

2026 AIS CONVENTION - NJ & NY

SCHEDULE OF MEETINGS & EVENTS

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MONDAY, May 18, 2026*

12:00noon - 3:00pm	Registration set-up (Salon A)
3:00pm - 6:00pm	Registration (Salon A)
3:00pm - 9:00pm	AIS Silent Auction (Setup) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
3:00pm - 9:00pm	Boutique (Setup) (Setup) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
3:00pm - 9:00pm	Farr Exhibit (Setup - Salon C)
6:00pm - 9:00pm	Dinner on Your Own - Board Social at Presby House

TUESDAY, May 19, 2026*

9:00am - 7:00pm	Registration (Salon A)
9:00am - 4:00pm	Optional Tour: New York Botanical Garden (Load 7:15, depart 7:45)
9:00am - 4:00pm	AIS Storefront (Salon B) Set UP
12:00pm - 3:00pm	AIS Silent Auction (Setup) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Boutique (Setup) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
12:00pm - 3:00pm	Farr Exhibit (Setup) (Salon C)
12:00pm - 2:00pm	Lunch on your own
3:00pm - 5:00pm	AIS Silent Auction (Opens) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
3:00pm - 5:00pm	Boutique (Opens) (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
3:00pm - 5:00pm	Farr Exhibit (Opens) (Salon C)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Meeting w/ new attendees (Salon D)
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Cash Bar
7:30pm - 9:00pm	Welcome Banquet (Salons 4-5)

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WEDNESDAY, May 20, 2026

8:00am - 8:45am	Registration (Salon A)
9:00am - 9:30am	Breakfast in-garden
9:00am - 3:00pm	Brooklyn Botanic Garden (lunch included, in Palm House) (Load 7:15, depart 7:45) AIS History discussion panel in BBG auditorium
4:30pm - 5:00pm	Bus Captains Meeting (Morris)
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Aril Society International Program (Salon D)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Dinner on your own
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Spuria program (Salon E)
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Dwarf Iris Society (Liberty)
8:00pm - 9:00pm	Novelty Irises Program (Salon D)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	AIS Storefront (Salon B)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Boutique and Silent Auction (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	Farr Exhibit (Salon C)

THURSDAY, May 21, 2026

8:00am - 8:45am	Registration (Salon A)
9:00am - 9:30am	Breakfast in-garden

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9:00am - 3:00pm	Garden Presby Memorial Iris Garden (lunch included) (busses load at 8:00am, leave at 8:30am) HIPS Program - at Presby
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Median Iris Society (Salon D)
4:00pm - 5:00pm	Bus Captains Meeting (Morris)
5:00pm - 6:00pm	Reblooming Iris Society (Salon E)
6:00pm - 7:00pm	Dinner on your own
7:00pm - 8:00pm	Louisiana Iris Society (Salon D)
6:00pm - 8:00pm	AIS Storefront (Salon B)
6:00pm - 10:00pm	AIS Silent Auction (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia) (Bids Close 10:00pm)
6:00pm - 10:00pm	Boutique (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia)
6:00pm - 10:00pm	Farr Exhibit (Salon C)
8:00pm - 9:00pm	Judges Training (Salon E) (perhaps till 10:00 p.m.)

FRIDAY, May 22, 2026

7:00am	AIS Silent Auction Winning Bids Posted
7:30am - 7:45am	Registration (Salon A)
9:00am - 9:30am	Breakfast in-garden
9:00am - 4:00pm	Garden Tours Rutgers Gardens (lunch included) (Load 7:15, depart 7:45. Will leave Rutgers Gardens at 4:00pm)
	Geek Auction in-garden, right after lunch - No charge
5:30pm - 6:30pm	Siberian Program (Salon E)
5:45pm - 6:45pm	Bus Captains Meeting (Morris Room)

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5:00pm	Dinner on your own
6:30pm - 8:30pm	AIS Silent Auction (Lincoln-Holland-Columbia) Closed (Please pay winning bids) Pick up items only.
6:30pm - 8:30pm	Boutique Closed
6:30pm - 8:30pm	Farr Exhibit (Salon C) Closed
6:30pm - 7:30pm	Japanese Iris Society (Salon E)
7:30pm - 8:30pm	SIGNA program
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Past, Present, Future Convention Chairpersons Meeting
8:30pm - 9:30pm	Judges Training - Salon E (Subject TBD)

SATURDAY, May 23, 2026

7:30am - 7:45am	Registration (Salon A)
9:00am - 3:30pm	Garden Tours Gary Slagle Garden (lunch included) (Load 7:15, depart 7:45 - depart Slagle garden at 3:00 p.m.)
4:30pm	Deadline For Ballots. Ballot Boxes (Salon A)
5:00pm - 6:30pm	Live Auction
6:30pm - 7:00pm	Cash bar (Salons 1-3)
7:00pm - 9:00pm	Awards Banquet (Salons 4-5)

*Monday and Tuesday are set-up days and volunteers are needed!