



Rose Petals



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Shrub Rose Spotlight: *Morning Has Broken*

By Cathy Matsuzaki

Editor's Note: The song, "Morning Has Broken" made famous by English musician Cat Steven's recording in 1972 is based on a Christian hymn first published in 1931. The song was so popular that it became the singer's greatest hit and reached number one on the

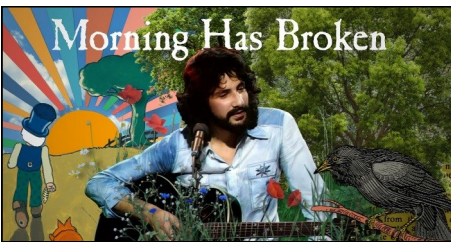


Photo source: YouTube/Cat Stevens Morning Has Broken

U.S. Easy Listening Music chart in 1972. The hymn's as well as the song's purpose was to give thanks for each day. The simple and clear lyrics made the song an instant hit and one can still periodically hear the song being played on old-time local radio stations. *Morning has broken; Like the first morning. Blackbird has spoken; Like the first bird. Praise for the singing; Praise for the morning. Praise for the springing fresh from the world.*

The rose, ***Morning Has Broken***, is a beautiful medium-yellow Shrub rose which was bred by John Clements in the United States in 1996. Named after the beloved old Scottish hymn, ***Morning Has Broken*** was especially dear to Louise Clement, John Clements'

wife, who chose it as the song for their wedding.



Heirloom Roses, Inc. introduced it as ***Morning Has Broken*** in 1996. The parentage of this roses stems from *Gratham Thomas* (a

deep yellow Shrub rose bred by David C. H. Austin) and *Gold Badge* [a medium yellow Floribunda rose bred by Marie-Louise (Louissette) Meilland (Paolino)].

The blossoms of ***Morning Has Broken*** are semi-double with each

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Shrub Rose Spotlight: *Port Sunlight*



Photo by Myrna Cariaga

By Cathy Matsuzaki

In keeping with our theme regarding the morning sun, we now continue with, ***Port Sunlight***, a rose whose color resembles the warmer afternoon sun as it completes its day.

Port Sunlight is a Shrub rose with

gorgeous old-fashioned rosette-shaped, flat, quartered blossoms that exude elegance and charm. The pointed, ovoid buds unfurl to notably large flowers, reaching around 3-1/2 inches across, with each bloom consisting of up to 90 delicate petals.

Port Sunlight features an apricot hue, starting rich in color at the center and subtly fading in shade towards the outer petals. The blossoms have a moderate tea fragrance that adds to their appeal, making each bloom both visually and aromatically pleasing. Typically borne singly, ***Port Sunlight*** displays medium to large, fully double, cupped flowers that bloom in abundant flushes throughout the season, offering a continuous display of color and fragrance.

Port Sunlight is a vigorous grower with a large, tall and upright form, reaching up to 5 feet in height and spreading about 4 to 5 feet wide at maturity. The new foliage and young stems first emerge as an attractive bronzy-red shade, transitioning to a lush dark green as the foliage matures. Not only is ***Port Sunlight*** lovely, but it also demonstrates good resistance to disease, thriving best in full sunlight.

Versatile in the garden, this rose can be planted in beds, mixed borders, rose hedges or as a standalone shrub. It can even be trained as a climber on arbors, pergolas, or trellises, adding vertical interest to the landscape. Indoors, ***Port Sunlight's*** blooms make stunning cut flowers, bringing their

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By Cathy Matsuzaki
Fall Rose Show Coordinator

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The Honolulu Rose Society (HRS) was delighted to be warmly welcomed back to Pearlridge Center for our Fall Rose Show and Competition on Saturday, October 26, 2024, after holding it at Kahala Mall for many years.



View of the Rose Show from the Second-Floor of Pearlridge Mall.

We were pleased that our veteran members and rosarians were able to share a collection of their beautiful roses to fill the tables, which created a captivating and brilliant display at Pearlridge's Mauka Center Court.

Despite the constant rainy weather conditions that happened that morning, we were amazed at the constant flow of people stopping by to enjoy, admire and smell the lovely roses. They were truly enchanted by the vibrant colors and fragrances of the many rose varieties on display.

Although the event wasn't widely publicized, we were pleased with the



(L-R): Mary Ann R., Myrna C., Linda K., and Teri D. view the entries



(L-R): Big Winners for the Day: Aileen for Rose Arrangement; Chester for Rose Photography; Mary Ann for *Little White Pet*; Frank for *Top Gun - Best in Show*; and Janice for *Frances Meiland*.
Photo by Myrna Cariaga

exceptional turnout of attendees who were drawn in by the allure of the roses and stopped to capture the beauty in photos. The always popular and interactive "Most Fragrant Rose" contest was a highlight enticing people to come in closer to smell the sweet scent and cast their votes. The colorful "florist" roses, although scentless, also caught the eyes of many people.

Our judging panel, consisting of Master Rosarian **Myrna Cariaga** and Consulting Rosarian **Mary Ann Recaido** with **Linda Kauhane** and **Teri Deptula** serving as Clerks, awarded the top honor "Best in Show" to Consulting Rosarian **Frank Dumlao** for his beautiful *Top Gun* rose, which also won "Best in Class" for the Shrub, Climber, Old Garden Roses category.

Additional "Best in Class" winners included:

Hybrid Tea/Grandiflora – *Francis Meiland* grown by **Janice Fukuda**

Floribunda and Polyantha – *Little White Pet* grown by CR **Mary Ann Recaido**

Rose Bowl - *Juliette* grown by CR **Frank Dumlao**

Rose Arrangement - Master Rosarian **Aileen Schroffner**

In the Rose Photography category, judged by Consulting Rosarians **Frank Dumlao** and **Lynn Koba** along with **Deena Gary** assisted by

Clerks **Bess Tanabe** and **Janice Agena**, **Chester Adessa** received top honors with his attractive photo of his *Pop Art* rose.



(L-R): Deena, Lynn and Frank judging the photography entries with Janice and Bess assisting as Clerks.

Master Rosarian **Myrna Cariaga's** *Abraham Darby* rose, with its strong fruity fragrance, captured the coveted "Most Fragrant Rose" contest.

Congratulations to all the winners and many thanks to our Clerks, **Linda Kauhane**, new HRS member **Teri Deptula**, **Bess Tanabe** and **Janice Agena** for assisting in the judging process.

At the Consulting Rosarian/Information Table, **Aileen Schroffner**, **Frank Dumlao**, **Lynn Koba**, and **Mary Ann Recaido** shared their expertise with visitors, answering questions on rose care, what rose varieties grow best in Hawaii and when and where to purchase roses.

Thank you to our HRS Membership Director, **Janice Fukuda**, for manning the Membership Table and to **Deena Gary** and **Greg Kaya** for capturing the Rose Show in photos.



(L-R): Gary O., Lucy K., Aileen S., and Adela R. at the CR Info Table.

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flower spanning an average of 3-1/2 inches in diameter with about 15 delicate petals. This rose blooms in elegant small clusters and emits a moderate, honey-sweet fragrance.

As they mature, their color gracefully fades from a rich yellow to a light yellow, creating a stunning display across the bush. Known for its good disease resistance and heat tolerance, **Morning Has Broken** blooms in flushes throughout the season. It grows in a rounded form up to 4 feet in height and over 4-1/2 feet wide at maturity.



Rose photos by Teri Deptula

HRS member Teri Deptula currently grows **Morning Has Broken** which has proven to be a true garden treasure. Teri says she potted her bare roots in her backyard two years ago. **Morning Has Broken** has been thriving alongside her

other roses, tolerating heat and shade (Teri keeps moving her plant because she is so pretty). Her dainty yellow petals are always a standout among the rest of Teri's plants!

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refined tea rose fragrance and apricot tones into the home to enjoy its picturesque beauty.

Bred by the renowned hybridizer David C. H. Austin in the United Kingdom before 2005, **Port Sunlight** was introduced in the United Kingdom in 2007 by David Austin Roses Limited and in South Africa in 2021 by Ludwig's Roses as **Port Sunlight**.

Its formal registration name is "AUSlofty," a product of crossing two unnamed and unpatented Rosa



Photo Source: https://en.wikipedia.org/wiki/Port_Sunlight

hybrida varieties; the description is that of Two-year-old rose plants of the new variety grown outdoors in Albrighton, Britain.

Port Sunlight is named after a model village in the Metropolitan Borough of Wirral, Merseyside, England where there is a beautiful garden of English roses.

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Fall Rose Show at PearlrIDGE Center

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Mahalo also to all those HRS members who manned the "Most Fragrant Rose" table and tabulated the votes. It was heartwarming to see familiar faces, including some veteran HRS members reconnecting with us at this Fall Rose Show.

A big Mahalo to all HRS members who contributed their blooming roses to display; welcomed the public with Aloha and offered helpful rose care advice; came early



HRS veteran member Naomi I. - CR Emeritus and her husband Masa.

to help with set-up; and stayed late to put away the tables and chairs and cleaned up.

Special thanks to **Myrna Cariaga** and **Marsha Yokomichi** for their dedication and assistance behind the scenes in coordinating this

event. We are grateful for everyone's hard work and teamwork efforts, making this Fall Rose Show a celebration of beautiful and fragrant roses and a memorable event for all.

Also, veteran member Rick C.





Armchair Traveler: Rose Hill Rose Garden—Manito Park Spokane, Washington

Editor's Note: HRS Member, Beth Van Boxtel, a Master Gardener and a Consulting Rosarian with the San Diego Rose Society joins us again as a guest writer for this month's Armchair Traveler column. Thank you, Beth, for your write-up on the **Manito Park Rose Garden** and for sharing your beautiful photos with us.

By Beth Van Boxtel

In a suburban neighborhood of Spokane, Washington, there is a 90-acre meandering park called Manito Park. Established in 1904, Manito Park is home to five major gardens including The Nishinomiya Tsutakawa Japanese Garden; Duncan Garden, Lilac Garden; Ferris Perennial Garden and Rose Hill Garden.

Parking is available along the borders of the park and the walkways are paved with some minor hills to climb. It is a perfect place to bring a picnic lunch or to just take a nice walk.



In the center of the park is a four-acre rose garden named Rose Hill. The rose garden contains more than 165 varieties

of roses including: Hybrid Tea, Grandiflora, Floribunda, Miniature, Miniflora, Micro-mini, English, Climbers, and a surprising collection of 200 rare Old Garden Roses (Alba, Moss, Musk, Rugosa, Hybrid Perpetuals, Damasks, Bourbons, Polyanthas, Shrubs, and Species roses).



Our author, Beth, at the entrance of the rose garden.

Weddings and photography sessions are popular in this rose garden because there is shade from nearby trees, a large grass lawn, and benches for seating. The weather in 2024 was a bit uneven in Spokane. They received more colder and wetter days than usual, and they also had a lot of hot sunny days mixed in.

That said, their roses had a slow start, and they weren't even in peak-bloom when I visited in mid-July. The peak-bloom typically happens



in August. However, seeing the diverse collection of roses was the highlight of my visit. I love seeing rare and unique roses in public gardens and this collection was lovely.

Manito Park Rose Garden is located at 1702 S Grand Blvd Spokane, WA 99203. Free admission. Open dawn to dusk.

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