



FLEURS DE VILLES

**Artistic Talents of Local Florists to be Showcased in Global Premiere
of Fleurs de Villes WONDER at The Leaf in January**

For immediate release: Winnipeg, December 17, 2025 – The Assiniboine Park Conservancy is pleased to announce the line-up of local florists that will be featured in the global premiere of **Fleurs de Villes WONDER**, on display at The Leaf from January 15 – 25, 2026. This will be the third Fleurs de Villes exhibition at The Leaf, following the success of **ARTISTE** (2025) and **VOYAGE** (2024).

“Fleurs de Villes has become a signature winter experience at The Leaf, and we’re proud to continue that tradition with the global premiere of **WONDER**,” said Gerald Dieleman, Senior Director of Horticulture, Assiniboine Park Conservancy. “This exhibition celebrates the creativity of our local floral community while inviting visitors to see the natural world through a new and imaginative lens. There’s no better place to debut an experience inspired by the planet’s most extraordinary landscapes.”

Fleurs de Villes WONDER will feature fifteen exquisite floral mannequins inspired by iconic landscapes, rare botanical treasures, and awe-inspiring natural phenomena, brought to life by Winnipeg’s most gifted floral designers. Their one-of-a-kind original creations will transform The Leaf into a living gallery that captures the magic, mystery, and magnificence of the natural world.

This incredible showcase of floral artistry will take visitors on a journey around the world, from the lavender fields of Provence (France) and the Great Barrier Reef (Australia) to the Amazon rainforest (South America), the monarch butterfly migration (Mexico), and more. The spectacular display will be set in the beautiful surroundings of the Mediterranean Biome and Babs Asper Display House at The Leaf.

The full list of featured local florists includes:

- **Victoria Falls** mannequin created by Osborne Florists
- **Namib Desert** mannequin created by Posh Pampas
- **Avenue of the Baobabs** mannequin created by Meraki Fiori
- **Cliffs of Moher** mannequin created by Prairie Creative
- **Jeita Grotto** mannequin created by Flora Culture
- **Lavender Fields of Provence** mannequin created by Bloom Flora Creative
- **Antelope Canyon** mannequin created by Décor and More
- **Super Bloom** mannequin created by Juniper Jayne Creative
- **Monarch Butterfly Migration** mannequin created by Academy Florist
- **Cherry Blossom Sakura Season** mannequin created by The Floral Merchant

- **Pamukkale Terraces** mannequin created by Angela Moisey Creative
- **Amazon Rainforest** mannequin created by Geranium Lake Botanicals
- **Galápagos Islands** mannequin created by Fache Florals
- **Great Barrier Reef** mannequin created by The Camel Studio
- **Aurora Borealis** mannequin created by Silver Heights Florist

Fleurs de Villes WONDER continues at Fairmont Winnipeg, where visitors can see another beautiful mannequin, inspired by polar bear migration in Churchill.

“WONDER is an invitation to pause and marvel at the beauty and diversity of our world, interpreted through floral design,” said Karen Marshall, Co-founder of Fleurs de Villes. “From sweeping natural landscapes to delicate ecological moments, these installations reflect the talent and vision of Winnipeg’s floral artists. We’re excited to once again partner with The Leaf at Assiniboine Park and to share this new exhibition with audiences here first.”

Fleurs de Villes WONDER at The Leaf was made possible with support from Thor Plumbing & Heating Ltd., Minuk & Koster Denture Clinic, Fairmont Winnipeg, Gather Craft Kitchen & Bar, Levy Canada, and the Cipryk Family. Floral wholesale partner Petals West will supply the most beautiful varieties of fresh-cut flowers to florists, bringing their creative visions to bloom.

Tickets to see **Fleurs de Villes WONDER** and explore the biomes at The Leaf can be purchased in advance online or in person. Tickets are date and time specific. Due to capacity limitations and the anticipated popularity of this event, visitors are strongly encouraged to purchase their **Fleurs de Villes WONDER** tickets in advance to avoid disappointment. More information about the event is available on the Assiniboine Park Conservancy [website](#).

See attached backgrounder for more information about Fleurs de Villes, The Leaf, and the mannequins that will be on display.

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BACKGROUNDER

Fleurs de Villes WONDER at The Leaf

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About Fleurs de Villes

Founded in 2015 by lifestyle and media experts Tina Barkley and Karen Marshall, Fleurs de Villes (flowers of the cities) is a Vancouver, Canada-based luxury brand specializing in bespoke fresh-floral experiences and activations. Champions of experiential marketing in the form of large-scale floral installations, Fleurs de Villes is a floral storyteller, bringing to bloom brand legacies through flowers. Gardens, venues, and shopping districts come to life through fresh-floral place-making and retail engagement, plus collaborations with some of the world's biggest luxury brands and entertainment franchises. Fleurs de Villes has produced more than 115 unique luxury floral shows, uniting over 1100 floral artists in major destinations across Canada, the United States, England, Scotland and Australia. For more information, please visit fleursdevilles.com.

About The Leaf

Located in Winnipeg's historic Assiniboine Park and surrounded by approximately 30 acres of gardens and green space, The Leaf is the most significant horticultural development undertaken in Canada in the past 25 years. The attraction features state-of-the-art engineering and stunning architecture designed to create a transcendent visitor experience and optimal growing conditions for thousands of trees, shrubs, flowers, and other plant life flourishing in four indoor biomes: Hartley and Heather Richardson Tropical Biome, Mediterranean Biome, Babs Asper Display House, and Shirley Richardson Butterfly Garden. Visitor amenities include event and banquet facilities, indoor and outdoor programming spaces, a gift shop, a coffee bar, and a restaurant, Gather Craft Kitchen & Bar. Through horticultural and interpretive displays, education programs, on-site engagement, and special events, The Leaf explores the human connection with nature and the role plants play in shaping our communities and cultures.

About the WONDER Mannequins

Victoria Falls mannequin created by Osborne Florists

Inspired by Victoria Falls, the magnificent waterfall on the Zambezi River bordering Zambia and Zimbabwe, known for its dramatic spray and thunderous roar that creates a lush, misty environment for abundant flora.

Namib Desert mannequin created by Posh Pampas

Inspired by the vast Namib Desert in Namibia, one of the oldest deserts in the world, with striking sand dunes and rare desert-adapted plants that create dramatic contrasts of colour and texture.

Avenue of the Baobabs mannequin created by Meraki Fiori

Supported by Minuk & Koster Denture Clinic

Inspired by Madagascar's Avenue of the Baobabs, where towering, ancient trees rise like natural monuments, their massive trunks and sculptural silhouettes shaping a dramatic landscape.

Cliffs of Moher mannequin created by Prairie Creative

Inspired by Ireland's Cliffs of Moher, where rugged cliffs plunge into the Atlantic, waves crashing below, creating a breathtaking sense of raw, coastal majesty.

Jeita Grotto mannequin created by Flora Culture

Inspired by Lebanon's Jeita Grotto, a stunning series of limestone caves with shimmering stalactites and stalagmites that create a mysterious, ethereal environment.

Lavender Fields of Provence mannequin created by Bloom Floral Creative

Supported by Gather Craft Kitchen & Bar

Inspired by the lavender fields of Provence, France, known for their vibrant purple hues, fragrant blossoms, and serene, rolling landscapes.

Antelope Canyon mannequin created by Decor and More

Inspired by Arizona's Antelope Canyon, a narrow sandstone slot canyon with flowing, sculpted walls that glow in warm sunlight and shifting shadows.

Super Bloom mannequin created by Juniper Jayne Creative

Inspired by California's Super Bloom, when desert landscapes erupt in a kaleidoscope of wildflowers, turning arid terrain into a vibrant, living canvas.

Monarch Butterfly Migration mannequin created by Academy Florist

Supported by Thor Plumbing & Heating

Inspired by the annual monarch butterfly migration in Mexico, where millions of delicate orange and black butterflies travel thousands of miles, creating a mesmerizing spectacle.

Cherry Blossom Sakura Season mannequin created by The Floral Merchant

Supported by the Cipryk Family

Inspired by Japan's cherry blossom season, when delicate pink and white petals cover trees and landscapes in fleeting, breathtaking beauty.

Pamukkale Terraces mannequin created by Angela Moisey Creative

Inspired by Türkiye's Pamukkale terraces, white mineral-rich terraces formed over millennia, offering a surreal, cascading landscape of thermal pools.

Amazon Rainforest mannequin created by Geranium Lake Botanicals

Inspired by the Amazon Rainforest, the world's largest tropical rainforest, teeming with vibrant plant life and rich biodiversity.

Galápagos Islands mannequin created by Fache Florals

Inspired by Ecuador's Galápagos Islands, where unique wildlife and volcanic landscapes converge, creating an isolated ecosystem of striking, evolutionary wonder.

Great Barrier Reef mannequin created by The Camel Studio

Inspired by Australia's Great Barrier Reef, a vibrant underwater ecosystem of colourful coral formations and diverse marine life.

Aurora Borealis mannequin created by Silver Heights Florist

Supported by Fairmont Winnipeg

Inspired by Canada's Aurora Borealis, ethereal natural light displays paint the night sky with vivid, dancing colours.

Churchill Polar Bear Migration mannequin at Fairmont Winnipeg, created by Meraki Fiori

Supported by Fairmont Winnipeg

Inspired by Manitoba's Churchill Polar Bear migration, where these majestic creatures traverse icy landscapes, embodying endurance, strength, and the stark beauty of the north.