INVITATION TO SUBMIT ENTRY

2027 Perth Garden Show Pocket Garden Competition

Greenlife Industry WA, the Landscape Design Institute of WA and the Perth Garden Show are delighted to invite you to enter the 2027 Pocket Garden Competition at the Perth Garden Show.

The competition is a fantastic opportunity to showcase your garden design, landscaping and horticultural skills, share your creativity and gain valuable exposure to thousands of Western Australian garden enthusiasts.

Your garden will be on display throughout all three days of the Perth Garden Show, allowing visitors to admire your work and discover your design ideas. Each entry will also feature its own display signage, allowing you to explain your garden concept and promote your skills and services to the public.

The competition is open to horticultural students, aspiring garden designers, gardening enthusiasts and those new to the horticultural and landscaping industries (having worked within the industry for less than 8 years). It's a great opportunity to put your ideas into practice, build your portfolio and gain experience presenting your work to a large audience.

Pocket Gardens are designed to be achievable and accessible, with a standard size of 2.4m x 2.4m. For those looking to take on a larger challenge, the option to create a garden measuring up to 5m x 5m is also available.

Where plants and materials have been kindly supplied by our sponsors, designers are responsible for their care from collection through to return. Any supplied items that are damaged, lost or don't survive will need to be replaced or paid for by the designer. Thank you for helping us look after our sponsors' generosity.

Please refer to the following pages for full competition details, guidelines and entry forms. We look forward to seeing your creativity come to life at the 2027 Perth Garden Show!

The Pocket Garden Competition is proudly presented by the Landscape Design Institute of WA. If you have any questions or would like any more information, please contact Kylie Brinfield: kylie@ldi.org.au

DESIGN THEME: GARDEN PARTY

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Our pocket garden competition is an opportunity to inspire the public with creative, thoughtful design, and we are excited to announce the 2027 theme is Garden Party.

Each garden must contain a structural or sculptural element of some kind (a piece of furniture, a built structure, a sculptural or functional feature of some kind). How you bring the theme to life is entirely up to you — it could be traditional, playful, sculptural, natural, bold, or delightfully unexpected!

We invite you to create a space that inspires beautiful design, celebrates small gardens, tells a story, sparks curiosity, and offers a moment to pause and enjoy. Your design should showcase thoughtful planting and demonstrate how even the smallest gardens can provide beauty, joy, and interest.

Garden Space dimensions
2.4x2.4m square, 400mm high. NOTE: your garden must be fully within this space. It is important also to note that while that visitors will not be allowed to enter your garden during the Show, all elements must be safe and securely in place for the duration of the Show.

Signage
Each Garden will have a sign arranged by the Perth Garden Show. Please provide:

- A Name for your Garden
- A short "Design Intent" (add max 150 words to fit on the sign)
- We also encourage you to provide a plant list for the public to view, either as a sign on the garden, or a QR code linking to an online plant list.
- If a QR code is provided by the due date, it can be included on your main garden sign.

What we provide

- Corten steel garden surrounds (a 2.4x2.4m square, 400mm high)
- Soil & mulch
- Plants – we will link you to suppliers; you will order these directly and are responsible for returning them in good condition
- Access to water (to give your plants a drink)
- Logistics on bump in and out will be provided closer to the event.

What you are to provide

- Any additional hardscaping elements (please ask if you need assistance sourcing items and we will help where we can)
- Any additional plants not available from our suppliers
- A watering can (recommended)
- Plant list as early as possible to ensure your desired plants can be sourced and grown
- QR code or plant list
- Items to prop up your plants to the desired height (common solutions include empty nursery pots, crates etc).
- Everything you need to clean and maintain your plants and garden before the Show.
- All elements in your garden must be securely in place for the duration of the Show.

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NAME / BUSINESS NAME:

DISPLAY TITLE:

DESIGN CONCEPT:

KEY FEATURES (What elements will be included? e.g. plant selection, structures, pathways)

PLANT LIST (Key plant species and how they contribute to the design)

Any other notable design features (eg Water use, eco-friendly materials, longevity)

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Any additional on site requirements for installation?

Team members – if others will be helping with the set-up.

Agreement & Acknowledgements

- ☐ I confirm that this design is my original work.
- ☐ I understand and agree to abide by the competition guidelines and deadlines.
- ☐ I acknowledge that I am responsible for installation and removal of my display.

Signature:

Date:

Important Items To Note

- A plan of design including planting plan, plant species and quantities required must be included with this entry form.
- Entrants are responsible for the installation and removal of the display.
- Deadline for submissions is Friday 29 January 2027 at 5pm.
- Entry forms and plans to be sent to: karen@premevents.com.au

SHOW GARDENS TERMS AND CONDITIONS

The Show Gardens are designed to inspire and educate visitors by showcasing excellence in landscape design, planting, and innovation. These gardens are intended as display-only exhibits and are not retail trading sites.

1. Display-Only Conditions

- Static display only: No direct selling or cash transactions are permitted within the Show Garden area during show hours.
- Sales enquiries: Designers and exhibitors are encouraged to share contact details or links for follow-up sales or services (e.g. via QR codes or brochures).
- End-of-show exception: Limited sales or plant clearances may occur only during the final few hours on Sunday afternoon, after approval from event management.

2. Signage, Branding and Garden Build

- Primary signage: Each Show Garden may display one main sign identifying the garden name, designer, and participating businesses (e.g. plant suppliers, landscape contractors, sponsors).
- Size limit: Total signage area should not exceed 1.5 m² in total footprint.
- Style: Signage should be professionally presented and in keeping with the design aesthetic of the garden. Handwritten or promotional banner-style signs are not permitted.
- QR codes: Permitted for visitors to access design information, plant lists, or business contact pages.

Show Garden Build Guidelines:

It is preferred that display gardens are built with no digging. No turf is to be removed and turf and soil to be returned to pre-existing condition following the completion of the event. All sand, gravel, rocks, and other building materials must be contained on the site and placed on a permeable membrane such as weed mat/shade cloth/jute etc and all materials to be removed from the show garden site at completion of the event.
Grounds must be reinstated to peak condition within two days of the event's completion. Any cleanup not completed within this timeframe will be invoiced to the installing company.
All show garden designs must be submitted for approval to Premiere Events prior to installation.

3. Retail and Product Promotion

- No retail activity: Selling or taking payment on site is not permitted within the Design Hub or Show Garden precincts.
- Retail display option: Businesses wishing to sell products or plants are encouraged to book a separate retail site within the main exhibition area. This ensures a clear distinction between display and sales spaces.

4. Professional Conduct

- Exhibitors must maintain their garden presentation for the full duration of the event.
- Staff or volunteers should be available to engage with visitors, but conversations should remain informative rather than sales-focused.
- All promotional materials distributed from the site should align with the event's environmental and sustainability standards.