



2015 Society for Louisiana Irises Convention Schedule

PRELIMINARY TIMELINE - ALL CONVENTION ACTIVITIES SUBJECT TO CHANGE

Hilton Garden Inn ● 2015 Old Minden Road ● Bossier City, LA 71111

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 20

5:00 - 7:00 PM - Convention check-in at Hotel & greetings for those on Thursday tour

7:00 - 9:00 PM - Board Meeting in hospitality suite

THURSDAY, APRIL 21

8:00 AM - Bus departs Hilton Garden Inn

8:45 AM - Bus arrives at Newton/Taylor Garden in Mooringsport, LA for Coffee, Snacks, Juice

10:30 AM - Depart Newton/Taylor Garden

11:00 AM - Bus arrives at Plantation Point Nursery, Mooringsport, LA

11:00 AM to 12:00 PM - View irises

12:00 to 1:00 PM - Catered "Cajun" lunch on patio with entertainment

1:00 to 3:00 PM - View irises and demonstrations

3:45 PM - Arrive at hotel

3:00 PM to 6:00 PM - Free time! See the list of possible activities in your envelope

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM - Welcome Mixer - check schedule in your envelope

7:00 PM - Dinner on your own, see list of nearby restaurants in your envelope

FRIDAY, APRIL 22

8:00 AM - Bus departs hotel for Norton Gallery and Gardens, 4747 Creswell Avenue, Shreveport, Louisiana

8:30 AM - Bus arrives at Norton Gallery Gardens - coffee, snacks and juice

10:00 AM - Bus leaves Norton Gallery Gardens for drive to Briarwood Nature Preserve, Saline, LA

12:00 Noon - Bus arrives at Briarwood, Caroline Dorman Nature Center, Saline, LA

12:00 to 1:00 PM - Catered BBQ lunch served

1:00 PM to 3:00 PM - Tours of Briarwood

3:00 PM - Tour bus departs Briarwood for hotel

4:30 PM - Tour bus arrives at hotel, Bossier City

4:30 PM to 6:00 PM - Free time

6:00 PM to 7:00 PM - Cash Bar, Room TBA

7:00 PM to 9:00 PM - Chef's Choice Buffet Dinner and Slide Show of new hybrids - Room TBA - ticket required

SATURDAY, APRIL 23

7:00 AM to 10 AM - Show entries accepted - Hilton Garden Inn - Room TBA

8:00 AM to 9:00 AM - General membership meeting - Hilton Garden Inn - Room TBA

9:00 AM to 11:00 AM - Scientific presentation TBA (same room)

10:15 AM to 11:30 AM - Judging of Show Room TBA

11:30 AM to 12:30 PM - Show open to members only - member voting

12:30 PM to 5:30 PM - Show open to public, members free time, lunch on your own, see local sights

5:30 PM to 6:30 PM - Cash bar, silent auction, Holiday Inn, room TBA

6:30 PM to 7:30 PM - Awards banquet and presentation of awards - ticket required

7:30 PM to 10:00 PM - Live auction

SUNDAY, APRIL 24

8:00 AM to 10 AM - Judges training (Two hours in the garden judging Louisiana irises) - instructor to be determined - In the garden at Plantation Point - we will carpool - \$5 each judge fee - meet at hotel lobby at 7:45 AM