

Organisation Structure

Chief Executive Officer
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Dr Tan Wee Kiat

Deputy Chief Executive Officer
Planning & Resource Management Department

Ms Peggy Chong

Director
Policy & Planning

Sim Cheng Hai

Director
Research

Sim Cheng Hai
(Covering)

Director
Corporate Development

Chia Seng Jiang

Director
Resource Management

Felix Loh
(Acting)

Director
Singapore
Botanic Gardens

Dr Chin See Chung

Director
Industry

Teva Raj

Assistant Director
Physical Planning
Ms Kim Goh

Assistant Director
Research
Ms Ong Chui Leng

Assistant Director
Organisation
Development
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Financial Controller
Finance
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Deputy Director
SBG Management
& Development
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Assistant Director
Strategic Policy
Vacant

Assistant Director
Research
Dr Tan Puay Yok

Assistant Director
Communications
Ms Lee Pin Pin

Assistant Director
Legal
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Assistant Director/
Botanical Research,
Keeper/Herbarium
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Manpower Development
Yong Fook Chyi

Assistant Director
Knowledge
Management & IT
Mrs Tan-Yan Oi Chee

Assistant Director
Human Resource
Ms Ivy Liew

Assistant Director
Living Collections
Alan Tan Chye Soon
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Assistant Director
Business Strategies
Vacant

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Assistant Director/
Horticulture Research
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& Micropropagation)
Dr Lim-Ho Chee Len

Assistant Director
Visitor Management
& Education
Vacant

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Parks

Kong Yit San

Director
Streetscape

Simon Longman

Director
Conservation

Wong Tuan Wah

Director
Parks Business

Kong Yit San

Director
Parks Development

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Director
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City Pte Ltd)*

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Deputy Director
Parks (East)

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(Covering)

Assistant Director
Streetscape (East)

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Curator
Istana

Koh Soon Kiong

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Parks (South)

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Assistant Director
Streetscape (West)

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Central Nature Reserve

Ms Sharon Chan

Deputy Director
Parks (West)

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Wetland Reserve

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Assistant Director
Pulau Ubin

Robert Teo

Assistant Director
Nursery

Mrs Kartini Omar-Hor



The Year at a Glance

1 HE Ricardo Lagos, President of Republic of Chile, with NParks' CEO, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, during a tour of the National Orchid Garden.

2 Minister for Defence, Mr Teo Chee Hean, enjoying the performances at the launch of the upgraded Tiong Bahru Park.

3 "The Merlion's Garden" at LAMAN 2004.

| April 2004 | Adoption of Hindhede Park by Ngee Ann Polytechnic Ngee Ann Polytechnic's Building and Environment Green Volunteers adopted Hindhede Nature Park on 17 April. To mark the occasion, the students conducted the Native Plant Hunt for guests during the adoption ceremony.

| May 2004 | Visit by President of Republic of Chile HE Ricardo Lagos, President of Republic of Chile, visited the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 1 May. *Dendrobium* Ricardo Lagos was named in His Excellency's honour.

| June 2004 | Visit by Prime Minister, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan An orchid hybrid was named *Dendrobium* Faisal El-Fayez to commemorate the visit by HE Faisal El-Fayez, Prime Minister, Hashemite Kingdom of Jordan, to the Singapore Botanic Gardens, on 19 June.

| June 2004 | Official Opening of Upgraded Tiong Bahru Park The redeveloped 3-ha regional park featuring amenities such as an adventure-themed playground, elderly fitness corner and bird-singing

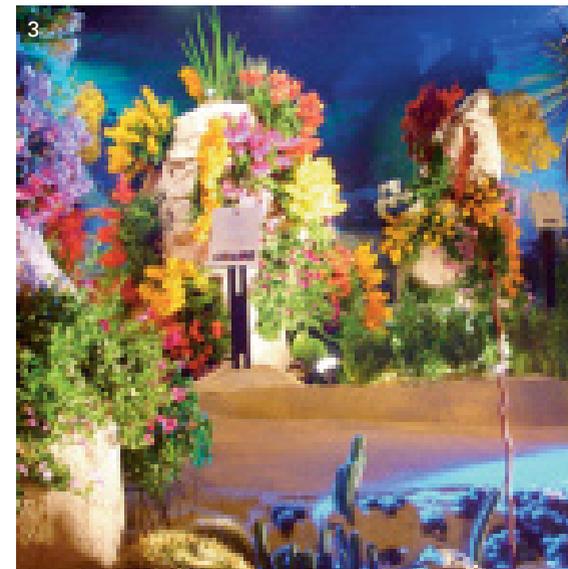
corner was officially opened on 27 June. The event was graced by Mr Teo Chee Hean, Minister for Defence.

| July 2004 | Dedication of Heritage Trees The Garden City Fund dedicated Heritage Trees to six donors for their contributions to the Garden City. The donors included Lady Yuen-Peng McNeice, Shaw Foundation, The Hongkong and Shanghai Banking Corporation, Hotel Properties Limited, Chevron Oronite and ST Microelectronics. The dedication ceremony was held on 1 July and graced by Minister for Community Development, Youth and Sports and Second Minister for Trade and Industry, Dr Vivian Balakrishnan¹.

| July 2004 | NParks Wins Awards at LAMAN 2004: Landscaping & Gardening Festival NParks won Gold for Theme and Silver for Starlight (night lighting) at LAMAN 2004 which was held in Malaysia on 17 – 25 July.

| July 2004 | Visit by Prime Minister, State of Kuwait *Dendrobium* Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed was

¹Then Minister of State for Trade and Industry and National Development.



named after HH Sheikh Sabah Al-Ahmed, Prime Minister, State of Kuwait, during his visit to the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 20 July.

| July 2004 | Visit by Crown Prince of Perak, Malaysia An orchid hybrid, *Dendrobium* Raja Nazrin, was named during the visit of HRH Raja Nazrin, Crown Prince of Perak, Malaysia, to the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 27 July.

| August 2004 | Arboriculture Seminar Some 60 certified arborists from the International Society of Arborists (ISA) gathered for a three-day seminar conducted by speakers from the Bartlett Tree Research Laboratory, Charlotte, North Carolina, USA. The seminar was aimed at increasing the knowledge of local arborists and broadening their perspectives on new and innovative arboriculture research findings and practices.

| September 2004 | World Stamp Exhibition NParks, together with HSBC, created a lush mini garden city for the World Stamp Exhibition's Nature Gallery Booth. Titled "Our Living World", a section of the booth was dedicated to "The Garden City Story" that related the milestones of Singapore's greening efforts over the last four decades.

| October 2004 | Unveiling of HSBC Care-For-Nature Chek Jawa Stamp Series and Adoption of Chek Jawa by HSBC The HSBC Care-For-Nature Chek Jawa Stamp Series was unveiled by Minister for National Development, Mr Mah Bow Tan, on 16 October. The event also marked the adoption of Chek Jawa by HSBC.

| October 2004 | Visit by Earl of Wessex *Aerides* Edward was named after HRH Prince Edward during his visit to the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 3 October.

| October 2004 | Visit by Prime Minister, Ireland HE Bertie Ahern, Prime Minister, Ireland, visited the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 12 October. *Mokara* Bertie Ahern was named in His Excellency's honour.

| October 2004 | Visit by Queen, Norway To commemorate the visit by HM Sonja, Queen, Norway, to the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 28 October, *Dendrobium* Sonja was named in Her Majesty's honour.

4 Young visitors to the World Stamp Exhibition's Nature Gallery Booth learning about our Garden City.

5 Minister for National Development, Mr Mah Bow Tan, was Guest-of-Honour at the Launch of the HSBC Care-For-Nature Chek Jawa Stamp Series.

6 The Earl of Wessex with NParks' CEO, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, during his visit to the Singapore Botanic Gardens.



7 Prime Minister Lee Hsien Loong planted a *Sindora wallichii* at the Launch of Clean and Green Week.

8 NParks' CEO, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, received the American Orchid Society's highest award from the Society's Honorary Vice President and Trustee, Mr Peter Furniss.

9 Minister for National Development, Mr Mah Bow Tan, viewing the art exhibition staged by students of Siglap Secondary School during the launch of Evolution Garden.

| November 2004 | Launch of HSBC TreeTop Walk The first of its kind in Singapore and in the region, this 250-m suspension bridge was launched by Mrs Lim Hwee Hua, Minister of State for Finance and Transport, on 5 November.

| November 2004 | Launch of Novena Park Launched by Mr Khaw Boon Wan, Minister for Health and MP for Tanjong Pagar GRC, on 14 November, the 0.17-ha park provides residents with a venue for community bonding.

| November 2004 | Clean & Green Week Clean and Green Week was held from 6 – 13 November. In all, 81 constituencies led by grassroots advisors planted more than 800 trees. Some 200,000 participants also took part in over 270 activities aimed at encouraging community involvement to sustain our Garden City.

| December 2004 | Launch of Nature Cove Nature Cove is a resource room catering to students and visitors to the Sungei Buloh Wetland Reserve. Sponsored by the SPH Foundation, Nature Cove was launched by Prof Leo Tan, Chairman, NParks on 4 December.

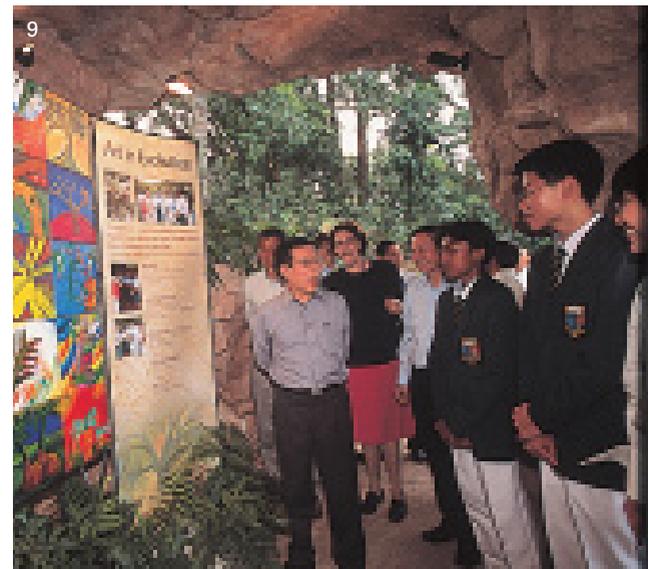
| January 2005 | Dr Tan Wee Kiat receives American Orchid Society's Gold Medal of Achievement Award NParks CEO, Dr Tan Wee Kiat, was

honoured with the American Orchid Society's Gold Medal of Achievement Award on 14 January. The Award is the Society's highest honour that recognises individuals for life-long outstanding service to the orchid world.

| February 2005 | Launch of Evolution Garden February 14 marked the launch of the Evolution Garden at the Singapore Botanic Gardens by Mr Mah Bow Tan, Minister for National Development. The 1.5-ha garden tells the story of the evolution of plants during Earth's geological history.

| February 2005 | Launch of "Begonias of Peninsular Malaysia" The first of its kind for begonias in the world, "Begonias of Peninsular Malaysia" features all 52 indigenous species of Peninsular Malaysia. The book is the outcome of 30 years' interest in wild begonias for author Dr Ruth Kiew, Keeper of the Herbarium and Library and Assistant Director of Botanical Research.

| February 2005 | Visit by First Lady of the Republic of Indonesia *Dendrobium* Susilo Bambang Yudhoyono 'Ani' was named in honour of Mrs Ani Bambang Yudhoyono, First Lady of the Republic of Indonesia, who visited the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 15 February.



| March 2005 | Skyrise Greening Seminar

Organised to share the findings of the pilot green roof project between NParks and the Housing and Development Board, the seminar was attended by some 400 participants including landscape architects, horticulturists, developers and academics. The event was graced by Mr Lim Swee Say, Second Minister for National Development.

| March 2005 | Singapore Wins Bid to host World Orchid Conference in 2011 Singapore overcame strong competition to win the bid to host the 20th World Orchid Conference (WOC) in 2011. A Singapore delegation comprising representatives from NParks and the Orchid Society of Southeast Asia made a joint presentation to the WOC Site Selection Committee at the 18th World Orchid Conference in Dijon, France.

| March 2005 | Singapore Wins Gold Medal at World Orchid Conference in Dijon, France Singapore's display of orchid plants and cut flowers complemented by the use of dance figurines and accessories won a gold medal at the World Orchid Conference. The Conference Show was held in Dijon, France from 11 – 20 March 2005. Singapore also garnered some 20 prizes for orchid hybrids in the Individual Plants Category.

| March 2005 | Dr Tan Wee Kiat Receives Fellowship of OSSEA Award Dr Tan Wee Kiat, CEO, NParks, was awarded the prestigious Fellowship of OSSEA Award. The award is presented by the Orchid Society of Southeast Asia to individuals who have made important and visible contributions to the field of Orchidology.

| March 2005 | Launch of Tunnels, Cannon and History Guidebook at Labrador Park Labrador Park's historical heritage was enhanced with the launch of two tunnels and a six-inch cannon on 11 March 2005. To complete the learning experience for students and visitors, guided walks as well as a history guidebook of Labrador Park were also launched. The occasion was graced by Mr Mah Bow Tan, Minister for National Development.

| March 2005 | Visit by Prime Minister, The People's Republic of Bangladesh *Dendrobium* Begum Khaleda Zia was named to commemorate HE Begum Khaleda Zia's visit to the Singapore Botanic Gardens on 21 March.

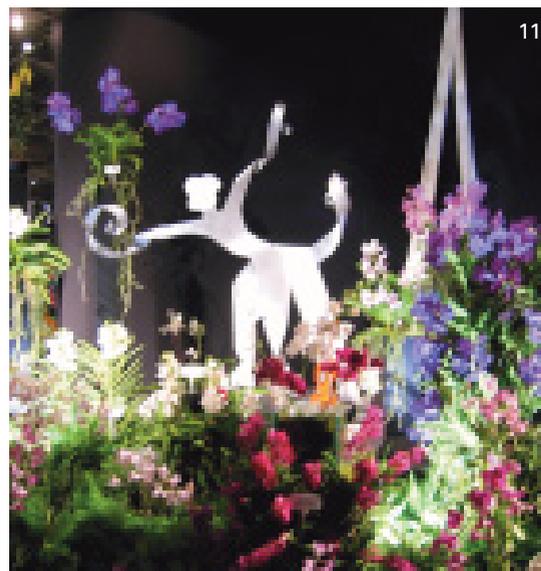
10 Second Minister for National Development, Mr Lim Swee Say, viewing the trade exhibits at the Skyrise Greening Seminar.

11 Singapore's display at the 18th World Orchid Conference was titled "Orchids Speak the Language of Dance".

12 The launch of the tunnels and cannon which form part of a new historical trail at Labrador Park was graced by Mr Mah Bow Tan, Minister for National Development.



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