



Bayou *and* Marsh

Newsletter of the Greater New Orleans Iris Society

LABOR OF LOVE

HELPING THE IRISES RECOVER

In the spirit of Katrina recovery, we've added a workday to the fall schedule to help Longue Vue replant its iris beds. So now, there are two important dates.

City Park

October 6, 9AM -Noon, City Park. Meet at the entrance to the Sculpture Garden behind the Museum of Art.

Iris planting in City Park continues with a big push to place newly donated irises in the Sidney and Walda Besthoff Sculpture Garden and elsewhere. The planting will make a great impact in the years ahead. It will add greatly to the irises now in the Botanical Garden and along the lagoons.

Just bring your gloves, a hat, and sunscreen. Tools will be provided. This will be a few brief hours in a beautiful and interesting setting, followed by a rewarding spring view.

Longue Vue

September 22, 9AM -Noon in the Wild Garden at Longue Vue. Go to the right of the gatehouse as you enter, then swing around to the left to park.

The gardens at Longue Vue have long been an excellent place to see Louisiana irises. The original plantings by Caroline Dormon in the Wild Garden in the 1940s have been rejuvenated a few times over the years, but there was a loss of plants due the salt water pushed through the levee breach after Katrina.

The task on September 22 will be to replant the beds along the long Iris walk in the Wild Garden. In addition to gloves, a hat and sunscreen, bring hand pruners if you have them. This will be a few easy hours in an historic iris setting.



GNOIS Schedule

Fall – Winter – Spring, 2007

Saturday, September 22 9:00 AM – Noon	Workday at Longue Vue replanting iris beds in the Wild Garden. Meet in the Wild Garden.
Saturday, October 6, City Park, 9 AM – Noon	Workday at City Park, planting irises in the Sydney and Walda Besthoff Sculpture Garden. Meet at the entrance to the Sculpture Garden behind the Museum of Art.
Saturday November 3, 9:30 – 11:30 AM	General Meeting: Program: Restoring New Orleans' Iris Rainbow: Carrying On the Work of Begun in the 1930s; Election of Officers (location to be announced)
Saturday, January 19, 9:30 – 11:30 AM	General Meeting (location to be announced)
Saturday, March 1, 9:30 – 11:30 AM	General Meeting: Planning for Spring Activities (location to be announced)
Early April	Spring Garden activities (to be planned)
April 11-13	Society for Louisiana Irises Convention and Show, Lafayette
Early April	Celebration of the Louisiana Iris, Jean Lafitte
Revised!	

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