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GARDENS BY THE BAY'S CHILDREN'S FESTIVAL 2023: NATURE'S IMAGINARIUM

Supersized Installations at Supertree Grove's Nature-inspired Playground

Discover six flora and fauna installations – all based on plants and animals that be found at Gardens by the Bay – at the nature-inspired playground at Supertree Grove. Make a grand entrance by sliding into Supertree Grove via a 20m-long slide – the first time such a dramatic way to enter the area is possible.

Aside from play, families can embark on an activity trail involving hunting for details among the six installations. After completing an activity book, they can receive an exclusive Children's Festival: Nature's Imaginarium sticker sheet. Activity books can be redeemed for free from an on-site booth.

There is no admission charge to the nature-inspired playground.



Elephant Ear Fig

Found at Gardens by the Bay's World of Plants, the elephant ear fig has a symbiotic relationship with its pollinator, the fig wasp. The female fig wasp tunnels into a fig to lay her eggs, and spreads pollen she has gathered from the previous fig that was her home, to the flowers growing within the fig. The eggs hatch into male and females who mate. The females then fly out of the fig through tunnels made by the males, to find a new fig in which to lay eggs and spread pollen once again to start a new life cycle.



Honeybee

Honeybees are important pollinators that help flowers to reproduce, which in turn produces the fruits and vegetables we eat. Yet rising temperatures are making some areas difficult for them to live in, and flowers are also blooming before they are ready to feed on their nectar, affecting the honeybees' health and plant pollination.



Mushroom Cluster

Fungi can be found everywhere, on land, in the water, in the air and even in plants and animals. They can be gigantic, or so tiny they can only be seen through a microscope. They are useful as they break down fallen leaves and animal droppings, releasing nutrients into the soil and atmosphere. The fungi we are all familiar with is the mushroom.



Oriental Dwarf Kingfisher

Kingfishers and mangroves can be found at Gardens by the Bay's Kingfisher Wetlands. Kingfishers are found near water because they mainly feed on fish, which they dive into the water to hunt.



Painted Jezebel

The Painted Jezebel is a butterfly commonly found in Singapore, and this installation shows the life cycle and metamorphosis of the butterfly from egg to caterpillar, and then from pupa to butterfly.



Poison Dart Frog

Poison dart frogs, originally from the rainforests of Central and South America, can be found at Gardens by the Bay's Floral Fantasy. Their colourful appearance warns predators of their poisonous nature. Amidst the frogs is a ball pit resembling a pond filled with frog eggs.

Caterpillar Train Ride



The caterpillar train ride takes kids around the six flora and fauna installations at the nature-inspired playground at Supertree Grove. Through an audio guide, kids can learn more about the role each plays in the ecosystem.

In a collaboration with the Institute of Technical Education (ITE), students from Landscape-related courses lead the first tour of each weekday. This special tour takes place at 12pm on weekdays.

Details:

- Train rides will run non-stop from 12pm to 6pm daily.
- Tickets can be bought on-site at the train station opposite Supertree Observatory at Supertree Grove.
- Ticket prices: \$10 for children, \$12 for adults and \$20 for an adult-child bundle.
- Children need to be at least 1m to ride, and those six years and below need to be accompanied by an adult.

Additional Activities

Crafts and Games

Get creative with fun craft activities and let your imagination run wild! Arrange leaves to form your favourite creatures in Leaf Art, draw and create a cute Shrink Art keychain, or design a handheld fan to beat the heat in Fan Art. Also, stand a chance to take home some cute plushies at carnival game stations featuring Calvin the Caterpillar and his friends!



Outdoor TV and Movie Screenings and Live Performances

Relax and bond as a family with a variety of movies and TV programmes. In the day, catch global smash-hit series Bluey, Hey Duggee and Supertato (courtesy of CBeebies), as well as Lil Wild (courtesy of Mediacorp). Then, as the sun sets, enjoy light-hearted family movies inspired by the themes of Children's Festival. Lively acts and performances will also be on every day. Happening every day at Supertree Grove, all screenings and performances are free.

Art and Literary Street

Visit Art and Literary Street to learn about artworks, explore books and listen to stories that will inspire the little ones about nature. Catch these at National Gallery Singapore's Roving Art Truck, as well as MOLLY, the National Library Board's Mobile Library, as they return to the Gardens once again for Children's Festival, on June 10, 18 and 24. National Gallery Singapore's Travelling Art Carts will also be on-site daily. All activities are free.

Other themed weekend activities

- **Family Weekend (June 10 and 11)**
 - A line-up of fun-filled National Family Week activities awaits, such as the new life-sized Becky Bunny Bouncy playground.
 - At the TOUCH Family Festival, everyone can test their skills and complete activities to redeem a TOUCH prize bag.
 - Get up close and personal with popular CBeebies animated character Bluey in a multi-sensory Live Stage Show and take photos with her at a special meet-and-greet session.
 - Break a sweat and clock a good cardio workout as a whole family or put your motor skills and teamwork to the test in a parent-child mini activity circuit.

- **Pets Weekend (June 17 and 18)**
 - This weekend is for the animal lovers – bring your pets for a day out, take part in pet competitions or buy a little something for your beloved fur babies. And if adding a fur-iend to your family is part of the plan, consider dropping by a dog adoption drive by MercyLight Animal Rescue and Sanctuary Limited!

- **Nature Weekend (June 24 and 25)**
 - Bring the kids in their best nature-inspired outfits or join the Children's Festival Nature Hunt and search for hidden gems in the Gardens. Attractive prizes await! Free face and hand painting and photo booths round up the experience.

Visit www.gardensbythebay.com.sg/childrensfestival for details.