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The New York Botanical Garden Announces *The Orchid Show: Singapore*

Dazzling Tribute to Singapore, One of the World's Greatest Orchid Cultures, Will Feature Orchid-Adorned Elements Inspired by the Arches and Supertrees of Two of the Island Nation's Horticultural Attractions

NYBG's 17th Annual *Orchid Show* Runs from February 23 through April 28, 2019



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Bronx, NY—For its 17th year, The New York Botanical Garden's popular annual orchid exhibition is set to return with *The Orchid Show: Singapore*, developed in partnership with Singapore Botanic Gardens and Gardens by the Bay. Two iconic architectural elements inspired by both sites will be featured as part of a horticultural tribute to one of the world's greatest orchid cultures. Showcasing thousands of dramatically displayed orchids in a dazzling variety of colors, shapes, sizes, and patterns in the Botanical Garden's landmark Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, the exhibition will pay homage to Singapore. These storied flowers are an integral part of the life of this vibrant "City in a Garden" and its rich legacy of innovative garden

design and spectacular floral display. *The Orchid Show: Singapore* runs from February 23 through April 28, 2019.

Singapore Botanic Gardens, the only tropical garden in the world designated a UNESCO World Heritage Site, is home to the country's National Orchid Garden, a leader in orchid hybridization, with its famed Arches festooned with thousands of mesmerizing orchids and many other exotic tropical species.

Gardens by the Bay is Singapore's immersive horticultural attraction best known for its Supertrees—soaring vertical habitats that are marvels of nature, art, and technology. Dripping with brilliantly colored orchids, these impressive structures are embedded with photovoltaic cells that harvest solar energy, a shining example of Singapore's contributions to the field of environmentally sustainable horticulture.

At The New York Botanical Garden, *The Orchid Show: Singapore* will showcase renditions of both the Arches and the Supertrees—creating a kaleidoscope of colors with thousands of spectacular orchids, including dancing lady (*Oncidium*), rainbow (*Vanda*), cane (*Dendrobium*), and Asian corsage orchids (*Cymbidium*), and many other exotic tropical species.

In addition to the exhibition's stunning centerpieces and information highlighting Singapore's achievements, the Haupt Conservatory galleries will spotlight orchid varieties from NYBG's exquisite permanent collection, itself a long-standing commitment to orchid cultivation, research, and conservation, and from some of the finest growers in the world, selected and assembled by NYBG horticulturists. Orchids of seemingly every conceivable shape and provenance, including rare and iconic specimens, will be on display.

During Orchid Evenings on select Fridays and Saturdays throughout the run of the exhibition, visitors will experience the show brilliantly illuminated, with music and cash bars offering beer, wine, and cocktails for purchase. Orchid Evenings are for adults 21 and over.

Orchid Show visitors may select from thousands of top-quality orchids, from exotic, hard-to-find specimens for connoisseurs to elegant yet easy-to-grow varieties for beginners, available for purchase at NYBG Shop, along with orchid products and books. Dining options include the Pine Tree Café and Hudson Garden Grill, NYBG's full service restaurant.

The Orchid Show: Singapore is part of NYBG's year-long #plantlove series of exhibitions, programs, and projects exploring the essential connections between plants, people, and the environment.

For more information about *The Orchid Show: Singapore* and to purchase tickets, please visit the Garden's Web site, nybg.org.

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The New York Botanical Garden is a museum of plants located at Bronx River Parkway (Exit 7W) and Fordham Road. It is easy to reach by Metro-North Railroad, bus, or subway. The Garden is open year-round, Tuesday through Sunday and Monday federal holidays, from 10 a.m. to 6 p.m. The best way to enjoy the Garden is with the *All-Garden Pass*, which includes admission to the grounds as well as to seasonal gardens, exhibitions, and attractions such as the Enid A. Haupt Conservatory, Everett Children's Adventure Garden, and Tram Tour. For ticket pricing, please check our Web site. For more information, please call 718.817.8700 or visit nybg.org

The New York Botanical Garden, 2900 Southern Boulevard, Bronx, New York 10458

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