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And Now for the Stars of the Show ...

Let's Go to the Movies with the feature gardens at Canada Blooms

TORONTO, Ont. — From beloved children's classics to award-winning fare, the silver screen comes alive in the feature gardens at this year's Canada Blooms.

Always the stars of the show, the feature gardens are beautifully designed and landscaped concepts showcasing the unique elements that can be incorporated in a backyard space to make it truly extraordinary. Drawing inspiration from the theme of Canada Blooms 2018, Let's Go to the Movies, this year's gardens bring together hardscaping with water, with plants and flowers adding bursts of colour and fragrance to the Enercare Centre at Exhibition Place in Toronto.

"The feature gardens at Canada Blooms are truly a spectacle worthy of the Hollywood big screen," says Terry Caddo, General Manager of Canada Blooms. "The designs are innovative and creative, with unparalleled execution in landscaping and bringing the garden to life."

This year's feature gardens include:

- **Jungle Book** — Inspired by the classic Disney adaptation of the Rudyard Kiplin tale with a Canadian twist. Stroll through this garden designed and built by Landscape by Evergreen & Elite Environments as characters from the story look down on you.
- **Star Trek Garden** — Boldly go where no plant has gone before. This small-space garden by Melanie Rekola Landscape Design pushes the final frontier.
- **Friendly Garden** — Enjoy unique artwork in old European stone in this garden by Royalstone Design Inc.
- **Movies by the Pool** — A partnership of Aquaspa Pools Landscape & Design and Royal Stone Landscaping & Design has pulled together a magnificent backyard movie theatre with a nod to the Hollywood Walk of Fame.
- **Midnight in Paris** — This garden inspired by the Oscar-winning film evokes a life of romantic imagination with an appreciation of landscape artistry. It is designed and built by Julie Moore Modern Landscape Designers and TriMatrix Construction.
- **Alice** — The clock is ticking for you to join Alice in Wonderland for a "frabjous" tea party and take an unforgettable journey in this whimsical small-space garden by Greer Design Group.
- **This is Our Movie** — Eschewing sitting indoors, the Jackson Pond garden *is* the movie — no commercials, no interruptions. Just friends and family watching the production of Mother Nature.



- **An Inconvenient Garden** — Al Gore’s documentary drew our attention to the harm we are causing our planet. This Mountainhill Landscape garden pays homage to the strain we are placing on the Earth’s resources.
- **Oscars After Party** — Always swanky affairs. The Bancheri Bros. garden speaks to the class and elegance of the Oscars, the stars who grace the red carpet and the parties to which they retreat after the formalities are complete.
- **Anticipation** — Movie marathons are a great way for cinephiles to spend their time. They are even better when done outdoors, and Vaughan Landscaping has put together the space to do just that.
- **Movie Night in Technicolour** — Just because you live in an apartment or condo doesn’t mean you can’t enjoy the outdoors. Lindy Lawrence, Adele Bakhos and Sylvia Szot have designed the perfect outdoor theatre for your balcony.
- **... Never Forgotten** — Not so much a movie-themed garden, but an important one nonetheless. Pulled together by Genoscape for the Highway of Heroes, this is a living tribute to Canada’s fallen soldiers.
- **Dig Safe Garden** — Always know what’s beneath the surface before digging in. This educational garden by Sean James & Bruce Wilson Landscaping underscores the importance of knowing where your live utilities are before digging.
- **Fusion Oasis Under the Stars** — One of the best ways to preserve our precious water resources is to keep the water on site. Landscape Ontario in partnership with Parklane Landscapes present this fusion garden that prevents stormwater runoff.

In all, more than 25 feature, small space, balcony and floral gardens will be on display at Canada Blooms this year, in addition to the creations in the Toronto Flower Show.

Canada Blooms will also include a Tetley Tea Garden, garden marketplace, Ontario Grower’s Grove, hundreds of hours of gardening seminars and workshops and a Colio Wine Lounge.

Co-located with the National Home Show, Canada Blooms takes place March 9th to 18th, 2018, at the Enercare Centre at Exhibition Place in Toronto. For more information or for tickets, please visit canadablooms.com. Follow Canada Blooms on Twitter [@CanadaBlooms](https://twitter.com/CanadaBlooms) and Like it on [Facebook](https://www.facebook.com/CanadaBlooms).

About Canada Blooms

Canada Blooms is an annual world-class festival that connects people to the joys and benefits of nature through experiences with gardens and flowers by promoting, educating, inspiring and celebrating all aspects of horticulture. A not-for-profit organization that gives back to the community throughout the year by funding community garden projects around Ontario, Canada Blooms is also dedicated to providing the community with horticulture expertise, education and resources on an ongoing basis.

Now in its 22nd 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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