



May 23, 2025

Twin Falls Reformed Church
1631 Grandview Dr., Twin Falls
Please enter the Far West building.
Public viewing: 12:00 pm-3:00 pm

We will be at the church at 8:00 am. You can enter your irises from 8:00 am to 10:00 am. Judging will start at 10:30 am (you do not need to be a club member). The iris does need to be named for the American Iris Society.

The club provides lunch for members and judges. We will have chicken, fruit, bars, chips, and water. You are welcome to bring treats.

The club provides an iris for the winners, who at the show received a blue ribbon on their stalk. Please look at the show schedule. Everyone is welcome to learn, and we can help each other with our entries. A great way to bring your show stalks is by using a pail filled with a packed with noodles. I put water in the pail and taped the noodles to the pail.

We will have a table for unnamed irises. You are welcome to bring in your iris stalks to share.

Please help at the end of the day by taking your Stalks. We need help with the show bottles and packing the pickup with the show preparation items.

It is always fun to see and smell the irises.



Magic Valley Iris Society
Saturday: May 23 2026
Twin Falls Reformed Church
1631 Grandview Dr.
Twin Falls Idaho

Public viewing from 12:00 pm-3:00 pm
 Admission to AIS-approved shows is free for the public.

Show Committee

SHOW CHAIR: Linda Aufderheide
 HORTICULTURE: Jeanette Graham
 DESIGN: David Burke, Jeanette Graham
 CLASSIFICATION CHAIR: Jeanette Graham
 CLERKS: Wendy Barckholtz, Sandra Ruebel
 JUDGES: Jeanette Graham, Linda Aufderheide, David Burke
 AIS AWARDS AND BALLOTS: Sandra Ruebel
 PHOTOGRAPHY: Charlotte Butler
 SCHEDULES AND COVER: Jeanette Graham
 Placement, WM.Craig Nebeker, Wendy Barckholtz
 STAGING & DISMANTLING: ALL MEMBERS

Entries: May 23 2026, 8:00 am-10:00 am
 Judging starts at 10:30 am
 (No need to be a member to show)

You are welcome to JOIN the Magic Valley Iris Society. Magic Valley Iris Society is an affiliate of the American Iris Society. Dues: \$10.00 Annual Newsletters, emails, and iris rhizome. We have door prizes and educational programs. We meet We meet four times yearly: in March, May, August, and November.

Big Sale! A rainbow of colors will be from our club members. We offer you old favorites and newer introductions at a great price!!! The sale is at Harmon Park, Twin Falls, ID, on August 1, 2026. We will sell at the Green Shelter from 10:00 am to 2:00 pm. Magic Valley Iris Society accepts credit cards and cash.

We will follow up with excess irises at D and B Supply Co., 2258 Addison Ave East, Twin Falls, Idaho, 8:30 am-2:00 pm on August 8, 2026

Sutton's Iris Gardens are in Meridian, Idaho at 9110 W Chinden Blvd. It is always better to see an iris growing in the ground. I always learned a new culture growing of on irises.



Eagle Ridge Iris Gardens, 1008 Eagle Ridge Drive Billings, MT: eagleridgeirises.com; 1 406 698-3567. Please call first to see if it's ok to visit. I see they are all sold out for their iris sales this year. But it's a great place to see irises.

The American Iris Society is a great magazine to read about irises. You do need to be a member for three years to be an iris judge. irises.org. There are other iris societies. I like the Tall Talk bulletin: tbtiriso.org—spring and fall bulletin. The Medianite Society has a spring and fall bulletin. medianiris.com The Dwarf Society sends a nice Porfolio magazine at the beginning of the year in addition to monthly emails. dwarfirissociety.com The Reblooming Society mails out two bulletins, plus emails. rebloomingirises.org They all have Facebook pages.

My other area of interest is watching YouTube and Zoom programs. Mid-American does Facebook and videos. They do a big scale of digging, replanting, sales, and show the iris blooms. Just Iris is on Facebook and YouTube. It is about son and dad growing irises. They took a trip to Salem, Og to see the irises. Oklahoma Iris Society has a program every month, and you need to join for five dollars to get the Zoom links. The ones to do the Zoom programs need to know who you are, so there is no hacking, etc. The King County Iris Society has a program with a speaker. They have Zoom programs. To join their club costs fifteen dollars. Or ten dollars if you belong to AIS. kcis.org The Zoom app is easy to add to your device. You need an email from the club. Click on the link, and the club will let you into the Zoom program. The hardest part to remember is that the Zoom program is in their time zone.

SECTION IB. Intermediate Bearded (IB)
 SECTION BB. Border Bearded (BB)
 SECTION MTB. Miniature Tall Bearded (MTB)
 SECTION NOV Novelty Irises, broken color, horns, Flounces, flatties, extra petals,
 SECTION SIB. Siberian (SIB)
 SECTION SPU. Spuria (SPU)
 SECTION H. Historic Iris (Introduced 30 years or more before the date of the show). Include year of introduction on the entry tag. For an iris that has not been introduced, the date of registration can be used.
 SECTION AB. Aril (AR) and Arilbred (AB)
 Group 1. Aril
 Group 2. Arilbred
 Group 3. Arilbred median
 SECTION SS. Species (SPEC) and SPEC-X
 SECTION N. Collections (not eligible for Best Specimen of Show)
 Group 1: 3 stalks/one variety
 Group 2. 3 stalks/all different
 Group 3. 5 or more stalks/all different
 Group 4. 5 or more stalks/one variety
 SECTION EBX. English Box (not eligible for Best Specimen of Show). Check with the show chair for the type and size of box and whether it is provided by Show Committee or by the exhibitor.
 SECTION SB. Single Blossom (not eligible for Best Specimen of Show)

DIVISION II-SEEDLINGS

Any un-introduced iris of any type. Seedlings must be entered under the seedling number or registered name and must be made in the name of the owner or originator of the clone. An iris that has been registered, but not yet introduced, may be entered in the Open Horticultural Division or in the Seedling Division, but not both, in the same show. Only entries in the Seedling Division may be considered for an Exhibition Certificate.

DIVISION III-YOUTH HORTICULTURE

Same Sections and groups as in Division 1

Treasurer Report

Checkbook: \$4,257.88 Savings: \$26.00
 CD: \$6,632.53 Due 7-11-2026. %4.13
 CD: \$5,101.53 Due 1-15-2027 %3.90
 Refunded of 100th Anniversary Medals: \$56.00
 BILLS
 Copy It: (\$6.04 March) \$13.70,
 AIS Bulletin door prize: \$45.00
 Stamps: \$ 78.33
 Magic Valley News: \$12.00
 Twin Falls Reformed Church: use of room \$25.00

Tips for entering the Iris Show.

You don't need a perfect garden, just a great bloom and little prep. Start with the right stem, choose a well-shaped bloom with Strong bloom, strong form, and good substance. Look for balanced branching and healthy buds. Judges notice the whole stem, not just one flower. Clean matters: remove any bugs. Gently wiped off fingerprints, no altering the flower, no trimming, wiring, or fixing anything. What you grow is what you show. Cut and transport smart. Bring your iris in water and arrive early so you have time to prep. All entries will go into standard show vases, so don't worry about containers; focus on the stem. Timing is everything. Aim for blooms that are fresh and just opening, not bloom out, not tight. You want it at peak. What judges are looking for: Form and balance of the bloom, Clear, bright color (not faded or weather-damaged). Strong stems and good branching. Healthy buds with potential, Overall presentation, and freshness. **Bring it. Learn from it. You'll get better fast.**

Culture Report

After the irises are done blooming, I cut the stalks off at around four inches above the ground. I do not break off the stalks anymore, as aphids and spider mites can enter the rhizomes and cause rot. I used a sharp knife to cut off the stalks. I do use Merit granular for the aphids. I don't think it stops the grasshoppers. Yes, I still have worms, bees, and birds. Please do not cut off the trimmed iris leaves. The plant growth needs to stay at the rizome to make increases for next year. If you have an iris that rots out, I like to take the plant and soil out. You will have fresh soil and more drainage. I also heard sulfur powder will kill the aphids. Let me know if you have good luck. These are not your great-grandmother's irises!!!

DIVISION IV-EDUCATIONAL EXHIBITS

1. The objective of an Educational Exhibit is to convey a message quickly and clearly. Legible printing, descriptive pictures and/or objects, and organization of the materials all tell a story. The dramatic impact can be attained with color combinations, humor, clever titles, etc., all designed to interest the viewer. The organization and placement of the materials should cause the eye to flow through the exhibit. Handouts are a plus.
2. The Educational Exhibit should tie in with the theme of the show through signs, show color combinations, or some other way.
3. The Bronze Medal and Certificate may be awarded to the exhibitor of an educational exhibit found to be of Outstanding merit by the judges.

DIVISION V-ARTISTIC COLOR IN IDAHO NATURE

SECTION: S

- Class 1 Idaho Gems-any color
- Class 2 Idaho Desert-Use browns, yellows, or rust colored irises.
- Class 3 Idaho Sky & Water- Use water and or rocks with shades of blue and white accessories-shade of blues and or shades of white irises.

DESIGN RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. An exhibitor may enter only one exhibit per class, but may enter as many classes as desired.
2. Exhibitors under age 19 may enter adult classes in addition to the youth classes.
- 3 One or more iris bloom (s) must be used in each design and must be the dominant flower (s) in the design. The use of iris foliage in a design is the choice of the designer.
4. One exhibitor must make the design, but the plant material used in a design does not have to be grown by the designer.
- 5 Accessories are permitted in all classes unless prohibited by the show schedule.
6. Fresh plant material should be predominant and may not be treated in any manner. A minimum of dried and/ or weathered plant material is permitted. Treatment of dried material is allowed.