

## WESTERN NEW YORK IRIS SOCIETY NEWS

September 28,2022

**WNYIS:** Our first meeting this autumn is this coming Sunday, October 2,2022. It will be held at the Reinstein Library 1030 Losson Rd. S. Cheektowaga, NY 14227. The program will begin, as usual, at 1:30pm. The Agenda is attached. The most important items are the Awards, reviewing the Budget, the Brochures and the Calendar for 2022-2023. David will present Bearded Irises and “What do you do in the October Iris garden?” I realize the Bills are playing, and I will attempt to get through the business quickly. Our next meeting is November 6, 2022. The presentation will be on Bulbous irises, including Reticulatas. Plus, an introduction to Artistic Design, which all will find interesting and iris judges will gain credit.

**AIS/REGION2:** October 12, 2022, is the scheduled Board Meeting at 7:00pm via Zoom. The AIS/REGION2 Annual Fall Meeting is scheduled for October 22 at 10:30am via Zoom. The presentation is the Louisiana iris Conservation Initiative (LICI) by Gary Salathe, a board of directors’ member of the organization. All members of WNYIS and/or AIS members are invited to either or both meetings. Pre-registration is required for the meetings. To register for either meeting or both, contact Neil Houghton at [nhoughtonirises@gmail.com](mailto:nhoughtonirises@gmail.com).

**AIS (American Iris Society):** The Webinars will continue this fall on U-Tube. Look under AIS for the various topics. The Photo Contest winners were announced. Camera buffs-be sure to take pictures of your irises this coming iris season. There are many opportunities and virtual iris contests, with publication of the winners and prizes. More information in spring.

I hope you can attend the WNYIS meeting on October 2, 2022. We will meet the new members and introduce the old ones. The Calendar is interesting, and we will learn many things about the different classes of iris. Artistic Design sessions will help all of us become more comfortable with iris arrangements and designing. Field trip to Hamilton, Canada and a speaker on Median irises is on our calendar. Of course, our WNYIS Iris and Perennial Show is in June and our Iris Sale will close out the summer. See you at the meeting. Bring a friend or neighbor.

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