Dear NALS members,

On behalf of the North Star Lily Society, I want to extend our warmest invitation to the 2024 NALS Show and Convention, "Land of 10,000 Lilies." We have been hard at work to ensure that you will have a memorable experience visiting us and the show in Bloomington, Minnesota. If you were here in 2014, you'll remember the Airport Hilton which is the venue for this show, too.

We have 5 outstanding speakers to expand our knowledge of *Lilium* – Pontus Wallsten will speak about his experience looking for rare lilies; Sue and Larry Bagge will demonstrate Ikebana design with lilies; Mike Heger will give us lots of ideas



for companions for lilies in our landscapes; Dr. Janos Agoston will alert us to lily diseases, and Hugh Skinner will discuss the development of martagon hybrids in Canada.

The show floor will be ready for your exhibition lilies, and there will be plenty of opportunities to show off your design flare.

Thursday evening we've arranged a boat cruise on the St. Croix River – a national scenic river on the border with Wisconsin. Saturday will be a full day of touring local gardens. I think you will agree that Minnesota is truly the Land of 10,000 Lilies.

Of course, we'll have fun at the Research Fund Auction on Friday and celebrate at Saturday's Awards Banquet.

North Star Lily Society members look forward to welcoming you to the 2024 show.

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Barbara J Ronningen 2024 Show Chair