

## 2018 Rhizome Sale Preview

Confirmation has been received that our supplier for the 2018 sale will be Aitken's Salmon Creek Gardens! Terry and wife Barbara have promised us a great selection of bearded iris comprising their own introductions from recent years as well as from those hybridizers for which they introduce which include Chuck Bunnell, Chad Harris, Stephanie Markham, Marky Smith, and Kevin Vaughn. We don't know exactly what we will be getting yet (that is one of the reasons we are able to negotiate such a great deal which we can pass on to our members) but if you would like to have a look at their website and familiarize yourself with their offerings, please have a look at:

<https://flowerfantasy.net/>

The Rhizome Sale Committee has scheduled the sale to run from Monday, July 30th to Friday, August 3rd depending, of course, on arrival of the iris. Terry and Barbara have assured me they will arrive on time but with Canada Border Services, one never knows. The list will be sent to members' inboxes at precisely 7 pm (barring any technical glitches which have been known to happen). Since orders are filled on a first come, first served basis, time is of the essence in ensuring all of your first choices are available.

The sale will be augmented by donations from our members as well. If we get all that have been promised, it is going to be quite the list to choose from this year so you will have to be fast. There is still time to donate so contact BJ Jackson if you find you have a few extra you don't want or need.

We strongly recommend that you review last year's sale instructions on the CWIS website to reacquaint yourself with the process. It is basically the same this year but a few changes are being made so **READ THEM CAREFULLY** when they arrive with the list in your inbox. And most of all, have fun while you acquire some new beauties for your garden. That is, after all, what it is all about.