



President's Message

Winter will soon be over, and the iris will quickly be in full bloom for spring. If you have not started to bait for slugs and snails, I recommend that this yearly spring chore be at

the top of your list now, along with the weeding. The Hortlandia Plant Sale April 4th-5th is fast approaching. Please get your list/name, quantity, kind/TB, IB, SDB, etc., to John Ludi by March 24th. He needs to be able to make the plant tags before the next Meeting, April 1st, to hand out. At the Meeting, we will go over the logistics of the Hortlandia Plant Sale, including set-up, manning, and take-down. Then onto the Shows, of which we will host all three this year. Will Plotner did a great job again making up the Show Schedules. I will have these on hand at the Meeting along with Show Entry Tags. If you are a new member, this Meeting is a must for information. I will give an overview of the Shows, and Judging at the Meeting. If you cannot make this Meeting, please get in touch with me by email or phone as I still need Judges and Workers for these Shows. Be sure to check out our GPIS' website Events at <http://greaterportlandirissociety.org/calendar-of-events>

Registration for the AIS National Convention and the Siberian Species Convention can be found here. The deadlines are approaching fast. There is also an in-garden Judges Training in Olympia, WA, on May 10th. As soon as I receive information, I will post it and let you know.

Hospitality last names A-L *Chad*



*“Your Mind is a Garden
Your thoughts are the Seeds
You can grow Flowers
Or you can grow Weeds”*

GPIS

March 2025



**April 1st
Show
Preparation
With
Chad Harris
at
Ainsworth House
Oregon City
7:00 P.M.
Hospitality A-L**

Greater Portland Iris Society

Coming Events

2025 GPIS MEETINGS - EVENTS

**April 1 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“Show Prep” by Chad Harris**

April 4/5 – HPSO “Hortlandia”, Washington County Event Center, Hillsboro

May 4 – Early Show, Clackamas County Event Center, Canby

May 24 – Mid-Season Show, Clackamas Community Club, Clackamas, OR

June 2/7 – AIS National Convention (Billings, MT)

June 28 – Late Show, Japanese Garden, Portland

August 9 – Potluck/Auction, Timber Park, Estacada, OR

August 16/17 – Bearded Plant Sale, Portland Nursery

**September 2 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“2025 AIS Convention” by Rita Butler**

September 20/21 – Beardless Plant Sale, Portland Nursery

**October 7 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“The Ripened Gardener” Gardening as we age** by Susan Piper

October 25 – Fall Regional Meeting - Hosted by GPIS

**November 4 – Meeting (Ainsworth House)
“Historic Irises” by Will Plotner**

December 13 – Holiday Party (Sandy Grange Hall)



Updates to Mailing List

As many of you have noticed we have changed to sending out our Newsletter via E-Mail except for a few that do not have E-mail or for necessary saving of this material (like a copy to the Library). If there is anyone who might have trouble reading this (like on your phone) or otherwise need a paper copy. Please let me know and I will get you a paper copy. It is also posted on the GPIS WEB site. [Will molallagardens@outlook.com](mailto:Will_molallagardens@outlook.com)

Iris in Art 



An Artistic Show Winner



**It's been very wet out
and
We need to think about
baiting for Slugs**

Try getting them while they are small with ammonia and water - mix 50/50

Or go for the Corey's or Deadline