



Rose Petals



Short Rose-Related Info-Bits to Stay Connected

October 15, 2024 Edition

2024 HRS General Membership Meeting

Mahalo to the 20 HRS members who joined us for our annual General Membership Meeting on October 13th via Zoom.

President Myrna Cariaga called to the meeting to order shortly after 10am and Cathy Matsuzaki – Vice President Internal; Marsha Yokomichi – Treasurer, Rose School Chair, and Newsletter Editor; and Janice Fukuda – Membership Director gave us updates regarding their areas of responsibility.

The biggest news of the day was the nomination of new HRS Officers for the 2025-2026 term. The nomination period ran from August 18, 2024 to October 10, 2024. Since there was only one person who expressed interest in running for each of the HRS Officer positions, Nominating Committee Chair - Cathy Matsuzaki, deemed that no voting would be necessary this year. She, instead, presented



the following slate of nominees for approval and ratification: President **Frank Dumlao**; Vice President Internal **Janice Fukuda**; Vice President External **Myrna Cariaga**; Secretary **Lynn Koba**; and Treasurer **Deena Gary**. She thanked these veteran HRS members for volunteering to take on their leadership roles for the HRS in 2025-2026.

Stepping down on December 31, 2024 will be Myrna Cariaga as President; Cathy Matsuzaki as Vice President Internal; and Marsha Yokomichi as Treasurer. Taking over on January 1, 2025 will be

President-Elect **Frank Dumlao**; Vice President Internal-Elect **Janice Fukuda**; Vice President External-Elect **Myrna Cariaga**; **Lynn Koba** will continue as Secretary; and Treasurer-Elect **Deena Gary**. Congratulations to our new HRS Officers!

Please note, for continuity sake and because the position was vacant, **Myrna** has committed to working as the Vice President External position for at least one year.

She is willing to have someone shadow her so that they can eventually take over. If anyone is interested in working with Myrna to train for the Vice President External position, please let Nominating Committee Chair Cathy Matsuzaki know ASAP. You can reach Cathy at cathymatsuzaki@gmail.com.

Shrub Spotlight: *Anne Boleyn*



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

By Cathy Matsuzaki

The beautiful Shrub rose **Anne Boleyn** enchants with its medium-sized rosette-shaped blossoms which exhibit a soft warm light pink hue with a subtly darker reverse.

According to the David Austin Roses website, this exquisite rose features “just a hint of a button eye”, a characteristic where the darker base on each petal gives the appearance of an “eye”. Each very full bloom with symmetrically arranged petals is packed with approximately 110 petals and measures about 2-1/4” in diameter.

Borne mostly solitary on graceful arching branches, **Anne Boleyn** also produces impressive large sprays of cupped rosettes in small clusters, creating an awe-inspiring presence in the garden. **Anne Boleyn** is a good repeat bloomer, flowering in abundant flushes

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HRS Reminders

Fall Rose Show at Pearlridge Mall

After many years, we are excited to announce a return to Pearlridge Shopping Center for our 2024 Fall Rose Show. Please see an email message from Cathy regarding more info on the event happening on: **Saturday, October 26th, 10am-2pm with setup starting at 7am.**

HRS Propagation Workshop

The much-anticipated HRS Rose Propagation Workshop will be taking place on **Saturday, November 16th, 10am-12noon** with potluck lunch to follow at Aiea United Methodist Church. RSVP Required. Due to limited space and supplies, no walk-ins will be allowed. Please email Marsha at myokomichi@hawaii.rr.com to reserve your space.

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throughout the season from late spring through fall.

With its low, bushy and spreading growth habit, **Anne Boleyn** forms a neat medium-sized mounded shrub adorned with semi-glossy, medium green foliage. At maturity, it reaches heights and widths of 3 to 4 feet, making it an ideal choice for garden beds, mixed borders, rose hedges or containers. It thrives best in full sunlight and provides a visually stunning contrast with its delicate pink flowers against its green backdrop. **Anne Boleyn** also makes an excellent cut flower adding a touch of elegance indoors with its mild fragrance.

Bred by renowned rose hybridizer David C. H. Austin in the United Kingdom in 1990, **Anne Boleyn** was introduced by David Austin Roses Limited in the United Kingdom in 1999 as "Ee/2b/91". Its parentage stems from *Graham Thomas* (a deep



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

yellow Shrub rose bred by David Austin in 1983) and an unnamed seedling. Its registration name is AUSEcret.

The namesake for this charming rose is Anne Boleyn who reigned as Queen of England from 1533 to 1536 as the second wife of King Henry VIII. This rose evokes the same allure and tragedy that marked Anne's life. King Henry's infatuation with Anne led to their secret marriage while he was still married to Catherine of Aragon.

Although Anne gave birth to a daughter, Elizabeth, she failed to produce a male heir to the throne that Henry desired. While still married to Anne, Henry became interested in one of Anne's ladies-in-waiting, Jane Seymour.

In May of 1536, Anne was accused and arrested of adultery, incest and treason, leading to her execution. Anne was buried in an unmarked grave in the Chapel of St. Peter ad Vincula. Her final resting place was later identified and marked during the renovation of the chapel under Queen Victoria's reign.

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Hybrid Musk Spotlight: *Ballerina*



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

By Cathy Matsuzaki

Editor's Note: It's interesting to note that any person who dances ballet is called a "ballet dancer." The term "Ballerina" is reserved for only the best ballet dancers. In the rose world, the **Ballerina** rose is a captivating Hybrid Musk variety that delivers billowing clouds of light to medium pink small single roses accented by white centers and striking gold stamens. One can draw immediate parallels between a ballerina dancer and the **Ballerina**

rose. Both can be described as beautiful, dainty, and delicate. Both draw the admiring attention and praises of those who stop to take notice of their amazing grace and exceptional beauty. One can almost imagine each bloom in each cluster of the **Ballerina** rose doing pirouettes in the wind while Tchaikovsky's *Swan Lake* plays in the background.

Each delicate **Ballerina** bloom is comprised of 4 to 8 petals, measuring approximately 1 to 2 inches in diameter. **Ballerina** is a reliable and prolific bloomer, blooming in flushes from summer to fall. It produces a profusion of large clustered sprays reminiscent of hydrangea heads, making it an impressive sight to behold. These petite blossoms stand out nicely against the attractive light green airy foliage. Once the leaves begin to drop in late fall, the rose plant forms small clusters of vibrant orange-red rose hips.

With a mild musk fragrance, **Ballerina** reaches heights of 4 to 6 feet and widths of 3 to 5 feet. As with most roses, **Ballerina** does best in full sunlight, but it is able to tolerate partial shade. However, it is somewhat susceptible to Blackspot. Its versatile growth habit makes it suitable as a flowering hedge, in mixed borders, beds, or pots and containers. While **Ballerina** can be pruned to grow as a compact medium shrub, it can also be allowed to grow freely as a climber on pillars and arches. **Ballerina** also makes an ideal cut flower, especially since it has few to no prickles and thorns.

Bred by Ann and John Bentall in the United Kingdom in 1937, the **Ballerina** rose was once thriving in the UGC Rose Garden in one of the terraced beds leading up the pathway towards the main Rose Garden. The two bushes gracefully arched their branches over the

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Hybrid Musk

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paver stone wall, cascading naturally to showcase their delicate pink blooms.

In researching this rose, I could not find any information regarding its parentage. The Help Me Find website indicates that this is a "triploid" rose, meaning this rose plant has three sets of chromosomes instead of the typical two sets found in diploid plants. In 1993, ***Ballerina*** was the winner of the prestigious Award of Garden Merit of the Royal Horticultural Society.

The former HRS volunteer rose maintenance crew at the UGC will be happy to hear that when the garden closed in May 2023, HRS Member Ann Ho adopted one of the *Ballerina* rose plants and took it home to care for it.



Photo by Mary Ann R.

As you can see, the ***Ballerina*** rose plant that Ann adopted is thriving!

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Rose Care Tidbit: *Black Scales*

By Marsha Yokomichi & Myrna Cariaga
HRS Master Rosarians

HRS Members Elizabeth N. and Kelvin L. write, "We did run across one new critter that is on a very tall rosebush from Maui. Any kind of identification and ideas on how to get rid of them other than just swiping them off would be greatly appreciated. Nasty buggers!"



Photos by Elizabeth and Kelvin

Identification

Cathy Matsuzaki actually spotted this same bad insect in our former Urban Garden Center Rose Garden in May 2020. This dark brown Armored Scale was first seen in the UGC Rose Garden several years before Cathy's sighting but thankfully, they were not very common. Like the more familiar whitish Armored Scale that we are used to seeing, all Scales are bad because they suck nutrients from the host plant.

The following excerpts are taken from an article that Myrna Cariaga previously wrote about Scales. Armored Scales are soft-bodied insects that are covered with a wax-like coating that serves as a barrier to protect it from any outside threats such as pesticides and predators.

Armored Scales come in a variety of shapes and colors, however in Hawaii, it's common to find white or gray Armored Scales that have a circular shape--much like a small "opihi." Because Armored Scales lose their legs after they mature, they don't move very far from where they originally hatched. Once mature, their microscopic teeth are able to pierce through the walls of stems and suck nutrients from the plant. It

takes approximately six weeks for an armored scale to reach maturity and thus, there are numerous generations born in just a few short months.

Management

To control minor Armored Scale infestation at the crawler (immature) stage, beneficial insects such as ladybugs are the best natural enemies. Once Armored Scales mature, they are more difficult to eliminate because of their protective wax-like coating. If beneficial insects are absent from your garden, or if the Scale population has become overwhelming, then you may have to intervene. You should always start with the lowest level of toxicity and gradually increase the degree of toxicity only if necessary.

Spraying horticultural oils such as Volck Oil or Sun Spray Ultra Fine Oil. You should use caution whenever using oil-based sprays, so as not to cause damage to your plants. Our warm climate and direct sunlight can heat up these oils very quickly, which in turn, can burn your leaves and canes. Also, do not use any form of dormant oil, which can cause additional adverse reactions to your rose plants.

An Organic Alternative. If you have just a few rose plants infested with this critter, you can knock them off with a toothbrush or scrape them off with an old credit card. If you have many plants infested with Scales, the better option would be to spray them with a strong stream of water.

Once they are knocked off of your plant, they have difficulty crawling back up. They may come back periodically but just spray them with a strong stream of water to knock them to the ground again. Remember, your goal is to decrease the Scale population so that beneficial insects in your garden can regain the upper hand.



Armchair Traveler: Roses at Disneyland

By Marsha Yokomichi
HRS Master Rosarian

Have you ever noticed roses growing at the Disneyland, the *Happiest Place on Earth*? I had a chance to visit three Disneylands located in Anaheim, California; in Chiba, Japan; and in Marne-la-Vallee, France over the last couple of years and here's what I saw.

Anaheim, California – Disneyland



Iceberg roses growing as tree roses at the entrance. Climbing roses on trellises and Iceberg white roses at the foreground just outside the main gate.



Chiba, Japan - Tokyo Disneyland



Vibrant orange roses growing on Sleeping Beauty's castle grounds.



Hot pink roses in full-bloom under a tree. Likely planted there when they were already budding.



Marne-la-Vallee, France - Paris Disneyland



Two beautiful roses growing just outside Sleeping Beauty's castle.



Unfortunately, there were no name plates displayed with all of these roses so I have no idea what varieties they were. I do know that they were not the Floribunda Disneyland Rose displayed here at the entrance of Keisei Rose in Chiba, Japan.



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