



Wednesday 27 March 2019

## THE SOUTHERN HEMISPHERE'S MOST STUNNING GARDENS REVEALED

The country's most prestigious garden awards have been announced this morning at **The Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show presented by Lawn Solutions Australia**. The awards herald the launch of the southern hemisphere's largest garden and floral event, which runs for five days in the sprawling grounds of Carlton Gardens and the interior of the historic Royal Exhibition Building.

**The City of Melbourne Award of Excellence for Best In Show** was presented to **Tract Consultants'** ambitious **The Loggia** garden, which seamlessly combines dry climate species from both Australia and the Mediterranean. Warm terracotta tiles provide a striking juxtaposition to green swathes of native and exotic plant life. *The Loggia* is a clever coalescence of romance and practicality, heroing hot climate planting as a nod to a more sustainable future.

- DETAILS OF AWARD WINNERS -

Head Show Garden judge Andrew Laidlaw said, "As a collective group of gardens the standard is as high as it's ever been in the history of the show".

**Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show Event Director, Marcus Gale** commented that the Show continues to attract the best design talent from Australia and overseas to create truly exceptional Show Gardens and feature displays.

"Every year we are awestruck by the imagination showcased by our landscape and floral designers, and 2019 is no different," said Gale.

"Each garden and floral installation is not only visually arresting, but our new charity partnerships with Beyond Blue and Guide Dogs Victoria encouraged designers to add another dimension to the creations. The judging panel revelled in seeing displays that carried a strong message, as well as being aesthetically brilliant".

Whilst the Show runs until Sunday 31 March 9am – 5pm daily, this Friday evening, **The Melbourne International Flower & Garden Show presented by Lawn Solutions Australia** extends its hours for a floral-inspired twilight session. In addition to witnessing the best gardens and floral designs the country has to offer, **Gardens by Twilight** is a convergence of local live music sets, roving entertainment, impressive lighting displays and boutique food and beverage bars – running until **9pm**.

**The Melbourne International Flower & Garden** runs until Sunday 31 March. Tickets are available for purchase at the gate or via [melbflowershow.com.au](http://melbflowershow.com.au)

The full gallery of 2019 winners, show gardens and floral installations can be found [here](#)

FULL LIST OF AWARD WINNERS BELOW:

### CITY OF MELBOURNE AWARD OF EXCELLENCE FOR BEST IN SHOW

**The Loggia** designed by **Tract Consultants**



## **GOLD SHOW GARDEN**

**The Loggia** designed by **Tract Consultants**

**Journey** designed by **MUSA landscape Architecture**

**The Other Side** by **Jason Hodges, Candeo Design & Semken Landscaping for Lawn Solutions Australia**



*The Loggia*



*Journey*



*The Other Side*

## **SILVER GILT SHOW GARDEN**

**Changing Times** designed by **Myles Baldwin Design**

**Dreaming** designed by **Christian Jenkins Landscape & Design**

## **SILVER SHOW GARDEN**

**Four Seasons** designed by **Rob Waddell**

**The Lux Botanical** designed by **Inge Jabara Landscape**

## **BRONZE SHOW GARDEN**

**Urban Retreat** designed by **Ben Hutchinson Landscapes**

**Under the Golden Elm** designed by **Bayley LuuTomes Design**

**The Welcome Garden** designed by **Mark Browning**

**The Third Age** designed by **Willie Wild Life Sculptures, Candeo Design & Semken Landscaping**

## **HORTICULTURAL MEDIA ASSOCIATION (HMA) AWARD FOR BEST USE OF PLANT LIFE**

**The Loggia** designed by **Tract Consultants**

## **MARK BENCE CONSTRUCTION AWARD**

**The Loggia** designed by **Tract Consultants**

## **LANDSCAPING VICTORIA BOUTIQUE GARDEN AWARD**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Remembrance** designed by **Trish Morrison**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **Breeze** designed by **Maia Coillard**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **Anthropogenic Future** designed by **Anthony Sharples & Alistair Kirkpatrick**

## **THE AVENUE OF ACHIEVABLE GARDENS AWARD OF EXCELLENCE**

**Redivivus Materia** designed by **Jason Donnelly**

## **THE AVENUE OF ACHIEVABLE GARDENS**

### **1st place**

Jessica Villani – Rainforest Nest

Rachael Nardella – Home is Where the Seeds are Sown

Katherine Westle – Gone Bushesque

Jason Donnelly – Redivivus Materia



## **2nd place**

Kristen Mahler – The Yoga Sanctuary

Shaun Hayes, Shaun Taggert, Jacob Banks, Daniel Clarke, Zach Murphy, Thomas Drew – Modern Pop

Alex Koskiniotis – Cascade

## **3rd place**

Riley Cooper & Angus Houghton – Gallery to Garden

Joshua Brammer, Josh Hurst, Adam Caarels, Alby Perry & Nick Dunn – Tapestry of Texture

Melissa Bell – Colour my World

David Joseph – Native Fibonacci

## **BEST USE OF PLANT LIFE**

Jessica Villani – Rainforest Nest

## **CREATIVE SPACE**

Katherine Westle – Gone Bushesque

## **VISUAL DISPLAY**

### **GOLD VISUAL DISPLAY**

The Fantasy Garden by Collectors Corner

### **SILVER GILT VISUAL DISPLAY**

Matthew Landers

Moss Industry Florists

### **SILVER VISUAL DISPLAY**

Southern Metropolitan Cemeteries Trust

Lynne Dallas

Flowers Vasette

### **BRONZE VISUAL DISPLAY**

The Plant Society

Box Hill Institute

The Green Palace by Leaf & Bear

Ikebana International Melbourne Chapter

Chrysko

Bloom College

Gloriosa Nursery

Oasis Noir by Richard Go Design

It's my World

Melbourne Flower School

## **FLORAL DESIGN**

### **GOLD FLORAL DESIGN**

Australian Association of Floral Designers

Pinkie Promise

### **SILVER GILT FLORAL DESIGN**

Flowers by Nici



**SILVER FLORAL DESIGN**

Holmesglen Institute

Marjorie Millner College

**BRONZE FLORAL DESIGN**

The Australian Floral Art Association

Karen Wang Wedding & Flowers



*Pinkie Promise*

*Australian Association of Floral  
Designers*

*Collectors Corner*

**RMIT STUDENT FLORAL FASHION DESIGN COMPETITION**

1<sup>st</sup> Place – **Not knowing future matters** designed by **Taylah Caddy**

2<sup>nd</sup> Place – **Fight for the bight** designed by **Meg Bradbury**

3<sup>rd</sup> Place – **Beyond the park** designed by **Zoe May Sutherland**

**THE BAPTCARE SHOP WINDOW FLORAL DESIGN COMPETITION**

Gold - Jenny Burke Florist



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