

Sumter's first Iris Festival was held in 1940, and has been consistently ranked as one of the top festivals in the Southeastern United States. Every

Memorial Day weekend, gorgeous Japanese irises bloom, forming the backdrop for three days of flowers, food and family fun!

Join thousands of travelers from all over the world in celebration of Swan Lake Iris Gardens!



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Swan Lake Iris Gardens
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May 27-29, 2016



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Festival

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Iris Festival

2016 Schedule of Events

SATURDAY, MAY 21

Iris Festival Pageant

Sumter High School Auditorium, 10:30 a.m.

THURSDAY, MAY 26

Ribbon Cutting/Crowning of the King & Queen

Heath Pavilion, 5:15 p.m.

Taste at the Gardens featuring **Terence Lonon & the Untouchables**, Garden Street Stage, 6 - 9 p.m.
(Entry tickets for sale at gate only)

FRIDAY, MAY 27

Palmetto Health Tuomey Community Health Initiatives FREE Screening, Swan Lake Visitors Center, 9 - 11 a.m. (*Hypertension, Cholesterol, Diabetes - Requires 12-hour fast*)

"Just Kidding Around," Children's Area - Palmetto Amusements, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (*Rides, Blow-ups & More!*)

Children's Art in the Park, Bland Gardens, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Please note: Children's Area activities are FREE unless otherwise indicated and will be held in the playground area and near the Main Stage, with the exception of **Children's Art in the Park**, held in the **Bland Gardens** on the north side of West Liberty Street.



Friday - Saturday, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m.

Sunday, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Arts & Crafts/Food Court/Marketplace/
Swan Lake Boat Rides/ Live Entertainment/
Art in the Gardens/Gateway to Gardening/
"Soaring through the Decades"

SATURDAY, MAY 28

Head Turnerz Classic Car Show

Bland Gardens, 9 a.m. - 4 p.m.

"Just Kidding Around," Children's Area - Games2U & Palmetto Amusements, 10 a.m. - 6 p.m. (*Rides, Blow-ups, Video Games, Laser Tag, Giant Human Hamster Ball, and More!*)

"The World of Welding," presented by **Central Carolina Technical College** - Changing Lives through Education

Children's Art in the Park, Bland Gardens, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

Mary Hinson Flower Show, "Celebrating the Festivals of SC," Alice Boyle Garden Center, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

SAFE Kids Adventureland, sponsored by **SAFE Kids Sumter County & the Tuomey Foundation**, 10 a.m. - 4 p.m.

- **Kiwanis Kids Fingerprinting**
- **Bike Rodeo**
- **Informational Displays...and more!**

Introduction of Iris Kings & Queens Main Stage, 12 p.m.

East Coast Golf Cart Show

Visitors Center Lawn, 11 a.m. - 5 p.m.

11th Annual Shrine Day Parade hosted by **The Jamil Streakers**, West Liberty Street, 8:00 p.m. (*Begins at Sumter County Fairgrounds*)

SUNDAY, MAY 29

Sumter Cruisers Show & Shine

Garden Street, 10 a.m. - 5 p.m.

"Just Kidding Around," Children's Area, presented by Games2U & Palmetto Amusements, 12 - 5 p.m.

Children's Art in the Park, Bland Gardens, 12 - 5 p.m.

Mary Hinson Flower Show, "Celebrating the Festivals of SC," Alice Boyle Garden Center, 1 - 4 p.m.

All events subject to change or cancellation. Updated schedule available online at www.irisfestival.org