

Awards and Honors 1956

THE DYKES MEMORIAL MEDAL

THE AWARD OF MERIT

THE MARY SWORDS DEBAILLON AWARD

THE CAPARNE AWARD

THE ERIC NIES AWARD

HONORABLE MENTION

HIGH COMMENDATION



THE JUDGE'S CHOICE



THE 1956 POPULARITY POLL

The Awards Committee is gratified at the co-operation received from the Accredited Garden Judges in 1956. Enthusiasm was at a high pitch, and more ballots were tabulated than ever before. Especially is it gratifying to see the high degree of interest in iris types other than Tall Bearded.

There were 526 Accredited Garden Judges for 1956. Of this number, 440 cast On-Time ballots. Twelve Honorary Judges also cast ballots, so that the total number of ballots tabulated was 452.

Of this huge total, those voting on the Single-Choice Awards were:

For the Dykes Memorial Medal.....	447 votes
For the Debaillon Award	74 votes
For the Caparne Award	203 votes
For the Eric Nies Award	200 votes

It is very interesting to see the active interest taken in the Eric Nies Award this first year of the voting for it.

The balloting for High Commendation took in 900 different seedlings from 201 different breeders, and 94 varieties received the honor. In the balloting for Honorable Mention, 893 different varieties were voted for in the Tall Bearded classification, and 64 received the honor. Of other types, 186 varieties were voted for H.M., and 21 of them received the honor.

The 1956 Awards, subject to confirmation by the Board of Directors at the regular Fall Meeting, are:

THE DYKES MEMORIAL MEDAL

<i>Variety</i>	<i>Originator</i>	<i>Votes</i>
First Violet	Fred DeForest	83
<i>Runners-Up</i>		
Palomino	David F. Hall	62
Violet Harmony	Mrs. Franklin Lowry	47
Happy Birthday	David F. Hall	34
White Peacock	Mrs. Douglas Pattison	24

THE MARY SWORDS DEBAILLON AWARD

Wood Violet	Miss Ruth Dormon	13
<i>Runners-Up</i>		
Bayou Glory	Sidney Conger	12
Pink Caprice	Sidney DuBose	11

THE CAPARNE AWARD

Sparkling Eyes	Walter Welch	45
<i>Runners-Up</i>		
Path of Gold	E. L. Hodson	24
Moon Gleam	Walter Marx	18
Veri Gay	Walter Welch	16

THE ERIC NIES AWARD

Wadi Zem Zem	Carl Milliken	77
<i>Runners-Up</i>		
Sunny Day	H. P. Sass	22
Lark Song	Eric Nies	18
White Heron	Carl Milliken	17

THE AWARD OF MERIT

Blue Sapphire	Robert Schreiner	215
Rehobeth	Fred DeForest	161
Sierra Skies	W. B. Schortmann	149
May Hall	David F. Hall	121

<i>Variety</i>	<i>Originator</i>	<i>Votes</i>
Dark Boatman	Paul Cook	118
June Meredith	Tell Muhlestein	117
Cathedral Bells	Mel Wallace	96
Wedding Bouquet	Stedman Buttrick	93
Pink Fulfillment	Tell Muhlestein	86
Golden Sunshine	Robert Schreiner	78
Apricot Glory	Tell Muhlestein	74
Majorette	Miss Elma Miess	66
	<i>Runners-Up</i>	
Altar Light	Mrs. Opal Brown	60
Top Hat	Robert Schreiner	58
Golden Hawk	Kenneth Smith	57
Gene Wild	Tom Craig	56
The Citadel	Edward Watkins	56
Belle Meade	Jesse Wills	55
Ruth	Robert Innes	53
Senorita Ilsa	Guy Rogers	53
Bright Hour	Geddes Douglas	51
Lady Rogers	Guy Rogers	51
June Bride	David F. Hall	50
Butterfly Blue	Orville Fay	47

HONORABLE MENTION

Tall Bearded Varieties

✓ Gold Cup	Murray	63
Eleanor's Pride	E. Watkins	49
Tahola	Gibson	47
Praiseworthy	Muhlestein	30
Crystal	Knowlton	30
No Mohr	Gibson	30
Melodrama	P. Cook	30
Patience	Schortmann	26
Victoria	Whiting	24
Fortune's Gift	Mitsch	24
Sea Master	H. Sass	23
Winter Imp	H. Sass	23
Star Fire	Wills	22
Violet Hills	DeForest	22
Dotted Swiss	H. Sass	21
Concord River	Buttrick	20
Annette	D. Hall	19

<i>Variety</i>	<i>Originator</i>	<i>Votes</i>
Bella Mohr	Ohl	19
Front Page	Kleinsorge	19
Arctic Splendor	Dubes	18
Dancing Ripples	H. Sass	18
Orchid Ruffles	R. Schreiner	18
Fleeta	Fay	17
On Parade	Crosby	17
Surprise Party	Kleinsorge	17
Total Eclipse	Fay	17
Gay Paree	Plough	16
Truly Fair	Plough	16
Trim	McKee	16
White Charm	Ricker	16
Yesteryear	Branch	16
Galilee	Fay	15
Hermit Thrush	Mitsch	15
Mary Ella	Rundlett	15
Young Brave	Peterson	15
Bazaar	B. Schreiner	14
Bright Halo	Randolph	14
Muted Music	D. Palmer	14
Mission Starlight	Hamblen	14
Sweet Refrain	D. Hall	14
Witch Doctor	Plough	14
Anytime	Cavagnaro	13
Brown Ensemble	Quadros	13
Constant Comment	D. Hall	13
Full Reward	Kleinsorge	13
Flirtation	C. Benson	13
Helen McCaughey	Wild	13
Her Ladyship	D. Palmer	13
Irma Melrose	DeForest	13
May Magic	R. Schreiner	13
Midnight Blue	B. Schreiner	13
Major Eff	E. Watkins	13
Pink Clover	Whiting	13
Starlift	C. Benson	13
Snow Goddess	Becherer	13
Casino	Plough	12
Dreamy	Linse	12
Gay Lavinia	R. Schreiner	12
Joan Crawford	C. Benson	12

<i>Variety</i>	<i>Originator</i>	<i>Votes</i>
Lantana	DeForest	12
Pastella	D. Hall	12
Polar Cap	Stevens	12
Sassafras	W. Scott	12
Winged Goddess	Lyon	12

HONORABLE MENTION

Varieties other than Tall Bearded

Louisiana Irises

Dixie Deb	Chowning	5
Louise Army	Army	5
Royal Velour	Conger	5
Upstart	C. Dormon	5

Dwarf Bearded Irises

Ablaze	Welch	17
Cherry Spot	Welch	14
Red Amethyst	Doriot	11
Red Gem	Welch	11
Dreamchild	Welch	7
Butterball	Zickler	6
Sky Patch	P. Cook	6
Bimbo	V. Grapes	5
Remnant	P. Cook	5
Stint	P. Cook	5

Intermediate Bearded Irises

Little Gem	Harris	9
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Spuria Irises

Katrina Nies	Nies	19
Morningtide	M. Walker	19
Fairy Lantern	Nies	14

Oncocyclus—Regelia Irises

Persian Lace	Austin	7
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California Irises

Claremont Indian	Lenz	8
Mesa Queen	Lenz	7