



AIS Awards for 1975

Votes *Dykes Memorial Medal*

381 ['Pink Taffeta'](#) (TB) (Nate Rudolph)

Runner Up:

283 Kilt Lilt (TB) (Gibson)

The Cook-Douglas Medal

Standard Dwarf Bearded irises

219 ['Cotton Blossom'](#) (Bennett Jones)

Runners Up:

61 'Dove Wings' (Earl Roberts)

58 'Wow' (Alta Brown)

The Hans And Jacob Sass Medal

Intermediate Bearded irises

89 ['Butterscotch Frills'](#) (Melba Hamblen)

Runners Up:

67 'Azure Echo' (John Durrance)

67 'Early Edition' (Keith Keppel)

66 'Annikins' (Bee Warburton)

The Knowlton Medal

Border Bearded Irises

97 ['Dresden Frills'](#) (Nate Rudolph)

Runners Up:

87 'Molten Glass' (James Marsh)

86 'Mexicali' (Keith Keppel)

The Caparne Award

Miniature Dwarf Bearded irises

47 ['Lemon Puff'](#) (Bonnie Dunbar)

Runners Up:

36 'Curio' (Ben Hager)

26 'Mini-Plic' (Alta Brown)

The Williamson-White Award

Miniature Tall Bearded irises

71 ['Bit O' Afton'](#) (Dorothy Guild)

Runners Up:

- 49 'New Idea' (Ben Hager)
- 17 'Lemon Cliché' (Dorothy Guild)
- 17 'Quirk' (Alta Brown)

The Clarence G. White Award

Aril irises and Arilbred irises with at least 50% Aril content

- 43 '[Grand Vizier](#)' (William Hawkinson)
Runners Up:
- 38 'Bangladesh' (Les Peterson)
- 29 'Radiant Smile' (Henry Danielson)

The William Mohr Award

Arilbred irises with less than 50% but at least 25% Aril content

- 52 '[Mint Parfait](#)' (Doris Foster)
Runners Up:
- 51 'Girl Watcher' (Stanley Street)
- 44 'Stitchery' (Doris Foster)

The Sydney B. Mitchell Award

Pacific Coast Native irises

- 63 '[Native Warrior](#)' (S. August Phillips)
Runners Up:
- 18 'Sierra Sapphire' (Lee Lenz)
- 15 'Western Queen' (George Stambach)

The Mary Swords Debaillon Award

Louisiana irises

- 40 '[Charlie's Michele](#)' (Charles W. Army, Jr.)
Runners Up:
- 30 'Eolian' (Charles W. Army, Jr.)
- 22 'Ira S. Nelson' (Charles W. Army, Jr.)

The Morgan-Wood Award

Siberian irises

- 38 '[Halcyon Seas](#)' (Forrest McCord)
Runners Up:
- 37 'Ausable River' (Fred Cassebeer)
- 30 'Orville Fay' (Currier McEwen)

The Eric Nies Award

Spuria irises

- 39 '[Imperial Bronze](#)' (Eleanor McCown)
Runners Up:
- 29 'Antiqua' (Bryce Williamson)
- 29 'Forty Carats' (Walker Ferguson)
- 24 'Eagle' (Ben Hager)

The Payne Award

Japanese irises

- 17 **Prairie Love Song** (Arthur H. Hazzard)
Runners Up:
16 'Stranger In Paradise' (Ben Hager)
14 'Walk In Beauty' (Lois Rich)

The Fred And Barbara Walther Cup

(Judges' Choice most votes in any category)

- 274 **Queen Of Hearts** (TB) (Opal Brown)
Runners Up:
247 'Mystique' (TB) (Joseph Ghio)
246 'White Lightning' (TB) (Joseph Gatty)
217 'Brown Lasso' (BB) (Eugene Buckles)
214 'Caramba' (TB) (Keith Keppel)
180 'Five Star Admiral' (TB) (James Marsh)
177 'Autumn Leaves' (TB) (Keith Keppel)
175 'Skylab' (TB) (Neva Sexton)
143 'Navy Strut' (TB) (Schreiner)
123 'Blushing Lemon' (TB) (Jack Boushay)
119 'Clarke Cosgrove' (SPU) (Ben Hager)
108 'Cedar Waxwing' (MTB) (Earl Roberts)
108 'Vi Luihn' (SIB) (Sydney Dubose)
103 'Anon' (TB) (James Gibson)
103 'Cheers' (IB) (Ben Hager)
96 'Copy Cat' (BB) (Joseph Ghio)
91 'Gay Parasol' (TB) (Schreiner)
90 'Lemon Brocade' (TB) (Nate Rudolph)
88 'Appleblossom Pink' (IB) (Jack Boushay)
88 'Ming Dynasty' (TB) (Steve Moldovan)
87 'Old Flame' (TB) (Joseph Ghio)
85 'Panda' (MTB) (Mary Louise Dunderman)
83 'Venetian Dancer' (TB) (Melba Hamblen)
82 'Liz' (TB) (Joseph Gatty)
80 'Beau' (SDB) (Joseph Gatty)

Tall Bearded Award of Merit

- 133 **Sea Venture** (Bennett Jones)
131 **Lemon Mist** (Nate Rudolph)
129 **Going My Way** (James Gibson)
126 **Wedding Vow** (Joseph Ghio)
105 **Winner's Circle** (Gordon Plough)
100 **Song Of Erin** (Lura Roach)
87 **Peach Frost** (Schreiner)
83 **Maestro Puccini** (Cliff Benson)
82 **Praise The Lord** (Jack Boushay)
81 **Summer Sunshine** (James Gibson)

- 78 [‘Surf Rider’](#) (James Tucker)
 77 [‘Carved Cameo’](#) (Nate Rudolph)
 77 [‘Flamingo Fling’](#) (Melba Hamblen)
 Runners Up:
 74 ‘Beaux Arts’ (Gordon Plough)
 73 ‘Cosmopolitan’ (Melba Hamblen)
 71 ‘Georgia Girl’ (Neva Sexton)
 69 ‘Angel Choir’ (Arnold Schliefert)
 69 ‘Foggy Dew’ (Keith Keppel)
 69 ‘Princess’ (Joseph Gatty)
 68 ‘Paris Opera’ (Cliff Benson)
 67 ‘Louise Watts’ (Calrence Blocher)

Standard Dwarf Bearded Award of Merit

- 80 [‘Stockholm’](#)(Bee Warburton)
 77 [‘Boo’](#) (Lynn Markham)
 77 [‘Kentucky Bluegrass’](#) (Bennett Jones)
 69 [‘Candy Apple’](#) (Melba Hamblen)
 Runners Up:
 67 ‘Demon’ (Ben Hager)
 59 ‘Silkie’ (Ben Hager)
 51 ‘Peanuts’ (Ben Hager)

Intermediate Bearded Award of Merit

- 169 [‘Vamp’](#) (Joseph Gatty)
 71 [‘Swizzle’](#) (Ben Hager)
 68 [‘Tumwater’](#) (Gordon Plough)
 Runners Up:
 58 ‘Apache Warrior’ (Alta Brown)
 50 ‘Clique’ (Keith Keppel)
 49 ‘Sweetie’ (Bee Warburton)

Border Bearded Award of Merit

- 99 [‘Raspberry Sundae’](#) (O. David Niswonger)
 89 [‘Manzanita’](#) (Melba Hamblen)
 53 [‘Oracle’](#) (Joseph Ghio)
 Runners up:
 51 ‘Tanya Elizabeth’ (Myrtle Wolff)
 43 ‘Passport’ (Joseph Ghio)
 40 ‘Ardi Loy’ (Les Peterson)

Tall Bearded Honorable Mention

- 199 [‘Queen Of Hearts’](#) (Opal Brown)
 166 [‘White Lightning’](#) (Joseph Gatty)
 137 [‘Autumn Leaves’](#) (Keith Keppel)
 126 [‘Skylab’](#) (Neva Sexton)
 112 [‘Five Star Admiral’](#) (James Marsh)

98 'Liz' (Joseph Gatty)
85 'Navy Strut' (Schreiner)
70 'Socialite' (Keith Keppel)
69 'Venetian Dancer' (Melba Hamblen)
66 'Avalon Bay' (Bernard Hamner)
65 'Lemon Brocade' (Nate Rudolph)
64 'Gay Parasol' (Schreiner)
61 'Cherished' (Glenn Corlew)
57 'Pink Ember' (James Gibson)
54 'Valley Charm' (Bernard Hamner)
52 'Schiaparelli' (Steve Moldovan)
50 'Ming Dynasty' (Steve Moldovan)
48 'Osage Buff' (James Gibson)
46 'Jack R. Dee' (Neva Sexton)
46 'Silver Shower' (Schreiner)
43 'Gypsy Belle' (Bernard Hamner)
42 'Gypsy Prince' (Melba Hamblen)
42 'Sea Of Galilee' (Neva Sexton)
41 'Lillian Terrell' (William Bledsoe)
41 'Flaming Light' (Rex Brown)
40 'Peach Taffeta' (Nate Rudolph)
40 'Solano' (alter Luihn)
39 'Swing Shift' (Neva Sexton)
39 'Touch Of Envy' (Bernard Hamner)
38 'Indigo Rim' (James Gibson)
38 'Neon Magic' (Opal Brown)
38 'Peace Offering' (Joseph Ghio)
37 'His Lordship' (Larry Gaulter)
37 'Pistachio' (Joseph Ghio)
37 'Star Spangled' (Melba Hamblen)
37 'Top Executive' (Bernard Hamner)
36 'Summer Love' (Doris Greenwood)
36 'Trill' (Collie Terrell)
35 'Islands Of Light' (Bryce Williamson) (Registered as a Border Bearded)
34 'Joyce Terry' (Tell Muhlestein)
33 'Cascade Pass' (Ruby Cooper)
33 'Sand And Sea' (Bennett Jones)
32 'Grecian Gown' (Steve Moldovan)
32 'Highland Chief' (James Gibson)
32 'Orange Empire' (Bernard Hamner)
32 'Orange Fire' (Nate Rudolph)
32 'Roundup' (Keith Keppel)
32 'Splash O' Wine' (Robert Vogel)
30 'Blushing Lemon' (Jack Boushay)
30 'Secret Society' (Gordon Plough)
30 'Soft Moonbeam' (Schreiner)
29 'Dramatic Arts' (Bryce Williamson)
29 'Lynn With Love' (Jack Boushay)

- 29 ‘[Night Hawk](#)’ (Cliff Benson)
- 29 ‘[Point Breeze](#)’ (Franklin Carr)
- 29 ‘[The Blue Boy](#)’ (Stanley Foote)
- 28 ‘[Green Eyed Lady](#)’ (Gordon Plough)
- 28 ‘[Love With Lace](#)’ (Gordon Plough)
- 28 ‘[Town And Country](#)’ (Larry Gaulter)
- 27 ‘[Baroque Prelude](#)’ (Lloyd Zurbrigg)
- 27 ‘[Beige Melody](#)’ (Nate Rudolph)
- 27 ‘[Cameo Pink](#)’ (Opal Brown)
- 27 ‘[Fashion Trend](#)’ (Dorothy Palmer)
- 27 ‘[Grand Finale](#)’ (Rex Brown)
- 27 ‘[Magic Potion](#)’ (Joseph Ghio)
- 27 ‘[Sweetwater](#)’ (Stephana Woodside)
- 27 ‘[Vernal Falls](#)’ (Bernice Roe)
- 27 ‘[Venetian Vanilla](#)’ (Cliff Benson)
- 27 ‘[Verve](#)’ (Joseph Ghio)
- 26 ‘[Crown Sterling](#)’ (Steve Moldovan)
- 26 ‘[Dream Of Love](#)’ (Glenn Corlew)
- 26 ‘[Elizabeth Miles](#)’ (Georgia Hinkle)
- 26 ‘[Fauvette](#)’ (Stephana Woodside)
- 26 ‘[Powder Peach](#)’ (Evelyn Kergerise)
- 26 ‘[Starina](#)’ (Schreiner)
- 26 ‘[Anniversary Waltz](#)’ (Dovie Brady)
- 25 ‘[Blue Reflection](#)’ (Schreiner)
- 25 ‘[Canonero](#)’ (S. Allan Corlew)
- 25 ‘[Christmas Carol](#)’ (Carroll O'Brien)

Standard Dwarf Bearded Honorable Mention

- 76 ‘[Beau](#)’ (Joesph Gatty)
- 37 ‘[Oliver](#)’ (Hooker Nichols)
- 30 ‘[Melon Honey](#)’ (Earl Roberts)
- 30 ‘[Tornado Capers](#)’ (Earl Roberts)
- 30 ‘[Toy Chest](#)’ (Opal Brown)
- 29 ‘[Kitten Kapers](#)’ (Ben Hager)
- 29 ‘[Soft Air](#)’ (Bee Warburton)
- 28 ‘[Golden Starlet](#)’ (Gordon Plough)
- 23 ‘[Altus](#)’ (Dorothy Dennis)
- 22 ‘[Carousel Princess](#)’ (Anthony & Dorothy Willott)
- 22 ‘[Gay Katy](#)’ (Wilma Greenlee)
- 21 ‘[Tawny Tone](#)’ (Melba Hamblen)
- 20 ‘[Amazon Witch](#)’ (Hooker Nichols)
- 20 ‘[Angelic](#)’ (Cleo Palmer)
- 20 ‘[Lime Freeze](#)’ (Mildred Brizendine)
- 20 ‘[Love Note](#)’ (Alta Brown)
- 20 ‘[Vim](#)’ (Schreiner)
- 19 ‘[Dache Model](#)’ (Earl Roberts)
- 18 ‘[Antique Satin](#)’ (Anthony & Dorothy Willott)

- 18 'Pale Suede' (Wilma Greenlee)
- 17 'Garnet Star' (Earl Roberts)
- 17 'Wee Bee' (Z. G. Benson)
- 16 'Emerald Rays' (Bonnie Dunbar)
- 16 'Forty Winks' (Steve Moldovan)
- 16 'Idol's Eye' (Ben Hager)
- 16 'Raspberry Halo' (Anthony & Dorothy Willott)
- 16 'Starflight' (Melba Hamblen)
- 15 'Bit O' Sky' (Alta Brown)
- 15 'Royal Carnival' (Cleo Palmer)
- 15 'Sea Change' (Bee Warburton)
- 15 'Show Baby' (Mattie Reinhardt)

Intermediate Bearded Honorable Mention

- 52 'Gay Wings' (Opal Brown)
- 51 'Appleblossom Pink' (Jack Boushay)
- 49 'Tawny' (Thomas Pray)
- 33 'Snow Gnome' (Ralph Stuart)
- 31 'Pocket Money' (Merle Daling)
- 30 'Dusky Gold' (Z. G. Benson)
- 29 'Brooklet' (Alta Brown)
- 29 'Fairy Cheeks' (Earl Roberts)
- 29 'Pharaoh's Daughter' (Jack Boushay)
- 28 'Red Tempest' (Alta Brown)
- 26 'Ruby Rose' (Bee Warburton)
- 21 'Yellow Charmer' (Stanley Street)
- 20 'Loving Touch' (Alta Brown)
- 20 'Yellow Wave' (Susan Weiler)
- 19 'Andi' (Carol Lankow)
- 18 'Frolic Time' (Alta Brown)
- 17 'Flourish' (Bee Warburton)
- 16 'Love Whisper' (Bonnie Dunbar)
- 16 'Mountain Red' (Steve Weiler)
- 15 'Spun Sugar' (Alta Brown)
- 15 'Squire' (Steve Moldovan)

Border Bearded Honorable Mention

- 75 'Copy Cat' (Joseph Ghio)
- 50 'Pink Sundae' (Fred Stephenson)
- 37 'Little Inca' (Robert Vogel)
- 36 'Tangerine Flash' (Tell Muhlestein)
- 35 'Pink Swirl' (C. Wedow)
- 31 'Erin Charm' (Fred Stephenson)
- 26 'Smoke Curls' (Lura Roach)
- 26 'Tender Moments' (Bryce Williamson)
- 25 'Snow Lemon' (Earl Roberts)
- 22 'Grandma's Chris' (Cleta Hansen)

- 17 'Clancy' (Lura Roach)
- 17 'Kansas Kid' (Helen Reynolds)
- 17 'Osage Night' (John J. Ohl)
- 16 'Folklore' (Glenn Corlew)
- 16 'Cleta' (Tell Muhlestein)
- 15 'Featurette' (Joseph Ghio)

Miniature Dwarf Bearded Honorable Mention

- 42 'Indian Jewel' (Alta Brown)
- 41 'Moon Drops' (Frank A. Williams)
- 36 'Tic Tac' (Alta Brown)
- 35 'Small Circle' (Alta Brown)
- 28 'Born Royal' (Frank A. Williams)
- 26 'Mama's Pet' (Frank A. Williams)
- 24 'Emerald Frost' (Alta Brown)
- 21 'Baby Orchid' (Alta Brown)
- 16 'Mill Pond' (Richard Rosenfels)
- 15 'Pretty Pat' (Alta Brown)
- 13 'Baby Smile' (Alta Brown)
- 13 'Baby Star' (Alta Brown)
- 13 'Doris B.' (Lillian Bierman)
- 13 'Itti Bitti White' (Frank A. Williams)
- 13 'O-Mio' (Frank A. Williams)
- 12 'Twilight Joy' (Richard Rosenfels)
- 10 'Baby Kim' (Lena Freudenburg)

Miniature Tall Bearded Honorable Mention

- 60 'Lavender Doll' (Mary Louise Dunderman)
- 58 'Cedar Waxwing' (Earl Roberts)
- 32 'Lunar Dust' (Frank A. Williams)
- 28 'Dainty Pastel' (Alta Brown)
- 22 'Otav' (William Snell)
- 20 'Tutone Elegance' (Walter Welch)
- 19 'Virginia Bellringer' (Dorothy Guild)
- 16 'Timpala' (Earl Roberts)
- 16 'Toneen' (William Snell)
- 15 'Varibo' (William Snell)
- 13 'Dainty Petite' (Alta Brown)
- 12 'Punchinello' (Dorothy Guild)

Arilbred Honorable Mention

- 29 'Tiny Tyke' (Lois Rich)
- 23 'Arabian Lights' (Doris Foster)
- 22 'Moon Star' (Doris Foster)
- 22 'Regal Plus' (George Mayberry)
- 21 'Carioca' (H. Valmar Slamova-William Hawkinson)
- 21 'Grecian Form' (Doris Foster)

- 18 [‘Isle Of Zoar’](#) (Fred Gadd)
- 18 [‘Syrian Scroll’](#) (Doris Foster)
- 17 [‘Daglari’](#) (Lois Rich)
- 15 [‘Judean Jewel’](#) (Doris Foster)
- 13 [‘Irish Touch’](#) (Les Peterson)
- 13 [‘Leo's Magic’](#) (Leo Clark)
- 13 [‘Myown Joy’](#) (Leda Christlieb)
- 12 [‘Enchanted Hour’](#) (William Hawkinson)
- 12 [‘Garden Of Babylon’](#) (Doris Foster)
- 12 [‘Pogo Doll’](#) (Leda Christlieb)
- 12 [‘Temple Veil’](#) (William Hawkinson)
- 12 [‘Thief Of Bagdad’](#) (Doris Foster)
- 11 [‘Seventh Praise’](#) (Les Peterson)
- 10 [‘Bedouin Woman’](#) (Herb McKusick)
- 10 [‘Biskra’](#) (David Lorenz)
- 10 [‘Fisherman's Net’](#) (Harry Tate)
- 10 [‘Hidden Violets’](#) (Doris Foster)
- 10 [‘Royal Affair’](#) (John Holden)

Pacific Coast Native (Californicae) Honorable Mention

- 58 [‘Kittee’](#) (Thornton Abell)
- 43 [‘Los Gatos’](#) (Joseph Ghio)
- 36 [‘Bonny Doon’](#) (Joseph Ghio)
- 33 [‘Augie’](#) (S. August Phillips)
- 31 [‘Pacific Moon’](#) (Ben Hager)
- 21 [‘Ficus’](#) (Roswell H. Johnson)
- 16 [‘Orchid Re-Sprite’](#) (Robert Hubley)
- 14 [‘Garden Delight’](#) (George Stambach)
- 13 [‘Swirling Mist’](#) (Jean Witt) (Registration Classification: CAL-SIB)
- 12 [‘Casilda’](#) (Jack McCaskill)

Louisiana Honorable Mention

- 43 [‘Lime Star’](#) (Eleanor McCown)
- 36 [‘Inez Conger’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 33 [‘Mary Dunn’](#) (Ben Hager)
- 30 [‘Price Redmond’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 18 [‘Ellene Rockwell’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 17 [‘Scamp’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 15 [‘Carmen’](#) (Ken Durio)
- 15 [‘Jane McSparrin’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 15 [‘Medora Wilson’](#) (Marvin Granger)
- 13 [‘Dark Bavou’](#) (Carl Wyatt)
- 13 [‘Gulf Coast’](#) (Marvin Granger)
- 12 [‘Charlie's Marie’](#) (Charles W. Army)
- 12 [‘Naughty Lady’](#) (Joseph Ghio)
- 11 [‘Creole Flame’](#) (Carl Wyatt)
- 11 [‘Sundown Shadows’](#) (Joseph Ghio)

11 'Triple Treat' (Welshans)

Siberian Honorable Mention

- 66 '[Vi Luihn](#)' (Sydney Dubose)
33 '[Silver Edge](#)' (Currier McEwen)
33 '[Starsteps](#)' (Ben Hager)
32 '[Dark Desire](#)' (Steve Varner)
30 '[Navy Brass](#)' (Currier McEwen)
28 '[Maranatha](#)' (Steve Varner)
28 '[Savoir Faire](#)' (Sydney Dubose)
21 '[Timeless](#)' (Larry Harder)
18 '[Marlya](#)' (Steve Varner)
17 '[Augury](#)' (William McGarvey)
16 '[Yankee Consul](#)' (Currier McEwen)
13 '[Blue Forty](#)' (Currier McEwen)
13 '[Floating Island](#)' (Currier McEwen)
10 '[Blue Burgee](#)' (Currier McEwen)
10 '[Snow Bounty](#)' (Currier McEwen)

Japanese Honorable Mention

- 33 '[Tuptim](#)' (Lois Rich)
15 '[Evening Reverie](#)' (Frederick Maddocks)

Spuria Honorable Mention

- 55 '[Imperial Plum](#)' (Eleanor McCown)
52 '[Buttered Chocolate](#)' (O. David Niswonger)
49 '[Ripe Wheat](#)' (Walker Ferguson)
47 '[Mood Music](#)' (Bryce Williamson)
46 '[Sarong](#)' (Ben Hager)
29 '[Purple Profundo](#)' (Walker Ferguson)
17 '[Char-True](#)' (Tell Muhlestein)
16 '[Fountain Flow](#)' (Bernice Roe)

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