

HORTICULTURAL COMPETITION 2021

To be held at

**PLANT HOUSE, SINGAPORE BOTANIC GARDENS
9 – 13 OCTOBER 2021
8.30 am – 7.00 pm (Last entry at 6.00pm)**

**Plant Registration Day: Thursday 7 October 2021
Plant Judging Day: Friday 8 October 2021**

Organised by:



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I. GENERAL TERMS AND CONDITIONS

In these General Terms and Conditions and Competition Rules:-

- (a) “Exhibitor” refers to the entity or individual submitting this entry form;
- (b) “Competition” refers to the Horticultural Competition 2021;
- (c) “Competition Chair” refers to the individual supervising the Competition;
- (d) “Judges” refers to the judges judging the Competition;
- (e) “Exhibition” refers to the Horticultural Competition 2021 Exhibition in which entries for the Competition are exhibited.

Details

Submission of Entry Forms	Monday, 23 August 2021 to Thursday, 30 September 2021, 5pm
Plant Registration Day	Thursday, 7 October 2021 (10am to 5pm)
Plant Judging Day	Friday, 8 October 2021
Horticultural Competition 2021 Exhibition (“Exhibition”)	Saturday, 9 October 2021 to Wednesday, 13 October 2021 (7pm)
Return of Entries to Exhibitors	Thursday, 14 October 2021 to Saturday, 16 October 2021 (9am to 5pm)
Competition Secretariat Contact	Ms Lilian Kwok Contact No.: (65) 6273 1920 Email: Lilian_KWOK@nparks.gov.sg Mr Reuben Lim Contact No.: (65) 6272 7002 Email: Reuben_LIM@nparks.gov.sg

1. The Exhibition will be held at the Singapore Botanic Gardens and will be open to the public from 9 to 13 October 2021, 8.30am to 7pm. Admission is free.
2. Exhibitors for the Competition will be required to submit the entry forms attached during the registration period of 23 August to 30 September 2021, 5pm. Exhibitors may participate in their own name, or in the name of a corporate entity. Joint entries are not allowed.
3. Entries may be submitted via one of the following modes:
 - (a) Emailing a scanned copy of the completed entry form to:
NPARKS_SGF_Horticultural_Competition@nparks.gov.sg;
 - (b) Presenting the entry form to our staff at the Visitor Services counters at the Singapore Botanic Gardens or HortPark and indicating the following:
Attn: Ms Low Wei Teng (Horticulture and Community Gardening Division)
Horticultural Competition 2021

(c) Posting the completed entry form to:

National Parks Board

1 Cluny Road

Singapore 259569

(Attention: Ms Low Wei Teng, Horticulture and Community Gardening)

4. NParks will accept only entries which consist of whole plants. Plant parts which have been cut from another plant will not be accepted. NParks reserves the right to accept and display only plant entries which it deems suitable.
5. All entries will be officially labelled at registration. To ensure smoother processing of your registration on Plant Registration Day, you are encouraged to pre-register your plant entries by email. Once your plants have been successfully pre-registered by email, please bring along:
 - (a) the plant entries
 - (b) a hard copy completed Entry Form
 - (c) your confirmation email of pre-registration
 - (d) a form of identification (e.g. driving license, identity card) for verification purposes

on Plant Registration Day on Thursday 7 October 2021 (10am – 5pm) at Classroom, Botany Centre Level 2, Singapore Botanic Gardens.

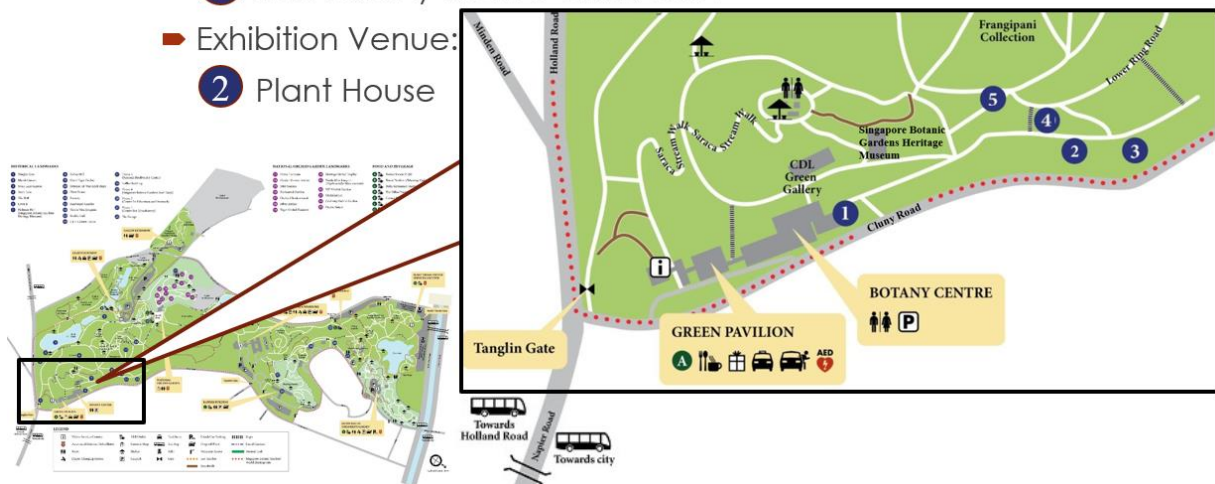
6. Exhibitors who drive may enter and park at Botany Centre, Singapore Botanic Gardens on Plant Registration Day.
7. Exhibitors who walk-in may use the route indicated in the map. – The nearest drop-off point is at the Green Pavilion, Botany Centre. There are two bus stops along Napier Rd, the closest to Botany Centre is Singapore Botanic Gardens (Stop ID: 13019) and opposite Singapore Botanic Gardens (Stop ID: 13011). These are served by bus services 7, 75, 77, 105, 106, 123 and 174.

➤ Registration and Returns Venue:

① SBG Botany Centre Classroom

➤ Exhibition Venue:

② Plant House



II. COMPETITION RULES

- 1 Judging will be based on the Competition rules set out below. The Judges' decision for all awards shall be final and conclusive.
- 2 There will be nine categories within the Competition, the details of which are set out in Section IV – Plant Categories.
- 3 Exhibitors in each category will be categorised as either “Amateur” or “Professional” and judged based on whether he is participating as an amateur or a professional. Amateurs are hobbyists who do not benefit financially or are not seen as benefitting any professional or commercial grower or organisation. Professionals are growers who either earn a living by growing plants, flowers, fruits or vegetables for sale, or anyone employed in the maintenance of a horticultural ground, garden, park or nursery. Spouses and immediate family members of professional or commercial growers will be classed as professional growers, and not as amateurs. There may be up to one amateur and one professional plant class winner for each exhibitor class.
- 4 Plant entries will be judged based on their overall form, health, and size. Variegated plants may be entered for all categories. Save for plant entries in “Category 5: Flowering Plants” and “Category 8: Gesneriads”, where entries must be flowering in order to be eligible for competition in these 2 categories, additional merit may be awarded to flowering specimens in all other categories.
- 5 To be eligible for the Competition, entries must be single plants. Where more than one plant is in a pot or other container or mount, only the best will be judged.
- 6 All plant entries shall be disease and pest-free.
- 7 Stakes or wires used in the plant entry must be unobtrusive, must not touch any part of any flower, including the pedicel, and must not extend beyond the first flower on any spray.
- 8 Where casings for the plant are required for humidity-control, Exhibitors may include such a case with the plant entry. The Exhibitor must ensure that the casing is transparent and must not exceed twice the size of the plant.
- 9 The handling and placement of plant entries within the exhibition or storage area after submission on Plant Registration Day shall be determined by NParks.
- 10 Exhibitors will be allowed to enter the Exhibition area to maintain their Competition entries on display during the times set out below:

Saturday, 9 October 2021	7pm to 7.30pm
Sunday, 10 October 2021 to Tuesday, 12 October 2021	8am to 8.30am; 7pm to 7.30pm
Wednesday, 13 October 2021	8am to 8.30am

Entry will only be allowed with the original certified Entry Form.

- 11 NParks may remove or replace plants that are unable to last the full duration of the Exhibition. Exhibitors will be notified if their plants are removed from the Exhibition.
- 12 While NParks will take measures to safeguard the entries, NParks shall not be responsible for damage, deterioration or loss of any entries.
- 13 No plant may be removed before the close of the Competition without the permission of NParks.

- 14 Prizes include:
- (a) Ribbons, medals and a challenge cup, namely the City in Nature Cup (“Challenge Cup”), the details of which are set out below.
 - (b) Generally:
 - (i) Place Ribbons are awarded for plants which are given first, second and third placing within each professional or amateur class of the respective plant category.
 - (ii) Special Mention Ribbons are awarded at the discretion of the Judges for any entry.
 - (iii) Medals are awarded to the Exhibitor with the best plant of each category across both Professional and Amateur classes.
 - (iv) The Challenge Cup is awarded in the sole discretion of Judges to the Exhibitor with the best plant of the Competition.
 - (v) Certificates will be awarded to all winning entries.
 - (vi) There will be no cash prizes.
- 15 A single entry may receive more than one award at the Judges’ discretion.
- 16 The Judges retain the sole discretion to withhold any award if the entries do not meet the required standard.
- 17 At the official opening on 9 October 2021, the Challenge cup and medal winners will be announced.
- 18 The winner of the Challenge Cup may retain the trophy for a period of one year with a signed undertaking for the safe return of the trophy, after the Challenge Cup has been exhibited with the winning plants during the Exhibition.
- 19 Any non-compliance with any of these rules may lead to the turning away or disqualification of the entry or Exhibitor concerned. Any appeal must be made to the Competition Chair, whose decision shall be final.
- 20 NParks reserves the right to dispose of any item that is not removed from the Competition or storage area after the end of the Exhibition, and NParks shall not be liable to the Exhibitor for any loss, expenses, damages or any other consequences arising from such disposal.
- 21 Exhibitors may reclaim their entries between 14 to 16 October 2021 (9am to 5pm).

III. SPECIAL AWARDS

- 1 Special Awards:
- (i) The Challenge Cup is awarded for the best entry out of all the champion plants from each of the nine categories (“Best of Category Plants”)
 - (ii) Best Native Plant of Show will be awarded a ribbon and medal. For the purpose of this Competition, a native plant is a species that has originated from Singapore without human intervention or has arrived here without intentional or unintentional intervention of humans from an area in which they are native.
 - (iii) Best Foliage Plant of Show will be awarded a ribbon and medal.
 - (iv) Special Mention Ribbon

IV. PLANT CATEGORIES

Category 1: Air Plants

Plants from the genus *Tillandsia*.

Class

- a. Single Air Plants
Definition: Plants which present as an individual, with no pups or clusters.
- b. Clumped Air Plants
Definition: Plants which present as a clump, or more than one connected individual.

Category 2: Carnivorous Plants

Plants that trap insects and derive some or most of their nutrients from digesting them.

Class

- a. Butterworts and Sundews
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genera *Pinguicula* and *Drosera*
- b. Pitcher Plants and Trumpet Pitchers
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genera *Nepenthes* and *Sarracenia*

Category 3: Edible Plants

Plants that are edible and used in culinary dishes.

Class

- a. Mints
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Mentha*
- b. Basils
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Ocimum*
- c. Indian Borages
Definition: Varieties and cultivars from the species *Coleus* [*Plectranthus*] *amboinicus*
- d. Lettuces
Definition: Varieties and cultivars from the species *Lactuca sativa*
- e. Kales
Definition: Varieties and cultivars from the species *Brassica oleracea* within the Acephala Group known as kale horticulturally

Category 4: Ferns

Flowerless plants with leaves that bear spores.

Class

- a. Staghorn Ferns
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Platycerium*
- b. Birds' Nest Ferns
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Asplenium*

Category 5: Flowering Plants

Plants cultivated for their ornamental flowers. Submitting entries must have flowers or flower buds on them in order to qualify.

Class

- a. Roses
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Rosa*
- b. Hibiscuses
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Hibiscus*
- c. Hoyas
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Hoya*

Category 6: Begonias

Plants from the genus *Begonia*.

Class

- a. Begonias
Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars that are cane or rhizomatous begonias.

Category 7: Aroids

Plants from the family Araceae.

Class

a. Climbing or Creeping Aroids

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars which have a climbing or creeping habit; requiring support, mount or having stems spreading along growth media (e.g. *Epipremnum*, *Monstera*, *Philodendron* etc.)

b. Non-Climbing or Creeping Aroids

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars which do not have a climbing or scrambling habit; not requiring support, mount or not having stems spreading along growth media (e.g. *Aglaonema*, *Dieffenbachia*, *Homalomena*, *Schismatoglottis*, *Amorphophallus* etc.)

Category 8: Gesneriads

Plants from the family Gesneriaceae. Submitting entries must have flowers or flower buds on them in order to qualify.

Class

a. Episcias

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Episcia*

b. African Violets

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Saintpaulia*

c. Sinningias

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars from the genus *Sinningia*

Category 9: Succulents

Plants with thick, fleshy and swollen stems and/or leaves, and are adapted to dry environments.

Class

a. Globose Succulents

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars which present as a globular individual or cluster (e.g. *Astrophytum*, *Gymnocalycium*, *Frailea* etc.)

b. Columnar or Stemmed Succulents

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars which present as a columnar individual or cluster or with an erect leafy stem (e.g. ceroid cactus, stapeliads, *Kalanchoe*, *Euphorbia* etc.)

c. Rosette Succulents

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars which present as a rosette individual (e.g. *Echeveria*, *Ariocarpus*, *Haworthia*, *Crassula* etc.)

d. Caudiciforms

Definition: Species, varieties, and cultivars that have a pronounced caudex visible above the substrate level (e.g. *Adenium*, *Stephania*, *Dorstenia* etc.)

End of schedule

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7 – 16 October 2021

Email completed form to NPARKS_SGF_Horticultural_Competition@nparks.gov.sg
by 30 September 2021, 5pm

Entry Form for Horticultural Competition 2021

1. Personal Particulars	
Competitor's Name: Corporate Entity Name: (if applicable)	
Mailing Address:	
Contact Number:	(Office) (Mobile)
Email Address:	

The above information will be used for the identification of participants. If necessary, we may share this data with other Government agencies (or non-Government entities which have been authorised to carry out specific NParks services), unless such sharing is prohibited by law.

2. Competition Details			
Exhibitor Class (Circle selected option):	Amateur / Professional		
Competition Categories and Classes [Circle selected option(s) and include number of entries in parenthesis]:	1. Air Plants a. Single () b. Clumped ()	2. Carnivorous Plants a. Butterworts and Sundews () b. Pitcher Plants and Sundews ()	3. Edible Plants a. Mints () b. Basils () c. Indian Borages () d. Lettuces () e. Kales ()
	4. Ferns a. Staghorn Ferns () b. Birds' Nest Ferns ()	5. Flowering Plants a. Roses () b. Hibiscuses () c. Hoyas ()	6. Begonias a. Begonias ()

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	7. Aroids a. Climbing Aroids () b. Non-Climbing Aroids ()	8. Gesneriads a. Episcias () b. African Violets () c. Sinningias ()	9. Succulents a. Globose Succulents () b. Columnar or Stemmed Succulents () c. Rosettes () d. Caudiciforms ()
Competitor Serial Number (For Registrar):			
Full Species Names (including variety and/or cultivar name): <i>Example: 1a Tillandsia ionantha 'Druid', 9d Adenium obesum, etc.</i>			

3. Declaration

I have read and agree to abide by the Competition Rules of the Horticultural Competition. I hereby acknowledge and accept that I am participating in this competition voluntarily and at my own risk and will not in any way hold the National Parks Board responsible for any injury, loss, damage, expense and/or costs which I may sustain or incur as a result of my participation in the competition. I further agree to indemnify the National Parks Board for any loss suffered by the National Parks Board and the resulting from my/ our acts or omissions.

Signature:

Date:

Date of Submission of Entries:

Competitor Signature:

Witness Name and
Signature:

Date of Return of Entries:

Competitor Signature:

Witness Name and
Signature: