

**CIB Awards 2021 (Educational Institutions & Organisations)
Terms and Conditions**

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Photo Competition
(Open Category)**

The CIB awards (Educational Institutions and Organisations) photo competition (“Competition”) is organised by the National Parks Board (“the Organiser”). By participating in the Competition, the participating Group (as defined below) agrees to abide by these terms and conditions (as may be amended from time to time). These terms and conditions (“Terms and Conditions”) bind the Group as a whole, as well as each and every single member of the group (“Member”).

1. Entry / Eligibility

- a) This Competition is open to all **Community in Bloom (CIB) gardening groups** that are registered with or known to the Organiser (“Group”) under the educational institutions and organisations categories.
- b) To avoid doubt, any group that is not registered with or known to the Organiser shall be disqualified from the Competition. The Organiser reserves the sole and absolute right to determine the status of a Group.
- c) Entry to this Competition is free.
- d) Any Member of a Group below the age of 18 as of 1 January 2021 (“Minor Member”) must obtain the consent of his or her parent or legal guardian before participating in this Competition.
- e) The Organiser reserves the sole and absolute right to exclude or disqualify any Group and/or Member from participating in this Competition, and/or further exclude and/or disqualify any submission made by the Group and/or Member.

2. Competition categories and deadlines

- a) The deadline for submission is 1800 hours on 12 April 2021.
- b) Entries received after the closing date and time will not be accepted.

3. Submission of Entries

- a) Each Group may submit a maximum of five (5) photographs (with all photographs collectively known as an “Entry”).
- b) Each Group can only submit one Entry.
- c) Each photograph forming part of the Entry must be:
 1. submitted digitally in JPEG format; and
 2. no larger than 3 MB in JPEG format.
- d) All Entries must be submitted online at <https://go.gov.sg/ciba2021registration>. Entries submitted through other means will be rejected.
- e) All Entries should be accompanied by a completed registration form with the following information:
 1. Full name of Group
 2. Address in Singapore
 3. Contact number
 4. Email address
 5. Location where each photograph is taken

6. Caption for each entry (not more than 50 words per entry).
- f) Only Entries with complete and accurate information on the registration form shall be eligible for the Competition.
 - g) If a person above the age of 18 is registering on behalf of any Minor Member, the person must indicate on the registration form that the consent of the parent / guardian of the Minor Member has been obtained.

4. Shortlisted Groups

- a) Groups that have been shortlisted will be notified by email and be asked to submit:
 - 1. the original photograph; or
 - 2. the highest image quality of the photograph available, which must have a minimum 3800 pixels on its longest side.
- b) Shortlisted participating groups who fail to submit the photograph as required may be disqualified from the Competition.

5. Judging

- a) The judging panel will consist of the Organiser and its supporting partners for this Competition.
- b) Each Group is entitled to win only one prize.
- c) Should the quality of Entries fall below the required standard, the Organiser reserves the right not to award any prizes.
- d) All decisions made by the judges are final. No correspondence will be entertained regarding the judges' decision.

6. Winners and Prizes

- a) The prizes for winning Groups (singularly known as "Winner" and collectively known as "Winners") are as follows:
 - 1. For Winners in the following Achievement Bands:
 - i. Platinum: \$300 worth of gardening vouchers
 - ii. Gold: \$200 worth of gardening vouchers
 - iii. Silver: \$100 worth of gardening vouchers
 - iv. Bronze: \$50 worth of gardening vouchers
 - 2. For Winners who have won the Diamond Award:
 - i. \$1,000 in cash
 - ii. \$1,000 worth of gardening vouchers
 - 3. For Winners who have won the CIB Gardens of the Year Award:
 - i. \$500 worth of gardening vouchers
 - 4. Special Achievement Ribbons:
 - i. Outstanding Educational Community Garden
 - ii. Outstanding Environmentally Friendly, Biodiversity Community Garden
 - iii. Outstanding Edibles – Growing Community Garden
 - iv. Outstanding Community Engagement Garden
 - v. Outstanding Ornamental Garden
- b) The Organiser reserves the right to change, add or substitute the prizes. Prizes which are not collected by the deadline set by the Organiser shall be disposed by the organiser as it deems fit.
- c) The Organiser will notify all Winners through such channel as it deems fit, and in this regard, reserves the sole and absolute discretion to post the Winners' name and the winning Entries on the Organiser's Corporate website, the Competition website or such other platform as the Organiser deems fit.

- d) Winning Entries may be exhibited on the Organiser's corporate website, the Competition website and/or a photo exhibition, as the Organiser may decide in its sole discretion.
- e) Winning Groups and/or individual Member(s) of the Group may be interviewed by the Organiser and/or the media. All Winners (including Members' names) consent to public disclosure of their names and the results of the competition.
- f) The Organiser reserves the right to request the Winner(s) to provide proof of identity and age and/or eligibility (if required) in order to claim a prize. Proof of identification and entry considered suitable for verification is at the discretion of the Organiser. In the event that a Winner cannot provide suitable proof, the Winner will forfeit the prize in whole and no substitute will be offered.
- g) Prizes are non-transferable, non-refundable and non-exchangeable and subject to other terms and conditions as may be imposed by the Organiser. The Organiser reserves the right to substitute prizes where appropriate and the Organiser accepts no responsibility for any variation in the prizes.

7. Organiser's rights

- a) The Organiser reserves the right to cancel or suspend the Competition, disqualify and/or withhold prizes from Groups (including its Members) breaching any of these terms and conditions, without prior notice to the Groups or without first informing the Groups, and without being liable in any way whatsoever for any loss, expense, costs, damages or otherwise suffered or incurred by the Groups from such disqualification or withholding.
- b) The Organiser reserves the right to revise these Terms and Conditions at any time without prior notice being given, and the Groups shall be taken to have agreed to the same.
- c) The Organiser does not make any representations or accept any responsibility as to the accuracy of the information relating to the Competition found on any source whatsoever that is outside the Organiser's corporate website.

8. Image and Contest Criteria

- a) Any photograph submitted as part of the Group's Entry must be the Group's own work (i.e. all photographs must have been taken by the Group (through its Members) and must be taken in Singapore.
- b) Photographs that have won prizes in other photography competitions, or have been previously used or are intended to be used for any kind of commercial purposes, must not be submitted.
- c) Digital manipulation that distorts the reality of the photographs is strictly prohibited. Only basic enhancements such as sharpening, contrast and brightness adjustment, converting colour images to black and white are allowed.
- d) Entries submitted for this Competition shall not contain defamatory, libellous, offensive, violent, infringing, obscene, pornographic, sexual, indecent or unlawful material or information that violate local laws and regulations, or as may be determined by the Organiser in its sole discretion.
- e) Any Entry which is incomplete, illegible, incomprehensible or not received by the Organiser by the deadline will be deemed void.
- f) The Organiser reserves the absolute right to disqualify an Entry and/or remove photographs forming part of an Entry that does not comply with these terms and conditions or are deemed to be of poor quality or inappropriate by the Organiser, and where necessary, such entry or work shall be removed from the Organiser and where necessary, such entry or work shall be removed from the Organiser's and/or the Competition's website. False and/or deceptive Entries or works shall also render those Entries or works ineligible.

9. Intellectual Property

- a) By participating in this Competition, the Group (including its Members) represents and warrants that:
 1. he is / she is / they are the sole owner of all intellectual property rights (including copyright) and other proprietary rights to the photographs, images, content of the caption, and any creative work and materials forming the Entries that are entered the Competition. In the event that any third party alleges that any such submission, entry or work infringes the copyright or any other proprietary right of such third party, the Group (including its Members) agrees and undertakes to, at all times, indemnify, keep indemnified and hold the Organiser harmless against all losses (including direct, indirect, incidental and consequential losses), damages, injuries, demands, proceedings, claims, fees (including all legal fees between solicitor and client or otherwise on a full indemnity basis) actions, recoveries, judgment or execution, howsoever it may have been cause or arose or resulted from; and
 2. he / she / they have not licenced or assigned any copyright or intellectual property right in his / her / their Entries or work to any third party anywhere in the world.
- b) The Group retains full copyright of the Materials entered for the Competition.
- c) It is the legal responsibility of the participating groups, not the Organiser of the Competition, to ensure compliance with all ownership and copyright requirements to reproduce the Entries for the Competition.
- d) The Group grants the Organiser a non-exclusive, perpetual, royalty-free and transferable right to use, reproduce, edit or distribute any Materials submitted for the Competition in any media format and any media channels as deemed fit by the organiser, for the purposes of promoting the Competition or the causes that the Organiser stands for such as:
 1. Awareness of the Competition; and
 2. Promotion of Nature in Singapore.
- e) The Group further grants the Organiser the right to grant a sub-licence to any public agencies or ministry that the Organiser may collaborate with for the purposes of paragraph 9(d).
- f) Entries that do not fulfil the above criteria will be deemed ineligible and will be disqualified.
- g) Where of the Group's Entries are published or displayed by the Organiser, the Group will be credited.

The Organiser

- h) The Organiser reserves the right to use, reproduce, edit and distribute the Entries for publication and/or display in any media format and any media channels without obtaining further prior permission and payment of any fees or royalty to a Group. The Entries may be used for the following purposes:
 1. Operating, administering and promoting the Competition (whether before, during and after the Competition);
 2. Displaying the Entries on the Competition website and/or the Organiser websites;
 3. Issuing a media release or making media pitches with the;
 4. Usage of the Entries during the Organiser's roadshows, exhibitions and in publications both printed and online, for purposes which are non-profit in nature, such as for the promotion of nature awareness in Singapore.

10. Liability

- a) The Organiser will exercise care in handling the Entries submitted. However, they will not be liable for any loss of or damage to the Entries howsoever caused.
- b) The Group shall assume and accept all risks in respect of loss, injury, damage or liability which may arise as a result of or in connection to the Group's participation in the Competition and shall not hold the organiser responsible for any loss, damage, expense and cost which the Group (including its members) may sustain or incur as a result of participating in this Competition, except for liability which cannot be excluded by law.
- c) The Group shall defend, fully indemnify and hold the Organiser and its employees and agents harmless from and against:
 - i. All liabilities, damages, losses, costs (including legal costs on a full indemnity basis) and expenses arising from any claims, demands, actions, proceedings, judgment or execution which the Organiser, its employees or agents may suffer or incur from or in connection to the Group's participation in the Competition and
 - ii. Any claims, demands, actions, proceedings, judgment or execution, arising from infringement or alleged infringement of any copyright or other intellectual property right or violation of confidentiality in the Entries produced, reproduced or submitted the Competition.

11. Use of information and publicity

- a) The Organiser reserves the right to use the identification, images and comments of a Group or a Winner (including its Members) relating to their experience during the Competition for the purpose of any announcement of the Winner, or for promotional, marketing or publicity purposes in any media without any fee being paid.
- b) It is a condition precedent in this Competition that a participating Group (including its Members) consents to the information he/she/they submit with their Entry, including and not limited to personal contact information, social media network handles, publicly accessible data via the application programming interfaces (APIs) or the said social network handles an being entered into a database. The Organiser may use this information to facilitate the mechanics of any contest.
- c) If necessary, the Organiser may share any data obtained from the Competition with other Government agencies (or non-Government entities which have been authorised to carry out specific services of the Organiser), in order to serve the Member in the most efficient and effective way, unless such sharing is prohibited by legislation.
- d) To safeguard Members' personal data, all electronic storage and transmission of personal data are secured with appropriate security technologies.

12. General Law and Disclaimer

- a) In the event of any disparity in the interpretation of the terms and conditions, the Organiser's version will prevail. Should any dispute arise in connection with the Competition or these Terms and Conditions, the decision of the Organiser is final.
- b) These Terms and Conditions shall be governed by and construed in accordance with the laws of the Republic of Singapore for every purpose.

For more information, please log on to CIB Awards 2021 (Education Institutions & Organisations) website at www.nparks.gov.sg/ciba2021.