Exhibition Committee Report

By E. Roy Epperson, Exhibitions Chair

OR THE YEAR 2001, 182 SHOW SCHEDULES WERE evaluated/approved. Of these, 177 were spring shows and 5 were fall shows. 6 spring shows were cancelled. There was at least one show scheduled in each Region, except Region 16 (Canada). Region 22 (Arkansas and Oklahoma) mounted the most shows - nineteen!

Seventeen shows earned Youth Silver and Bronze Medals, 106 shows had Adult Artistic Divisions and awarded the Best Design of Show Certificate/Rosette, 28 shows awarded Youth Best Design of Show Certificates/Rosettes.

Tall bearded irises were chosen Best Specimen at 109 shows, LA (9), MTB (8), IB (7), JI (6), SPEC (6), and BB (5). All other iris types had fewer than 5 as Best Specimen of Show.

The Nelson Award to honor the iris which has most often been selected Best Specimen of the Show in an AIS accredited show during 2001: CONJURATION (6 shows), DUSKY CHALLENGER (5 shows), and STAIRWAY TO HEAVEN and SILVERADO (3 shows). (Five spring shows still have not been reported.) No other iris cultivar was selected Best Specimen more than two times.

In Memoriam

Mrs. Peter Baukus (Wisconsin)
John Evers (Colorado)
Dorothy M. Harrison (Texas)
Mrs. Karol Hujsak (Oklahoma)
Jim Loveland (Missouri)
Jeanne C. Mook (California)
Mrs. Theodore (Amelia) Mueller
Mrs. Cyrus Stanley (Oklahoma)
Nadine Yunker (Wisconsin)