

Convention Headquarters

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Room Rate: \$114.00 + tax per night

Reservations may be made after June 8, 2015

Please mention you are with the
2016 AIS Convention

Complimentary shuttle to and from airport



Registration Details

Dates: May 23 - May 28 , 2016

Location: Newark, NJ

Full Registration Includes:

- Bus transportation to 3 gardens
Presby Memorial Iris Gardens
Glenara Gardens Carol &
George Boyce
George Hildenbrandt Garden
- Convention admission
- 2 garden tour lunches, Welcome
Reception and Awards Dinner

Convention Registration

Complete convention registration cost and other information will be available by June 2015 and posted on the 2016 Convention Website as well as on the AIS Website. Contact the Convention Chair to get on the convention mailing list to receive details as soon as available:

Convention Chair: Paul W. Gossett

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American Iris Society
National Convention

Newark, NJ

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Hosted by

AIS, Presby Memorial Iris Gardens

Essex County New Jersey

www.presbyirisgardens.org

Tour Gardens

Presby Memorial Iris Gardens



The Presby Memorial Iris Gardens, often referred to as “The Rainbow on the Hill” due to the arching slope of the garden beds and beautiful colors, is located at the base of the 7 ½ acre Mountainside Park. Established in 1927 to honor Frank H. Presby of Montclair, a leading horticulturalist and a founder of The American Iris Society, the gardens showcase over 100,000 blooms during the month of May.

This living museum, listed on the State and National Registers of Historic Sites, offers a spectacular display of thousands of iris varieties to visitors from all over the world. Visitors can take a guided cell phone tour of the gardens and view Iris dating back as early as the 1500’s to modern day introductions. Presby is proud to host the 2016 AIS Convention where 887 new varieties will be on display from 93 hybridizers. This bucolic setting is sure to present a magnificent show!

Tour Gardens



Hildenbrant Garden

The garden is located on a farm near Slatington in the Lehigh valley of eastern Pennsylvania.

For the past ten years I have been retired on the farm and spending all my weekdays learning to grow irises here. Weekends are spent with my wife, Carolee, who works and lives in the New York City area. My daughter Jennifer Cunningham operated the garden commercially for several years, but after her second child time no longer permitted.

The beginning of the garden was TBs and ABs acquired from my father, Lester, who grew and sold irises for 50 years in Lexington, NE. In addition to updating those collections I have added modest collections of SDBs and MTBs. On the beardless side I am expanding my collection of Louisianas, pseudatas, versicolors and siberians. The moist and acidic soil here has proven quite hospitable to these types of irises.



Over the past three years I have begun a small hybridizing program focusing on arilbred medians. This has led to a collection of aphyllas, pumilas, tetraploid arils and other median species.

Tour Gardens

Glenara Gardens



Over 50 years in development, with stops in Maine, Vermont, Florida, New York, and now settled in Pennsylvania, George and Carol Boyce's Glenara Gardens is a cornucopia. An Official AIS Display Garden, this property is nestled in a small valley in the Pocono Mountains, it features an acre lake with shores planted in Louisiana, Siberian, and Pseudacorus iris with large koi swimming by. Stroll the sixty variety lilac walk and view the blooming azaleas, rhododendrons, peonies, unusual trees, shade and rose gardens.

From the metal filigree dome one can see the extensive iris, daylily and companion plant beds. Special features include garden art, the John White Memorial Siberian and Japanese bed, the large Schreiner's of Portland, Oregon bed, and the Pennsylvania hybridizers' bed. Highlighted throughout the six acres are plant specimens from around the world.

