

## **ANNEX**

### **THE EIGHT FLORAL DISPLAYS OF 2022**

#### **Dahlia Dreams (大丽花之梦)**

**14 January to 20 February**

Usher in the Spring Festival and celebrate new beginnings at the popular Chinese New Year floral display Dahlia Dreams. For the first time, a stunning River Hongbao lantern set, Spring Fragrances (花香满溢), takes centre stage in the flower field. The lantern set features three Chinese moon gates, a pair of rabbits and larger-than-life narcissus, peony and lily blooms, all set amidst about 2,000 showstopper dahlias and vibrant azaleas, chrysanthemums and cymbidiums. Also on display are adorable tiger cubs to ring in the Year of the Tiger, and auspicious decorations such as giant coin pouches (福袋) and couplets (春联) symbolising good fortune and prosperity. In addition, large-scale paintings depicting the Four Gentlemen (四君子) of Chinese culture – the plum blossom, the orchid, the bamboo, and the chrysanthemum – not only represent the changing seasons, but are also analogous to virtues such as resilience, modesty, endurance, flexibility, perseverance and fortitude; traits to carry us through the pandemic.

#### **Sakura featuring tokidoki characters (櫻花)**

**4 March to 3 April**

Fubuki, Ichiyo, Haru & Harumi, Yoshino and Sakurako – tokidoki's five magical Unicorns – join the ever-popular characters SANDy and Donutella in making their debut at this year's Sakura floral display. Spot the colourful tokidoki characters in a landscape featuring torii gates, hanami settings, and a display of Japanese carp streamers known as koinobori on loan from the Japanese Association, Singapore, then explore a magical giant box with marumado, or traditional round Japanese windows with a view.

#### **Peony Bliss (牡丹福佑)**

**9 April to 3 May**

The inaugural Peony Bliss floral display traces the journey of this revered flower of the Chinese from its native land of China to Nanyang, as immigrants made their way to a better life in a foreign land. From a traditional Suzhou-inspired garden where peonies are beautifully showcased, to their unexpected prominence in Singapore's Peranakan culture, experience rich depictions of a flower that has always had a place in the hearts of the Chinese.

#### **Rose Romance (玫瑰之恋)**

**13 May to 12 June**

After a well-received run in 2019, roses make a return to Flower Dome in a fragrant show redolent of summer that will showcase the magic and romance of one of the oldest and most iconic flowers of all time.

#### **Hydrangea Holidays (绣球花假期)**

**18 June to 24 July**

Go on an adventure to the Netherlands and rediscover summertime when whimsical Hydrangeas bloom, in this floral display put together in collaboration with the Netherlands Embassy. These opulent flowers colour the pastoral countryside in shades of the Dutch flag, amidst a traditional landscape replete with windmills, canals and townhouses.



### **Hanging Gardens (百花齐放)**

***5 August to 18 September***

In collaboration with the Embassy of Mexico, the culture and heritage of Mexico takes centre stage with a landscape that incorporates elements such as medallions synonymous with celebratory occasions handmade by the Mexican community in Singapore, the Aztec double-headed serpent, and a 4m-tall replica of the iconic Chichen Itza pyramid of the Mayans. To reflect the vibrant colours of Mexico, showy blooms such as cockscombs and marigolds in a plethora of bright colours will be on show.

### **A Spanish Serenade with Sunflowers (西班牙葵花小夜曲)**

***24 September to 30 October***

In collaboration with the Embassy of Spain, this floral display takes inspiration from the region of Andalusia in southern Spain, with the cities of Seville, Jaén and Córdoba being highlights. Sunflowers and other popular Spanish garden blooms like pelargonium, petunias and evergreen palms enhance interpretations of a Spanish courtyard garden; the famous Patio de las Doncellas (The Courtyard of the Maidens) of the Real Alcázar palace in Seville; and the Fiesta de los Patios (Festival of the Patios), a cultural festival recognised by UNESCO that celebrates the unique patio houses of Córdoba. Andalusian arts and culture like the flamenco dance add to the Spanish flavour of the show.

### **Poinsettia Wishes (圣诞心愿)**

***11 November to 2 January 2023***

Carrying on with popular tradition of this annual yuletide floral display, the Embassies of Denmark, Finland, Norway and Sweden are working with horticulturists once more to flavour Christmas with Nordic charm.