

Tickets Now on Sale for Lightscape at San Diego Botanic Garden, Reimagined for 2023

This year's spectacular one-mile walking trail features brand-new installations along with returning favorites, illuminating the night from November 17 through January 1

SAN DIEGO (September XX, 2023) – The holidays are already looking bright this year! Tickets are officially on sale for <u>Lightscape</u> at San Diego Botanic Garden (SDBG), running select nights from November 17, 2023 through January 1, 2024. This year's custom-designed one-mile walking trail will feature brand-new international artistic installations along with returning favorites that come to life after dark with color, imagination, and sound. Highlights to look forward to include a California poppy-inspired display, an illuminated laser sky, playful fiber optic flowers, and a bespoke floral display inspired by the topography of SDBG premiering in the US for the first time.



- Floraison: Experience the beauty of the California Poppy. 'Floraison' is created from hundreds of bright orange poppy flowers that look as though they want to fly away but instead, they have been trapped in the branches of trees. Guests will walk under the array of poppies, illuminating their beauty. From French creative studio Pitaya, founded by David Lesort and Arnaud Giroud
- **Liquid Sky** The night sky is used as a canvas for this grand illumination. Liquid Sky is created using colored laser beams and fog to produce a canopy of light overhead.

- Fiber Optic Flowers is an expansive collection of playful fiber-optic tufts that move
 gently in a breeze and are individually controllable; with thousands of fibers making up a
 sprawling low-resolution video surface. The field is configurable in any layout and
 features fibers of different heights that stand perfectly in soft ground. From Australian
 artist Mandylights.
- Flow: A series of visual responses to the landscape, Flow uses dynamically controlled points of light within physical space to visualize the flow of energy as suggested by the landscape itself. It is an attempt to represent the elemental feel and energy of a space, inspired by its topography and features, dynamically altering and accentuating facets of the landscape in the process. A world-premiere for Lightscape this year, Flow will be an organic floral shape bespoke to the San Diego Botanic Garden. From UK-based group of artists Squidsoup.

Additional new installations include Victorian-inspired lanterns, an illuminated flower lawn, and more, along with the reimagining of the Bamboo Garden and Winter Cathedral.

Lightscape is produced in partnership with Sony Music and creatively produced by Culture Creative. New this year, reduced priced tickets for off-peak dates, starting at \$26 for adults, \$16 for children ages 3-12, and are free for ages 2 and under. Discounted tickets are also available for San Diego Botanic Garden Members and active and combat-disabled Military with I.D. Parking is available in advance for \$10 per vehicle or \$20 on the day of the visit. Entry times are every 15 minutes, and tickets and parking are available for purchase online by visiting www.sdbgarden.org/lightscape.

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About 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 and 8,000 square foot glass conservatory display more than 5,300 plant species and varieties. A premiere institution for botanical science and conservation, SDBG is actively involved in conservation horticulture, botany, and applied plant sciences to address our biggest local and global challenges, from biodiversity loss to climate change, food insecurity to environmental degradation. SDBG has the largest public bamboo collection in North America; gardens representing different regions and flora of the world; and demonstration gardens showcasing fruits and vegetables, water-smart ornamentals, and native plants. Through an array of educational programming, events and activities for both children and adults, the Garden aims to create, share and apply plant wisdom to the world. Learn more at sdbg.org. | FB
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