2nd place 3 pts  
3rd place 2 pts