



President's Message October 2025

Summer, what happened? Was it not last week that the days were

longer, days warmer, and the leaves all green? Lately, the fall chores seem to be endlessly compounding at an exponential rate. As the summer weeds are starting to wither, I have already seen the beginning of winter weeds germinating, blooming, and getting ready to burst with their first seed. Which weed am I referring to, one of our favorites of the mustard family, *Cardamine hirsute* (Bittercress), or what we all call that “pop-weed”. American Iris Society Convention 2026 in New Jersey Registration, some scheduling and hotel information has been posted on the official website <https://ais2026convention.org/>. Join us in this last fall meeting of the year, where Will Plotner will share his program “Historic Irises.”

Chad

Hospitality last names M-Z



Directions

Directions to the Ainsworth House & Gardens

**19130 Lot Whitcomb Drive,
Oregon City, OR 97045**

FROM I-205 NORTH OR SOUTH

Take I-205 to exit 10 and go south on Hwy 213 for about 4 miles. After you cross Beavercreek Rd. you will pass the Clackamas Community College (on your left) turn at the next RIGHT at the traffic Lights for MEYER ROAD (by the Carl's Jr.). Go to the SECOND stop sign, about 1 mile.

At the Second stop sign continue forward onto Leland Road (which also goes to the left). After about 100 yards, take the first LEFT into Lot Whitcomb Drive and the Ainsworth Estates. (Do not be fooled by the houses). The house is one and a half blocks on your left. Continue on the road in front of the house and it will take you to the parking lot on your left, at the rear of the property, next to the Garden Room. Meetings will be held there.

FROM MILWAUKIE AND 99E, DOWNTOWN OREGON CITY

From 99E turn LEFT at the lights for 10th Street (If coming from Canby this would be a RIGHT turn). Follow 10th Street up the hill, and it will deliver you onto 7th Street. Turn RIGHT at the first lights (Washington Street) and go 2 blocks to 5th Street, and turn LEFT on 5th. 5th Street after about a mile becomes Linn Ave, and Linn Ave after another mile becomes Leland Avenue when it crosses the lights at the Warner Milne/Warner Parrot junction (Plaid Pantry and two other stores on the corner). Take the third RIGHT from Leland into Lot Whitcomb Drive and the Ainsworth Estates. The house is one and a half blocks on your left. Follow the road, which passes in front of the house, to enter the parking lot which is in the rear next to the garden room.

GPIS

November 2025



Meeting November 4th, 2025

At
Ainsworth House
With
Will Plotner
Speaking on
Historic Iris

Greater Portland Iris Society

Coming Events

2025 GPIS MEETINGS - EVENTS

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)

REGION 13 FALL MEETING

DR. ANNA CADD, from Healdsburg, California, is coming to Portland in October to present an exciting program and judge's training on Spuria Irises.

Come join us for a great day and presentation. **OCTOBER 25, 2025**

LOCATION: Radisson Hotel Portland Airport 6233 NE 78th Court, Portland OR 972018 Hosted by the Greater Portland Iris Society

AGENDA: 10:30 AM Silent Auction Setup (Lunch on your own)

1:30 PM – 2:30 Region 13 Fall Meeting

2:45 PM – 4:45 PM Judge's Training - Spuria Iris

5:00 PM Silent Auction Closed

5:15 PM – 6:15 PM Dinner

6:30 pm – 7:30 PM Program by Anna Cadd

7:30 PM - ?? Hybridizer's Show & Tell

Iris In Art



GREATER PORTLAND IRIS SOCIETY (Membership Application)

Name _____

**Family/household dues \$ _____

Address _____

City _____

State _____

ZIP _____

Telephone (Home) () _____

Cell () _____

E-mail address _____

ALS Member Yes _____ No _____

Garden Name _____

Make payment payable to GPIS. Send to Barbara Aitken (Membership Secretary), 608 NW 119th Street, Vancouver, WA 98685-3802. Email: <aitken@flowerfantasy.net>

** GPIS Members \$12.00 // In Region 13 outside GPIS \$7.00 // Out of Region \$12.50