

# The American Iris Society 2016 Photo Contest

May 1st to July 31st MIDNIGHT- California Time

The American Iris Society invites you to participate in their Annual Photo Contest. This contest is free and open to everyone, with the exception of contest Judges and the contest coordinator, who are not eligible to enter. The winning photo of each category will be published in the AIS Winter magazine and placed on the AIS web site. The 2016 winner of each category will receive a 2016 introduction (*within USA only*). The winner's will also receive a single annual membership, or single e-membership or annual membership extension to AIS. (Winners who are AIS life members will receive an e-membership or annual membership in an AIS Section of their choice.) Runners-up of each category will receive a 2014 or 2015 introduction (*within the USA only*).

## How to Enter: **NO PRINTS ACCEPTED.**

Fill out the entry form designating in which category you are entering your "digital" photos (i.e. Cat3 Margaret Hart with 'Snow Flurry'). Then e-mail (or snail mail a CD) of your digital high resolution photos, along with the entry form, to the AIS Photo Contest Coordinator, at the address indicated.

You may submit up to 5 photos total for this contest. They may be all entered in one category or separate categories.

There must be irises in the photo and the photos should be of the Genus Iris. The deadline for entries is Midnight, California Time, July 31<sup>st</sup>-MIDNIGHT-California Time.

Entries will be judged in the following 6 categories:

1. Irises in a landscaped garden. (Show the iris in the garden.)
2. Irises in a field or a home garden. (Show the field of irises or irises in a home garden.)
3. A person or people at iris events or tours.
4. Close up of an iris or irises. (Whole flower is showing.)
5. Iris photos- art effects or macro (close up of bloom segments.)
6. Photos of pets, wildlife or garden art with the irises.

(You may enter as many photos in one category as you like, not to exceed 5)

**\*\*\* youth photographers (under 19) can choose to enter either the Youth Category (photo must have an iris in it) or any of the adult categories, but not both.**

"High Resolution" digital photos are required (i.e. no smaller than 1600x1000 dimensions). If you only have prints take them to a store to have them digitized in "High Resolution" files placed on a CD (double check the photos are there) and mail said CD along with your entry form.) Include name of the variety or person in each photo on the entry form and photo file name, if known.

A panel of three judges will judge the photos received and their decisions will be final.

**Note: When filling out this form online make sure you save it to your computer then attach to your email or it will**

**arrive blank.** (If you have problems with the entry form fill it out online and take a photo of I on the screen and submit the photo of your form along with your photo entries.)

## Where to send:

The American Iris Society Photo Contest,  
c/o Janet Smith, P O Box 1585, Coarsegold, CA  
93614-1585

**E-mail photos & entry form to: [gby456@gmail.com](mailto:gby456@gmail.com)**

## Entry Form:

**Please designate Category #, photo name(s) and name of persons in photos, if any, to match name on digital file.**

- 1 \_\_\_\_\_
- 2 \_\_\_\_\_
- 3 \_\_\_\_\_
- 4 \_\_\_\_\_
- 5 \_\_\_\_\_

**\*\*\* If this is a youth entry, please tell us your age: \_\_\_\_\_**

*I am the person who took the photograph(s) enclosed, and I have not assigned any of my rights associated with these photographs to any third party. By entering the photo contest I am hereby authorizing The American Iris Society a royalty free, non-exclusive right to use winning photograph(s) and photograph(s) worthy of honorable mention in publications, in brochures, and calendars, on the Internet, and for other promotional uses. (Forms submitted by email do not require actual signature. By filling in the information in this form including the information below, either fully or partially, and submitting the form by email, you grant the American Iris Society the rights specified in the paragraph above).*

**Check that you agree with the above statement.**

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Email \_\_\_\_\_

Phone (\_\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Receipt of photos will be acknowledged by email.

Send inquiries to: [gby456@gmail.com](mailto:gby456@gmail.com)

**NOTE: Check your email the next 24-hours after sending your entries; in case of problems and your response is needed.**