## Garden Event

5-13-24, 9:15am-12:45pm, The Beautiful World of Irises with Andi Rivarola, Los Angeles 90027

Description = Los Angeles Garden Club hosts Andi Rivarola. Equipped with a green thumb from early childhood, Andi Rivarola has been growing irises since 2003, after he joined the San Fernando Valley Iris Society (SFVIS) in Los Angeles, where he's currently serving as President for the third time. He's also the club's newsletter editor, and Show Chair. Although Andi grows many iris varieties, he loves spuria irises. He grew up to fifty varieties of spurias at his home garden in Los Angeles, and now also grows tall bearded irises, median irises, species, arilbreds, and Siberian. Currently, he's focusing on growing more California native plants of all types. As an avid Irisarian and current President and Judge of the The American Iris Society (AIS), Andi has attended many national and international conventions, such as in Florence, Italy, in Paris, France, and in Timaru, New Zealand, where he was the featured speaker. While attending the 2015 Spuria Iris Society convention in Portland, Oregon, Andi was asked to serve as VP for the society, which he did for six years. In 2017 he became the President of the Spuria Iris Society, a position he holds to this day. Andi has served and is still serving in many capacities, and in 2021, he was awarded the Distinguished Service Medal by The American Iris Society.

Cost = Free for first-time guests

Location = Griffith Park Visitor's Center Auditorium, 4730 Crystal Springs Dr (next to Park Ranger Station), Los Angeles 90027

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