

MEDIA STATEMENT

Canada Blooms Suspends Operations

TORONTO, ON (March 12, 2020) – Canada Blooms, Canada's largest flower and garden festival, is suspending its 2020 show.

On the recommendation of Ontario Chief Medical Officer Dr. David Williams and Toronto Public Health and in cooperation with the Enercare Centre and BILD, owner of the Home Show, Canada Blooms organizers have decided to suspend the Festival in interest of public health and safety.

It is the first time since its founding 24 years ago that Canada Blooms has had to suspend operations.

At the time of the decision, Ontario had 59 confirmed cases of COVID-19. In the interest of contributing to Ontario's effort to contain the spread of COVID-19, this is the unfortunate, but necessary decision.

The health and safety of the guests and exhibitors continues to be the main priority for Canada Blooms.

Show guests who have pre-purchased tickets online, please visit https://torontohomeshows.com for more information.

Canada Blooms is committed to delivering an exceptional event for our exhibitors and guests and looks forward to another colourful and vibrant festival in 2021.

For more information about Canada Blooms please visit <u>canadablooms.com</u>. Follow Canada Blooms on Twitter <u>@CanadaBlooms</u> and Like it on <u>Facebook</u>.

About Canada Blooms

Now entering its 24th year, Canada Blooms was founded by Landscape Ontario and The Garden Club of Toronto. Each year it is supported by a committed group of partners, sponsors and volunteers. Canada Blooms has been named One of Ontario's Top 100 Events by Festivals and Events Ontario and One of North America's Top 100 Events by the American Bus Association.

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