

Hello Iris People,

This is a reminder that our next meeting is Sunday, April 3, 2022, at 1:30pm. The Julia Reinstein Library, 1030 Losson Road (between Transit and Union Roads) is our regular meeting place. I hope all of you will attend.

We will start to learn and work towards the Annual Iris and Perennial SHOW! Shows are fun and exciting, and we encourage everyone to enter. The SHOW is on June 4,2022 at the Library from 1-4 pm. Encourage your friends and family to come, and enjoy the beautiful irises, designs and perennials.

Maria and Annette will present the April 3rd program “Iris Designs for the Novice.” Maria has been working hard and any hesitation to enter a Design into the Show, will simply disappear. There are three themes to choose from, in the Schedule.

An Iris and Perennial Flower Show always starts with the Schedule. The Schedule is like a recipe or a directional map—“what” the Show entails and “where” things go. There is a Chairman and Flower Show Committees. The irises, designs and perennials are judged by accredited AIS judges or NGC accredited judges. The AIS awards and ribbons are final. The Region2 award, the Magdalen Award, will be awarded at our Show. This award is given to the best Medium Iris of the Show. Medium irises include Miniature Tall Bearded, Intermediate iris, and the Border Bearded iris. We ask everyone to help set up, tear down and enjoy the Show.

David will present, on May 1, “how to enter the Show and how to prepare your irises and perennials” to win a ribbon or an award. Every flower entered, must have its genus and species or original name on the entry card. We will have tables for beautiful unnamed flowers too—so do bring them to the Show. Make sure to come to the **next two meetings** and learn all about entering our June SHOW!

Jodie, a new member, has offered to set up a webpage for WNYIS and be the web manager. She has offered to assume the cost of set-up too. Check out this mock, temporary site below, and we will discuss the possibility of a website at the meeting. (jodiebaehre.wixsite.com/wnyiris)

See you all on this Sunday, April 3, 2022, at 1:30.

Always, Marilee Farry (farmare@aol.com) or 716-668-1789 for questions!