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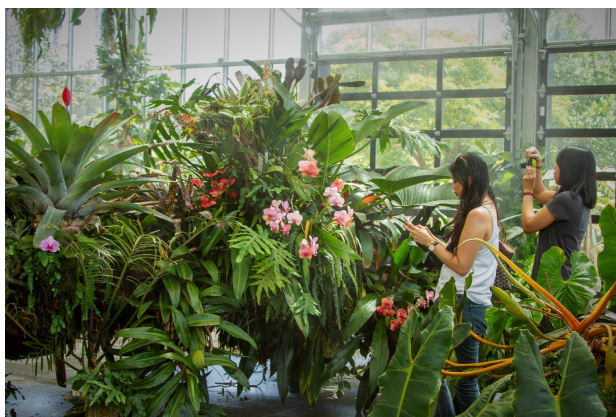
San Diego Botanic Garden to Debut “World of Houseplants” as Summer Exhibition

Flora Enthusiasts Can Expect Dazzling Displays and Collector Plants for Sale by International Vendors Between July 16 Through September 5, 2022

Encinitas, Calif. (June 22, 2022) – [San Diego Botanic Garden](#) (SDBG) opens its highly anticipated *World of Houseplants* show on Saturday, July 16. The exhibition, which runs for seven weeks – through Monday, September 5 – is staged in the Garden’s state-of-the-art, 8,000 square foot, glass-enclosed facility – the Dickinson Family Education Conservatory. Building on the already impressive collection of air plants, aroids, carnivorous plants and wax plants on display in the conservatory, the show’s displays incorporate hundreds more houseplants, from easy, everyday plants to rare species. On select days, *World of Houseplants* vendors from the US and abroad sell everyday plants and collector cuttings, potting materials, unique pots, and other houseplant products.

“The popularity of houseplants has surged recently, and for good reason,” said SDBG Deputy CEO, Brandi Eide. “With the right conditions and care, there are a vast array of plants that can be grown. This exhibition will help visitors to identify different types of houseplants – including pitcher plants and Philodendrons, Spanish moss and Monsteras – and learn about the cultural conditions generally required to maintain each inside the house. Both emerging and expert houseplant growers will find useful tips and tricks creating the right environment, eradicating pests, and troubleshooting common problems.”

Houseplants moved to center stage in many homes during the pandemic, as both an integral part of décor and an important element in maintaining mental health. As a “living museum” that houses and maintains plant collections for public enjoyment and learning, the botanic garden sees its role as integral in acquiring plants from legitimate sources and safely keeping plants as a sustainable resource for current and future generations. The Garden also periodically sells cuttings and seedlings from its collection through its on-site plant shop.



San Diego Botanic Garden hosts *World of Houseplants* in its state-of-the-art, 8,000 square foot, glass-enclosed facility – the Dickinson Family Education Conservatory. Photo credits: left, SDBG; right, Rachel Cobb.

The show's stunning displays feature the many [houseplants that already grow in the conservatory's "plant chandeliers", living wall, planters and plant beds](#), enhanced in immersive, artistic designs incorporating hundreds of additional plants brought in for the exhibition. SDBG's highly awarded Artist-in-Residence, René van Rems, AIFD, serves as Creative Director for the show.

During the run of the exhibition, SDBG will offer multiple classes and hand-on workshops to share information about caring for plants from begonias to bromeliads, potting techniques and supplies, keeping houseplants looking their best, and things to consider when setting up a plant collection. Whether you're a seasoned plant aficionado or you struggle to keep any plant alive, plan to be inspired by the beautiful staging, take a new addition home to your collection from the plant sales, and leave armed with the confidence that you, too, have a green thumb.

SDBG is open 9am to 5pm, Wednesday through Monday. Members of SDBG and other gardens participating in the American Horticultural Society's [Reciprocal Admissions Program](#) receive free admission. SDBG members get exclusive access to the exhibition on Sundays, 9 - 10 am. Non-member admissions range from \$12 to \$18. Entrance to the exhibition includes access to the rest of the Garden's 37 acres during the same visit. For more information and to reserve an entrance date and time, visit <https://www.sdbgarden.org/houseplants.htm>

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San Diego Botanic Garden

Established in 1970, San Diego Botanic Garden (SDBG) is a 37-acre urban oasis located in Encinitas, California, just north of San Diego. The Garden's four miles of trails display nearly



5,300 plant species and varieties, including 300 plants for which SDBG is the only garden maintaining a population. SDBG has 15 gardens that represent different regions of the world, 12 demonstration gardens, and the largest public bamboo collection in North America. It also has three children's gardens, including its flagship, one-acre Hamilton Children's Garden, the largest kids' garden on the west coast. We garden to create, share and apply plant wisdom in our world.